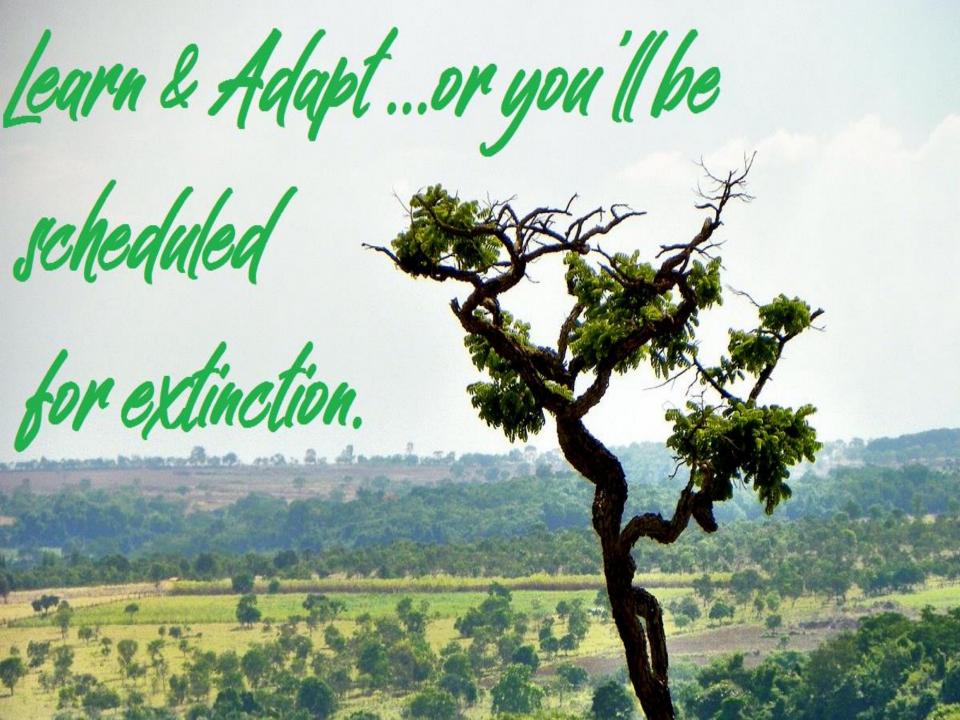
Closing the Skill GAP with Career Portfolios

Success is not a Secret...it's a process!



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Fairy Tale or Nightmare...Education



NOW...education can make debt slaves

Even GIGWORK requires skills and self-management
There is a NEW Workforce reality....



Technology



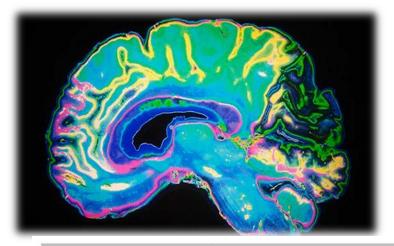
- Get a response...with technology.
 - Get a hit of dopamine. (Same chemical when we smoke, drink or gamble.)
- Approval of parents...to approval of peers.
 - Coping strategies interrupted.



- Social, financial or job stress ...turn to technology.
- DO NOT know how to form deep meaningful relationships
 - ...never practiced the soft skill sets and don't know how.
 - Friends will cancel, if something better comes along.
- Technology and social media not bad—the imbalance is bad!



Dopamine hit....



- Involved in the frontal cortex in <u>executive</u> functions like attention.
- Love...Lust...Adultery...Motivation...
 Attention....Achievement.... Addiction

Happiness Chemicals	Key Phrase	Consulting Example
Endorphins	No pain	2am late night working in hotel lobby
Dopamine	One more	Setting and achieving milestones
Serotonin	Loyalty; allegiance	Making the partner proud
Oxytocin	Intimacy and safety	Team dinners; one-on-ones with boss



Impatience

Don't make me wait!

PERSONALLY

- Log on and order on amazon—here the next day.
- No movie times—log on and watch the movie instantly.
- Binge watch On Demand.
- "Swipe right"—instant babe

PROFESSIONALLY

- Not making an impact
- It must be "me"
- "Think I will quit..."
- "They don't like me—too much conflict."







Trust...

"To gain our trust, you don't to have be right. To gain our trust, we don't have to agree with you. You just have to tell us the truth."



Leadership Research, Simon Sinek,2014

Prescription for Closing the GAP

Target Job (model job description)

--- **Skills** (work experience, education, training, activities)

RX for minimum viable education experience, license/certification







What in a Career Portfolio?

- Work Philosophy
- Professional Bio
- Professional Goals
- Résumé
- Work Samples by key areas
- Works in Progress

- Community Service (Transferable Skills)
- Professional Memberships
- Degrees, Certifications& Awards
- Reference Info

Employers VALUE skills—document!



Community Service & Activities







Success comes from taking imperfect

action.

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