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- 1. Use economic experiments in the classroom as much as possible! Students learn economic concepts so much better when they have learned through experience, and it is infinitely easier to run an economic experiment than a scientific one.
- 2. Demonstrate passion for your subject. Students have approached me of their own volition to express how much they appreciate my excitement about my field and sharing my expertise.
- 3. This shouldn't require stating: "Care about your students." Ask how they are doing. If one of them misses class for a family funeral, express and convey sympathy. If they all perform poorly on an exam, encourage them and provide tips to improve their performance. Students who know you genuinely care about their outcomes and their lives will care more about what you have to say during class.