

Make learning practical, fun and interactive

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LETTERS: A worrisome "new norm" post Covid-19 is the dependence students have on digital interfaces or gadgets and their growing disinterest in their education.

I did a survey among undergraduates at the International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM) to assess their challenges and to solicit potential solutions.

The survey received responses from 124 female and 76 male participants. Participants were queried about methods through which educators could enhance students' classroom performance.

From the feedback, there are four primary factors educators should consider to improve student learning.

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We must create engaging classrooms with a sense of enjoyment. Students desire a fun-filled and engaging classroom atmosphere that is not overly serious or linear.

There should be sustained interaction. Many students emphasise the importance of interactive classes, where engagement and participation are encouraged through quizzes, questions and answers, group discussions and sharing experiences.

Without such engagement, students may be physically present in class but mentally disengaged making them feel the classroom is like a "cage".

Give real-life examples to theories learned in classrooms so that the students see their implications.

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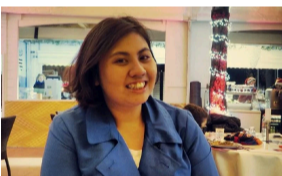
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