**Idaho State University
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**Teaching Climate Change: Hints for the Classroom and Public Outreach**

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Global warming / climate change is one of the most important topics of our times, and as such is one that we should be including both in our college classes and in our outreach efforts. In this presentation, I’ll begin by discussing why even those of us who don’t qualify as “climate scientists” are still well-positioned to advance public understanding of climate change, then will turn to a few hints for approaching the topic. I’ll emphasize the importance of teaching “with inspiration, not fear,” providing concrete examples of strategies for audiences ranging from school kids to college students to the general public. Note: Many of the examples will be drawn from my book A Global Warming Primer, posted free online at [globalwarmingprimer.com](http://globalwarmingprimer.com/), my free middle school climate curriculum ([bigkidscience.com/climatechange](http://bigkidscience.com/climatechange)), and my children’s book The Wizard Who Saved the World.

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