

7 Principles of Learning (Ambrose et al., 2010)

No.	Principles	Explanations	Teaching Impactions	Technology Tools
1	Prior Knowledge	Students' prior knowledge can help or hinder learning.	 Find out student's prior knowledge Have students self-assess their familiarity with prior knowledge Identify errors or misconceptions in student's knowledge (and address them) 	 Moodle Quiz Quizizz Kahoot Poll Everywhere •
2	Organize Knowledge	How students organize knowledge influences how they learn and apply what they know.	• Help students organize their knowledge in a way that is valid and provide rich connections between important and meaningful concepts, principles, etc.	 Moodle lessons Articulate Storyline Camtasia Studio Squigl Snagit
3	Motivation	Students' motivation determines, directs, and sustains what they do to learn.	 Show enthusiasm Reward students for achieving outcomes Demonstrate relevance of content to real-world applications Aligns outcomes with activities, assessments, etc. Create supportive environment 	 Camtasia Studio Flipgrid Zoom Designrr Ted talk or other videos Google Maps Moodle Forum



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4	Mastery	To develop mastery, students must acquire component skills, practice integrating them, and know when to apply what they have learned.	 Decompose complex tasks into component skills Diagnose and provide practice for students in their weaker skills in different context Include integration of skills in assessments Have students link contextual learning experiences to general principles 	 Camtasia Studio Squigl Flipgrid Moodle lesson Articulate Storyline Moodle Quiz •
5	Goal- directed	Goal - directed practice coupled with targeted feedback enhances the quality of students' learning.	 Start the course by assessing students' performance level and adjust the level of their practice to a reasonable level Make student's performance goals, criteria, and standards explicit Scaffold complex tasks in decreasing detail over time Provide lots of practice opportunities Show examples of week and strong performance Incorporate instructors and peer feedback 	 Squigl Moodle lesson Voicethread Padlet <
6	Social, emotional, intellectual climate	Students' current level of development interacts with the social, emotional, and intellectual climate of the course to impact learning.	 Foster safe environment for expression of different points of views, answers to questions, approaches to a problem Include inclusive content and examples Model inclusive behavior and language Personalize the class as much as possible Have students generate ground rules for interactions Require students to provide evidence to back up their claim 	 Use inclusive images in banners Flipgrid Podcast Squigl •



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7	Self-directed	To become self - directed learners, students must learn to monitor and adjust their approaches to learning.	 Provide opportunities for students to analyze assignments, assessment rubrics, and study examples of both good and bad product Model metacognition and have students reflect on and answer questions that direct them to self-assess and self-correct their work, assess their peer's work, assess their learning, and assess the effectiveness of their study strategies 	 Moodle forum Flipgrid Voicethread Padlet

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