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Talking to Our Colleagues about Universal Design for Learning

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1. What should our colleagues say to such students?
2. How might our colleagues actually feel?
Re-Framing UDL: Mobile Learners
Help connect to learners via their mobile devices.

What one strategy could we adopt to supplement—or even replace—our face-to-face messages?
Universal Design for Learning

learner engagement
representing info
action choices
Wait a second...
UDL: access
(no matter why)
“We want a situation that is good for everybody . . . part of it is thinking about what has to happen at the level of design that makes accommodation less necessary.”

-- Sam Johnston, CAST
Strategy 1: start with text.

VOICE OVER
With new K-Cup 5-Star meals, you can eat like a king, and cleanup is a snap.

LOGO SCREEN
K-Cup meals photo with flashy text flying around

VOICE OVER
The new Keurig K-Cup 5-Star Meals, choose from Salad, Tacos, Hot Wings, Donuts and Corn-dogs, or try some of our brand-new Supremo flavors.

INT. STUDIO
Zack pulling a mug of something brown from his face, smiling in bliss.

ZACK
Mmmmm... That's good duck.

LOGO SCREEN
Strategy 2: make alternatives.
Strategy 3: let ‘em do it their way.
Strategy 4: go step by step.

- Watch an Intro Video (3 mins)
- Read Case Study
- Post Case Study Response
- Read Scholarly Article
- Watch Prof Video #2 (5 mins)
- Internet Scavenger Hunt
- Update Discussion Response
- Watch Prof Video #3 (4 mins)
- Watch Prof Video #4 (10 mins)
- Ungraded Knowledge Check
- Watch Final Video (5 mins)
- Create Project Paper
Strategy 5: set content free.
1. Start new design processes with **text**.
2. Create **alternatives** for all multimedia.
3. Design alternate ways for learners to **demonstrate** each course objective.
4. Break up tasks into separate **components**.
5. Expand, document, and **share interactions** in online courses using free or low-cost tools.
[Darth Sidious: You have been well trained, my young apprentice. They will be no match for you.]
The need to make changes is not always this obvious.
I commit to #UDL!
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@ThomasJTobin
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