I seek to motivate and enable students to stretch themselves, to try out their wings and to experiment, so as to prepare themselves for life’s challenges ahead. I do this by creating a safe and collaborative space for them to question, explore, fail, and discover. Rather than simply encouraging them to do so, I model what I teach, traversing equally unfamiliar territories which expose me to vulnerabilities and failures. This translates to teaching topics selected from outside my comfort zone that require me to explore and expand my learning and capabilities. I challenge my students to do the same. Ultimately, I want them to take ownership of their learning and growth. I express genuine interest in each student's personal growth and development because I believe in them. Through individualized attention and support, I strive to help them realize that their ideas and initiatives matter, and that they are empowered.

My engagement strategies:

**Excite, Explore, & Expand**

I inspire students to explore the unintuitive, discover their passions and find relevance in all that they do. This stirs excitement for learning. I create innovative projects that build upon inquiry, enabling students to explore topics they find interesting. I provide constructive feedback to challenge, and support them as they strive to become subject-matter experts. In their learning journeys, I seek to help students expand and grow out of fixated thoughts to recognize alternate possibilities, readying them with critical skills for a lifetime of learning.

*What Students Say…*

“Dr Kelvin, never failed to make class interesting and different from the previous ones. I always looked forward to class despite its grade-less nature. Students engaged actively in his pedagogical approach during lessons and he would always strive to deliver his lesson in the most effective way and ensure students leave with “something”. In my opinion, teaching at the university level ought to be creative and engaging, and Dr Kelvin had shown some ways to achieve that in his own innovative ways.”