


SPECIAL SESSION

Empowering Millennials

Teaching and Learning Challenges



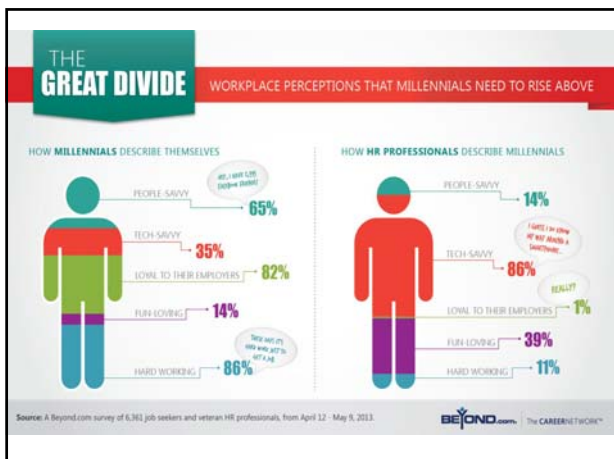
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PROGRAM:

- Let's meet and understand "millennials"
- Challenges to teaching and learning
- Empowering your students
- Suggested discussion questions
- Extra time? Stay and talk...

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Understanding...



Who are the "Millenials"?

TIME: 1:08

Today we continue to reach 21st century students
with 20th century teaching methods.

Why?

Let's start with a laugh...

What students say

vs.

what they WANT to say

TIME: 4:30

Today, a 20-year-old in *Detroit* has more in common with a 20-year-old in *Paris* than with their own parents!

On a more serious note...

A vision of students today...

TIME: 4:44

Let's meet the 18-24 years olds we are *trying* to teach!

TIME: 3:12

Understanding Gen-Y (millenials)

TIME: 4:01

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Challenges...

Teaching Challenges

- Getting them to show up
- Getting them to read
- Getting them to interact/take part
- Getting them to do the work required
- Getting them to respect deadlines
- Getting them to LEARN!!!

Learning Challenges

- "I don't show up because it is boring"
- "I don't read because it's not as fun as 'Candy Crush'"
- "I don't take part 'cause I don't care!"
- "Work? Really!? What's in it for me?"
- 150 students = 150 "excuses"
- "I have been raised to not keep score; everyone's a winner!"
- "I am not interested in learning – I just want good grades and a degree!"

Empowering...

So how do we then EMPOWER millenials?



- Let them discover the value of what they are learning
- EMPOWER your students, don't "teach" them!

TIME: 9:45

It's Their Life – Their Education!

Student Empowerment:

- ✓ **Thinking** students...
- ✓ **Active** students...
- ✓ **Passionate** students...
- ✓ **Creative** students...
- ✓ **Proactive** students...
- ✓ **Taking** initiative students...

Tips for Teachers...

- Use social media to connect/add value
- Empower them to learn – don't "teach" them
- GIVE control in your classroom (vs. take control)
- "Flip" portions of your courses if possible

Time to discuss...

A few possible discussion questions:

- Do you continue to rely on **20th century teaching** methods
(PUT ANOTHER WAY: Do you fail to embrace 21st century technology?)
- Do you use **social media** in the classroom?
- Do you TAKE control and attract followers or **GIVE control** and create leaders?
- Are you **"flipping"** your classroom?
 - Creating 15-20 minute "YouTube" lectures to watch at any time
 - Then "homework", projects, discussions in some type of room

Thank you!
