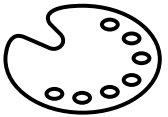


# Good Teaching in Large Classes (Focus: Engagement)

Good teaching can happen in small class and large classes. Solid student engagement can also happen in small and large classes. **In this one paper, you will learn tips for engaging students in large classes.**



**Think-Pair-Share.** Do not be intimidated by the physical design of your classroom. Pose a question to your class, and invite individual students to think about the prompt. Then invite students to pair up with others to share ideas. These pairs can then share to a larger group of students or the whole class.



**One-Pagers.** Invite students to engage in a creative exercise by creating a one-pager to show their knowledge. Give each student a piece of typing paper, and ask them to represent their learning through words or art materials. They can do these in class or bring them into class. Have them share their one-pager with five people in the class.



**Muddiest Point.** Ask students to write down the content from your course that is most unclear to them at a particular point in the semester. Invite students to give these to you – with or without having discussed their points with classmates.



**Three-Minute Thesis.** Invite students to compose three-minute theses to review a particular course concept. Students can upload these to the course Canvas site so that classmates can see them. You could also devise a way for students to comment on others' three-minute thesis projects.



**Microsoft Form.** Create a Form with intriguing questions that students can answer at the beginning of class. Then show the data from the class to spark small group discussions.

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