### PTTP: Engagement Out-of-class



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### Overview

- □ What is Engagement Outside-the-classroom?
- □ Email
- Mailing lists
- Class websites
- □ Social Media
- Bootcamps
- Office Hours
- □ Group Engagement
- Social Activities



### What is Student Engagement

- □ Core Idea:
  - Students learn by themselves, and seldom in class
- □ What we do:
  - Tell them what they need to learn
  - Help them to learn
  - Motivate them to learn
  - Assess if they have learnt



#### **Email**

- □ Do we respond to individual email?
  - At what email address?
- □ When do we respond?
  - Immediately? Once a day? Once a week?
- □ How do we respond?
  - Formal? Informal?

#### AVERAGE TIME SPENT COMPOSING ONE E-MAIL









## Mailing List

- □ Do you need a class mailing list?
  - e.g., Vula announcements
- □ When should you use the mailing list?
  - Daily? Emergencies only?
- □ Do you assume in-class announcements are sufficient?
- □ Do you assume students read mailing list messages?





#### Class Website

- □ What is the purpose of the class "website"?
- □ What should be on it?
- □ Should students be required to check?
- □ How long should the website exist?







#### Social Media

- □ Should we "friend" students on social media? Should we invite them?
- □ How can we use social media?
- □ Which social media sites can work?

□ Is social media authoritative (can we post required work

there?)







### Bootcamps



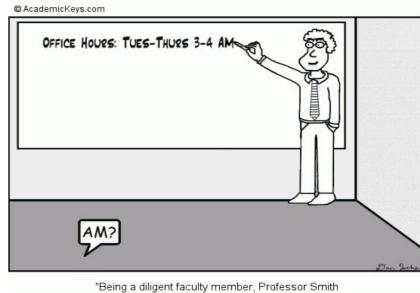
- □ Should you have extra activities (lectures/tutorials)?
- □ Why? When?
- Does this actually help students or make them lazy? Or does it create an overload?





#### Office Hours

- □ Should you have standard office hours?
  - How long per week? Where?
- □ Where should this be published?
- □ How strictly should this be adhered to?



"Being a diligent faculty member, Professor Smith makes sure that he provides ample office hours."



### **Group Engagement**

- □ How can you get students to work as a group outside the classroom?
- □ What are the benefits?
- □ What are the pitfalls to watch out for?





### **Social Activities**

- □ Should you arrange social activities?
- □ Should you attend social activities?
  - Whole class? Subgroup? Individual? Friends? Dating?
- □ What benefit is there to students?





# Thank you for listening!



Questions, comments and suggestions are welcome...

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