

Open Question: Drawbacks of Flipped Learning

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Open Question: What suggestions do you have for improving the flipped classes and what drawbacks did you perceive?

Coding Strategie

In-Class Time

- Increase time for active learning or problem solving
- Increase effectiveness or relevancy of problems; grade them
- Provide appropriate amount of lecture or content review
- Have more instructor-types during class to assist
- Synchronize class activity and video content

Load, Burden, Stressors

- Insufficient time to complete out-of-class activities
- Increased work load
- Increased time burden
- Concerns over grades or impacts to the grade
- Accountability quizzes (including surprise)

Specific to Course or Course's Videos

- Include more examples or problems in the videos
- Videos needed editing or bug/technical fixes
- Videos were too long
- Videos were not sufficiently described
- Videos were dry or boring
- Videos did not have an appropriate pace
- Videos repeated information
- Video material was too complex

No Drawbacks or Neutral Result

- No drawbacks or suggestions

Approach Differently

- Do not flip courses in general; use traditional teaching
- Do not flip this course in particular
- Provide students with a choice on flipping
- Flip only a portion of the class periods

Prepare, Equip & Incentive Students To Flip

- Prepare students for the flipped learning style
- Incentivize students, including video quizzes
- Clarify/emphasize expectations, including video watching
- Provide video "lecture" notes
- Ensure videos available in advance for students

Student Learning

Lesser understanding or learning

Difficulty learning from a video

Video/Online Learning

Students unable to ask questions during a video

Instructor unable to sense student understanding in a video

Distractors to viewing videos in a non-classroom setting

Less motivation to attend class