TEACHING METHODS
Lecture

UNION PRESBYTERIAN SEMINARY

MATERIALS NEEDED FOR IN-PERSON TEACHING:

- A VOICE/ ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE
- HANDOUTS
- VISUAL AIDS/ DIAGRAMS
- MICROPHONE
- PODIUM
- NOTES/ SPEECH

MATERIALS NEEDED FOR VIRTUAL TEACHING:

- MICROPHONE
- CAMERA/ WEBCAM
- NOTES
- RECORDING SOFTWEAR (SUCH AS FLIPGRID, ZOOM, ETC)
- STRONG INTERNET CONNECTION

EMPOWERING LEARNING:

- INTRAPERSONAL
- THOUGHT PROVOKING
- REINFORCES SCRIPTURES
- SIMPLE
- STRAIGHTFORWARD

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DESCRIPTION

Lectures are an ancient type of teaching method, and they are also the most common method used in academia and in the church. An effective lecture requires good oratory skills and the ability to transmit information orally to students.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR IN-PERSON TEACHING

Lectures are very simple. Anyone with a voice and the ability to transfer information orally can utilize the lecture in teaching. To begin, start with an attention grabber. This is a statement or action which shifts the audience's focus to you. This could be as simple as closing the door loudly declaring, "Excellent, this group is all mine". Ministers often use the scripture verse(s) or a prayer as an attention grabber before they deliver their lectures. From there, it is imperative that a speaker keep their audience engaged. If in-person, a lecturer could incorporate all sorts of activities to engage the audience. Traditionally, a lecturer will use gesticulations, body language, and voice tone inflection to help convey their thoughts to an audience. In-person, an instructor may want to move about to add emphasis.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VIRTUAL TEACHING

Online teaching using a lecture can be a great way to save time, as old lectures can be viewed by new students if the lecture is recorded. To begin, ensure your microphone is working. Audio recorded without video can be used as a podcast while video footage can be posted online for wider viewing and allows the viewers to see your body language. Start by making sure your area is free of distraction and is appropriate for the lecture. Speak clearly and slowly looking into the webcam.

IDEAS FOR USING THIS METHOD

- Make a podcast
- Create a Youtube channel
- Deliver a faux news report
- Write a sermon
- Lecture as spoken-word poetry
- Powerpoint Presentation