

# Seven categories of framing approaches

Categories	Your Ideas/Comments
<p><b>1. Highlighting class structure or format</b></p> <p>Provide insight into course structure, providing rationale for why you will be running class this way.  <i>E.g., “Traxoline” nonsense words pseudo-lesson or “Here’s why we are using clickers”</i></p>	
<p><b>2. Teaching about Teaching and Learning</b></p> <p>Highlight how people learn (through reference to research base), with aim to increase student understanding of active learning strategies and how the course aligns with those strategies.  <i>E.g., Show the Hake plot and discuss</i></p>	
<p><b>3. Allow students to reflect on their own learning</b></p> <p>Give students an opportunity to develop insight into how they, personally, learn (i.e., metacognition).  <i>E.g., “Which of these skills is most important to you to learn?”</i></p>	
<p><b>4. Highlighting relevance/importance of content</b></p> <p>Provide motivation to learn the course content because it will be interesting or useful for career, school, or everyday life.  <i>E.g., “What is physics about? Why are you here?”</i></p>	
<p><b>5. Develop an effective class dynamics/culture</b></p> <p>Give students a positive experience with interactive learning strategies, generate community, share your experiences, set stage for mutual respect.  <i>E.g., “Let’s try an activity.” or two-stage review</i></p>	
<p><b>6. Address student affect/attitudes/confidence</b></p> <p>Solicit or develop positive attitudes towards the course content or structure, discuss negative attitudes, or build confidence.  <i>E.g., “What rumors have you heard about this class?”</i></p>	
<p><b>7. Address student responsibility for learning</b></p> <p>Develop an understanding of how students are expected to behave in the course, help students prepare or study more effectively.  <i>E.g., Syllabus quiz</i></p>	

