

# Strategies To Build A Classroom Community In The Distance Learning Environment

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# Overview

- Strategies To Promote Student Interactions
  - Key Interaction Types
  - Methods And Examples To Implement
- Strategies To Conduct Effective Communications
  - Consistency
  - Clarity
  - Simplicity
  - Positivity

# Strategies To Promote Student Interactions

## Key Interaction Types

- Student-Instructor
  - Synchronous
    - Live Class Time
    - Student Hours
  - Asynchronous
    - Email
    - Discussion Forum

# Strategies To Promote Student Interactions Part 2

## Key Interaction Types

- Student-Student
  - Synchronous
    - Live Class Time
    - Group Projects
    - Group Discussions
  - Asynchronous
    - Peer Review
    - Discussion Forum

# Strategies To Promote Student Interactions Part 3

## Key Interaction Types

- Student-Content
  - Synchronous
    - Live Class Time
    - Student Hours
  - Asynchronous
    - Videos
    - Articles
    - Pre-Lecture Quizzes

# Strategies To Promote Student Interactions Part 4

## Simple Implementation

Implementation	Purpose
Zoom Polling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Quick Feedback</li><li>✓ Student Engagement</li></ul>
Zoom Breakout Room	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Group Discussion</li><li>✓ Student-Student Interaction</li></ul>
Discussion Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Student-Student Interaction</li><li>✓ Student-Faculty Interaction</li></ul>

# Strategies To Conduct Effective Communications

## Consistency

Content	Strategies
Course materials	All in one location (LMS)
Due Dates	Routine submission
Naming	The same in the syllabus, schedule, announcements, in class
Instructor Availability and Communication Method	The same throughout the entire semester

# Strategies To Conduct Effective Communications Part 2

## Clarity

Content	Strategies
Due Dates	Specified day and time Assignment and assessment Readings and videos
Assignment and Assessment	Instructions Rubrics Purposes
Feedback	Actionable Specific



## Strategies To Conduct Effective Communications Part 3

### Simplicity

Content	Strategies
Course materials	One lesson, one folder All in one location 3 or fewer “clicks” to access the content Be visual
LMS Announcements	Only important ones Once a week
Technology	Only use if necessary Free or low-cost Support multiple operating systems Detailed instruction and contact info

## Strategies To Conduct Effective Communications Part 4

### Simple Implementation

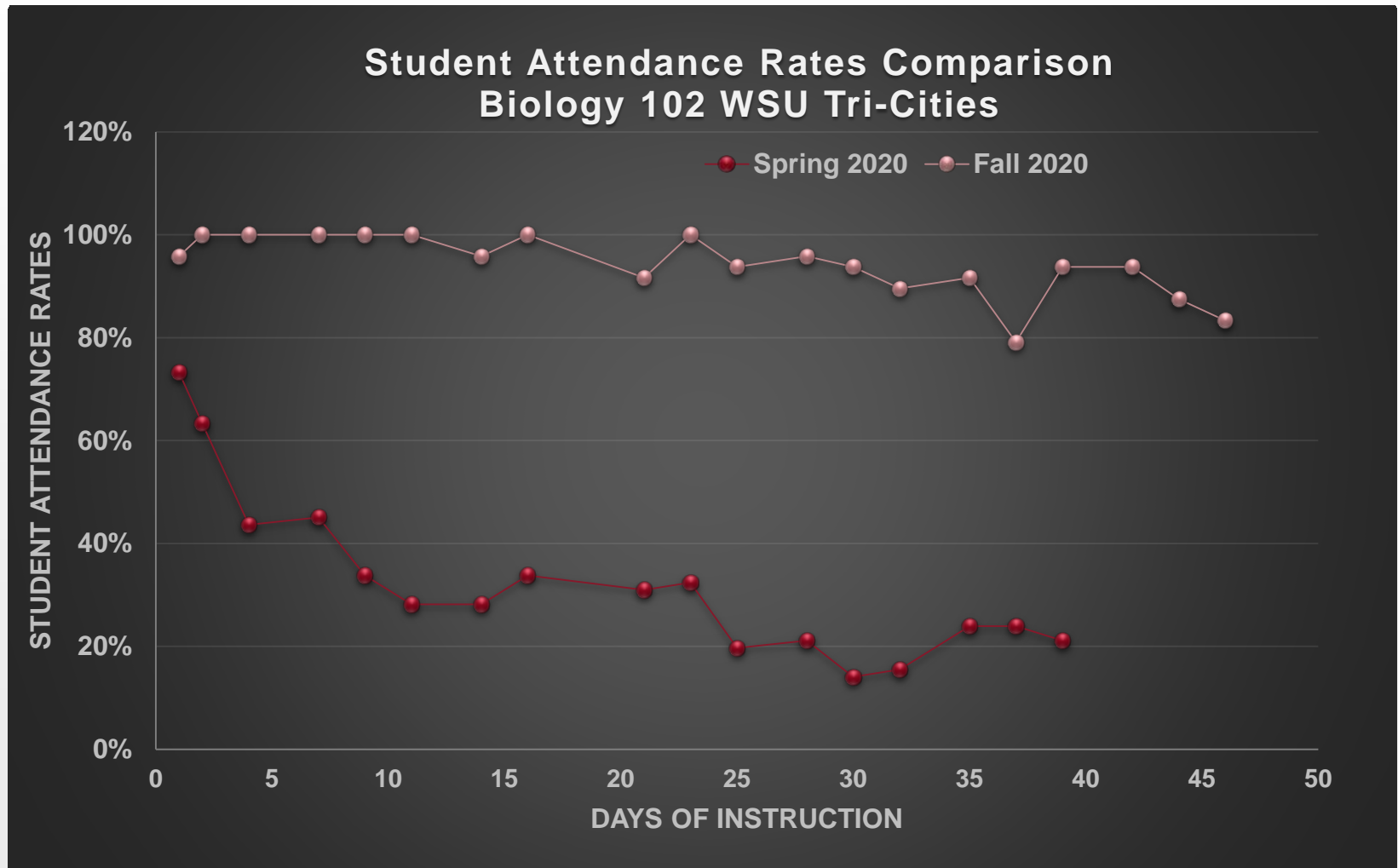
Implementation	Purpose
Blackboard Due Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Specify date and time</li><li>✓ Show on Blackboard calendar</li></ul>
Blackboard Rubric	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Clear requirements</li><li>✓ Ensure equity</li><li>✓ Save time</li><li>✓ Reuse</li></ul>
Assignment Template	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Clear instructions</li><li>✓ Save time</li></ul>
Snipping Tool to capture screenshots	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Visual</li><li>✓ Clear</li><li>✓ Save time</li></ul>

## Strategies To Conduct Effective Communications Part 5

### Positivity

Current Situation	Pros
Staying at home	Less commute time More time to study Reduced fuel consumption Less air pollution Spend more time with families
Online delivery	No snow days anymore! Tech-savvy Better online communication skills

# Student Attendance Rates Comparison



## Questions?

- Thank you for your attention!