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#### WELCOME TO 2020!

As we look to the future and the world becomes more digital, colleges must wrestle with what that means for their students. The rise of data analytics, the digital transformation of the workplace, online options to reduce students' textbook costs — all provide opportunities for college leaders and faculty but must be navigated with intelligence and foresight. To learn more about the unique aspect of Today's Learners and how to best respond to their needs, please learn more in this article, "<u>The Digital Student</u>" from the Chronicle of Higher Education.



### AY 20-21 FACULTY FELLOW APPLICATION DEADLINE APPROACHING

The Faculty Innovation Fellows Program allows faculty the time and resources to engage in (and experiment with) innovative teaching practices and to contribute to the development of learning across Park University. Five Faculty Fellows will be selected in spring 2020 to serve during the 2020-2021 academic

year. All interested faculty (full-time, adjunct, distance, etc.) are invited to apply. Learn more <u>here</u>. All applications are due by **January 17th, 2020**!

# APPLY TODAY!



# **3 MINDSET SHIFTS THAT CAN HELP STUDENTS SUCCEED**

By Chris Hulleman & Larry Happel

Students constantly face obstacles and transitions—and their mindset influences how they respond to them. Psychologists define mindsets as the attitudes, beliefs, and perceptions about ourselves, other people, and the environments we're in. In particular, there are three mindsets that can help students persist. One way to remember these three mindsets is through the acronym GPS: (The G stands for Growth; The P stands for Purpose; The S stands for Social. The point of mindset GPS is not that humans can, or should, persevere through every challenge or negative life situation—there are some situations that are genuinely toxic that no amount of the right attitude can overcome. Rather, mindset GPS is one of many tools to help overcome life's common challenges and accomplish our goals. To learn more, read the full article <u>HERE</u>.



#### JANUARY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

We are excited to offer some outstanding sessions during the month of January to refresh and renew your teaching practices. To learn more or find additional information (including zoom links to each program), please click <u>HERE</u>.

- There's an App for That! SIG, *Eugene Mattews*, Jan. 7st, Tues. (10:00-11:00am CST) - Norrington/Zoom
- Facilitating a Community of Inquiry (COI) SIG, *Josh Mugg*, Jan. 14th, Thurs. (2:00-3:00pm CST) - Gibson/Zoom
- AY 20-21 FELLOWS APPLICATIONS DUE!!! Jan. 17th, Fri. (5:00pm CST)
- Creating Wicked Students Innovation Exchange, Leslie Umstattd, Jan. 21st, Tue. (11:00-11:30am CST) - Norrington/Zoom
- Immersive Learning SIG, Stephen Fant Jan. 22nd. Wed. (1:00-2:00pm CST) - Zoom
- Organizational Culture SIG, *Adrian James* Jan. 23rd, Thurs. (10:00-11:00am CST) - Meetin' House
- Organizational Culture SIG, Adrian James Jan. 23rd, Thurs. (1:00-2:00pm CST) Zoom

• Deconstructing Diversity SIG, Allison Rand Jan. 28th, Tues. (1:00-2:00pm) Norrington/Zoom

# JUST IN CASE YOU MISSED IT - MOST POPULAR VIDEOS OF 2019

Each month, thousands of L&D leaders—just like you—attend VitalSmarts webinars and watch the video resources. Therefore, we wanted to share a handful of their <u>Top Webinar Videos of 2019</u>. Enjoy!



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THE POWER OF HABIT: IMPROVE CAREERS THROUGH ACCELERATED HABIT CHANGE Presenters: Justin Hale & Charles Duhigg WATCH NOW!

# **TECHNOLOGY TIP: REFRESHING OUR COURSES**

As we begin a new year, we often find ourselves looking to refresh our courses or search out new and innovative ways to engage our learners. This month's Tech Tip is dedicated to featuring a helpful (and FREE) downloadable book called *Adding Some Tec-Variety: 100+ Activities for Motivating and Retaining Learners Online.* This resource is packed with practical, helpful activities you can integrate today. To download it directly, Click <u>HERE</u>.

# ADDING SOME TEC-VARIETY

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