Civility in the University Classroom

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Abstract

Classroom management is generally regarded as an issue for schools; one thinks of discipline, unruly students, classroom rules that must be followed and if they are not, the consequences that a student will incur. This is no longer the case. A quick review of the literature gives evidence of the importance of classroom management and civility in the university classroom as well as the ESL preparatory classrooms. Students in today’s universities have been educated in a more permissive environment; they are computer literate; they are traveled and many of them are working to pay for their own studies. This presentation will propose efficient and practical means to facilitate learning for today’s students. Logical classroom rules, discussion techniques and presentation methodology will be covered.

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