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Adapt Your Teaching Philosophy and Process to Accommodate Your Students' Physical Abilities

James Kyle on the importance of adapting your teaching philosophy and process to accommodate your students' physical abilities:

My teaching business includes students of all skill levels and experience. Together, we set goals for their progress and implement a lesson plan to help them attain those goals. These students' abilities run the gamut, but one of the most rewarding aspects of being a teacher is seeing their progress. Some of my students have physical disabilities and illnesses, including Parkinson's, Leukemia and blindness, which do not allow for standard golf instruction, so I adapt my teaching approach to their situation.

James Kyle on the business impact of adapting your teaching philosophy and process to accommodate your students' physical abilities:

Teaching is so rewarding, and golf instruction is no different. Helping golfers of all abilities and skill levels attain joy and satisfaction in their golf game inspires me, my students and other PGA Professionals. With the updates I post on LinkedIn, I have been contacted by other instructors, family members and caregivers of other golfers on how best to tailor instruction to their physical abilities. My lesson schedule is always booked, partially due to my work with students of all abilities and is a testament to the positive feedback I continue to receive from my community. Gearing one's golf instruction to the abilities of your students is vital to their progress, success and enjoyment in the game and it expands your knowledge and abilities as a complete, well-rounded golf instructor.