

Consider these ideas when planning your course online:

The most important thing is giving students agency over their learning through flexibility and choice



Explicitly tell students **why a lesson is relevant**

Provide a **variety of resources** to prevent frustration and increase ways to content

Provide students with choices through various content and actions so they can remain invested and engaged

Provide **varying levels of challenge** in tasks and content

Encourage students to **assess their own learning** using checklists and rubrics and technology tools such as quizzes

Make yourself available with responsive email, video chat or a phone call

Offer students tips on **how to stay motivated**



Provide **visual, auditory, and digital materials** for each lesson providing choice

Simplify **complicated instructions** and provide visuals to increase understanding

Offer visuals like charts, pictures, movies, audio clips, and resources students can touch and manipulate

Help students see how the **information is transferable** to real world

Create levels of knowledge where students can build on their own comprehension

Model comprehension strategies like note-taking, highlighting, monitoring and asking questions



Give students a choice in how they express what they know in ways other than traditional tests and exams (such as projects, journals, podcasts)

Allow students to use technology, resources, and tools to express knowledge, and develop class communication and participation such as wikis, video meetings, graphic organizers like mind maps, and more

Provide feedback while students work for example using tools such as online quizzes to provide specific feedback on wrong answers

Have **students reflect on their own learning** and evaluate their choices made to express knowledge

Provide tips on how to stay organized