

# Reimagining the Classroom

## Strategies to inspire active learning

**Active learning strategies can be employed within the classroom to inspire engagement, debate, and discussion. Here are a few guidelines recommended by experts in higher education:**



**Establish commitment** – Instead of imposing strict rules and structure on students' learning, offer students a chance to think critically about their learning and encourage them to devise their own solutions to challenges that they may face along the way.



**Disrupt reality** – Replace actual reality with an imagined one, presenting students with alternative or futuristic events and happenings.



**Introduce imagined solutions** – Ask students to use their own experience and knowledge to explore course concepts.



**Incorporate arts-based pedagogy** – Integrate visual and theater-based activity to encourage students to think more creatively, abstractly, and cooperatively when tackling complex subject matter.<sup>1,2</sup>

<sup>1</sup><https://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/EJ1075617.pdf>

<sup>2</sup>[http://critl.umich.edu/active\\_learning\\_implementing](http://critl.umich.edu/active_learning_implementing)

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