Students Keeping Blogs in Calculus

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Abstract: Frequently as math teachers we have goals for our students beyond the simple mastery of particular content objectives. These may include things like building critical thinking or metacognitive skills, or encouraging students to be lifelong learners. These goals are important, but it can be difficult to find ways to support students’ growth in these areas. In this talk, I will describe the semester-long project in which my Calculus for Life Science I (Math 2321) students kept public blogs to support their learning of calculus concepts as well as building skills that are not content-specific.

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