

20-Minute Mentor Commons – Programs to Promote

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How Can I Make My Exams More about Learning, Less about Grades?

<http://www.magnapubs.com/mentor-commons/?video=3199>

Learn how you can transform exams into enhanced opportunities for student learning with practical solutions to the three core problems with exams today. Making exams better suit your learning goals requires student participation at every step of the process. Learn real-world, tested guidelines for integrating student input.

After completing this grading and feedback focused program, you'll be able to:

- Encourage students to take more responsibility for review sessions
- Redesign exams to promote learning, problem solving, and integration and application of course content
- Incorporate effective classroom policy design in your next syllabus

Presented by Maryellen Weimer, Ph.D.

How Can I Enhance the Impact of Feedback in Online Classes?

<http://www.magnapubs.com/mentor-commons/?video=3219>

Feedback is a key element in the learning process. Discover multiple feedback strategies that can grab students' attention, help them learn from their mistakes, and upgrade your online feedback, making it more specific, timely, and effective.

After participating in this program, you'll be able to:

- Identify technologies to help you incorporate feedback banks into your online teaching
- Employ multimedia feedback in your online courses
- Formulate one-to-many feedback strategies
- Design feedforward feedback strategies

Presented by B. Jean Mandernach, Ph.D.

What Is the Best Way to Grade Participation?

<http://www.magnapubs.com/mentor-commons/?video=3198>

You know how essential it is for students to be active participants in their education. But how do you grade them on it? In this program, you'll learn an overview of what not to do when grading participation, activities worth doing, how to do them, and how to evaluate your own process.

After completing this grading and feedback focused program, you'll be able to:

- Avoid common pitfalls associated with grading student participation
- Develop strategies for implementing an assessment plan
- Identify positive and negative criteria to evaluate student participation
- Develop and implement feedback strategies to help students improve their participation

Presented by Maryellen Weimer, Ph.D.

How Can I Make My Multiple Choice Tests More Effective?

<http://www.magnapubs.com/mentor-commons/?video=3186>

Learn how to make your multiple choice tests more effective by creating a test blueprint and formulating test questions that go beyond memorization to evaluate thinking skills. Testing is more than a responsibility for faculty members. It's an opportunity to assess the progress you and your students have made toward your learning objectives. Multiple choice tests aren't about playing the odds—instead, they can help you make the most of your chances to connect with students.

After viewing in this Magna 20-Minute Mentor, you'll be able to:

- Construct a test blueprint
- Formulate test questions that go beyond memorization to evaluate thinking skills

Presented by Linda Suskie.
