Can Smart Teaching Produce Global Citizens?

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Objectives

- Apply "Smart Teaching" principles and practices in the Politics of Developing Areas
- Instill a deep and lasting awareness of global citizenship
- Unleash students' creative potential to solve real-world problems

Background

- POL 353 focuses on the problems, actors, and remedies that are particular to a developing area context
- Introduce relevant theories and terms
- Improve communication skills

Guiding Principles

- Prior knowledge can either help or hinder learning
- Environment can influence motivation
- Connect the material to students' interests
- Provide authentic, real world tasks
- Pursue learning outcomes, not production outcomes

Strategy

- From teacher-centered to student-centered learning
- Provide substance and context
- Promote risk taking, not risk avoidance
- From mundane to profound
- Get those creative juices flowing!

Survey Results

Global learning experiences can be facilitated locally through interaction with groups and/or organizations within the local community

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree	0	0%
2	Disagree	0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree	2	20%
4	<u>Agree</u>	7	70%
5	Strongly Agree	1	10%
	Total	10	100%

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1	Strongly Disagree	0	0%
2	<u>Disagree</u>	0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree	2	17%
4	<u>Agree</u>	7	58%
5	Strongly Agree	3	25%
	Total	12	100%

Activities here at home have direct implications for people in other countries

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1	Strongly Disagree	0	0%
2	<u>Disagree</u>	0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree	3	30%
4	<u>Agree</u>	3	30%
5	Strongly Agree	4	40%
	Total	10	100%

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree	0	0%
2	Disagree	0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree	0	0%
4	<u>Agree</u>	6	50%
5	Strongly Agree	6	50%
	Total	12	100%

Global learning helps prepare students to become socially responsible

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1	Strongly Disagree	0	0%
2	Disagree	0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree	0	0%
4	<u>Agree</u>	3	30%
5	Strongly Agree	7	70%
	Total	10	100%

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree	0	0%
2	Disagree	0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree	0	0%
4	<u>Agree</u>	5	42%
5	Strongly Agree	7	58%
	Total	12	100%

Moving Forward

- Revise the survey
- Content analysis of global citizenship question