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TEACHING TIP OF THE WEEK

Online Teaching Strategies

Tip of the week: Orchestrating effective class discussions on Zoom.

Remote teaching offers many advantages when preparing for and managing class discussions. Use the following tools to manage discussions and boost students' in-class participation.

Canvas quizzes can help students prepare for class discussions. [Peer review assignments](#), where students not only submit their own assignment but also provide feedback on another student's assignment, can easily be created in Canvas. Results can be used in class to start or move the discussion forward. Polls are a great tool to understand students' points of view and thoughts. You can combine the [raise hand](#) Zoom function with simple yes/no [polls](#) to keep discussions moving forward and students engaged.

Explore using interactive tools to write key ideas, engage students, and structure the discussion. Other [active learning strategies](#) can also be conducted through breakout rooms on Zoom. Also consider the benefits of random selection breakout rooms versus [pre-assigning students](#) based on various criteria such as their work experience.

Consider including asynchronous materials to help students prepare for class, for case debriefs, debates, or to reinforce learnings after class. Asynchronous videos can help you free-up in-class time for extended discussions and can be beneficial for students to get your thoughts on an issue in a clear, structured way.

Sign up to the Haas Digital's [Flipping your Course workshop](#) and consider these strategies for [flipping your classroom](#).

Live sessions: Haas Digital has developed a [template](#) for instructors conducting a live session. The template helps to focus the experience and provides Haas Digital with

information that we require in order to support an effective live session. Finally, this page includes guidelines on how to [facilitate online live sessions](#).

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