Experiences of Intensive Mode Teaching: What the Students are Saying

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Presentation Structure

• What is intensive mode?
• Students’ experiences
  • Opportunities from extended classes
  • Important practices
  • Important features of the environment
Intensive Mode

Classes over longer in a day and over fewer days than traditionally in the discipline.
The Student Experience
Students are Reporting Opportunities from Extended Classes

- Time to focus on one unit
- Time for long discussions
- Time to learn, apply to real world problems, and ask questions
- Time to get to know each other and learn from each other
- Rapid development of capabilities in intensive field units
Students Say that it Helps When Educators

• Provide incentive to keep up
• Encourage learning among diverse peers
• Engage students in developing capabilities early in the unit
• Carefully select preparation material
• Identify and teach tacit concepts
• Provide advice about the intensive nature of the unit/course
Students Say that it Helps When Educators Provide an Environment in Which

- Students feel confident to ask questions
- Students can move around the class
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