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Use of Instructional Technologies to Enhance Pedagogy

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Instructional Strategy

- Case Studies
- Journal Writing
- Discussion Boards on the Web.

Facilitating Higher Order Thinking

- Case Study Analysis
- From Summary to Analysis, Evaluation, Application
- Posting Outstanding Examples on Class Website
 - To explore different possibilities
- Benchmark – Outstanding Performance, Not “Average” performance.
 - Motivation is not about the grade.
 - Focus on the process, not the outcome (grade).

Case Studies

- First Case Study
 - 80% Summary, 20% Analysis, Evaluation, Application
 - Best Practice – 10% Summary (1 sentence). 90% Evaluation, Analysis, Application
- Third Case Study
 - 40% Summary; 60% Application, Analysis, Evaluation
 - From “Playing it Safe” to “Taking a Risk”
 - Marked improvement.

Outstanding Examples

- Here is an outstanding essay on Case 1 - Notice that only 1 sentence is used to summarize the case itself.
- Organized:
- Perspectives of Key Characters
- Suggested Solutions
- 1 Student Used the Rubric to organize her paper.
 - A “positive outlier,” exceptionally good.

Assessment Techniques

- Exams
- Case Study Write-Ups
- Case Study Rubric
- Oral Presentations
- Journals – Did not grade.

Journal Entry

- Student Impressions / Instructor Evaluation
- March 25
- how am I supposed to use solver (what is that anyways?). I definitely spent more than 2 hours (should not be) doing the homework because I did not understand how to use excel to do those forecasting methods.

Exam Question – Multiple Choice

- Scheduling in the OR is similar to restaurant scheduling in all of the following ways, EXCEPT:
- A) Best customers get first choice of tables,
- B) etc.
- Question goes beyond remembering (Stage 1) to comparing, contrasting, analyzing

Technology

- Blackboard – Discussion Groups
- You-Tube Videos –Students like these.
 - Showed people in the field,
 - CEOs testifying under oath
- Took digital photographs of all my students.



Importance of Student Photos

- Learned everyone's name quickly
- Make personal connection
- Removes anonymity (especially in a large class)
- Sign-In Sheet Included Pictures of All students
 - They learned each other's name
- Kept confidential,
- Feedback: "Friendly and accessible faculty"

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Questions?

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