# Learning Spaces Collaboratory Webinar

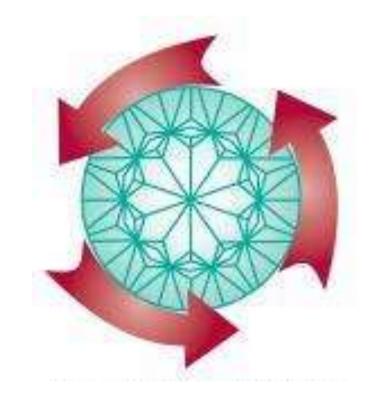
# Flipped/Blended 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Environments

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The central LSC strategies are to take a *kaleidoscopic* perspective on transforming the environment for undergraduate learning and provide a feedback loop through which the broader community is informed about best practices and lessons learned.



## Learning Outcomes

- About what spaces say about how learning happens
- About research findings on how learning happens

About the evolution of active learning environments





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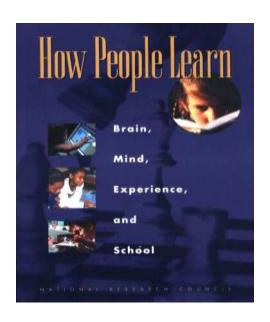
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#### Learning happens when learners are:

- actively engaged in constructing their own knowledge
- situated in a social and supportive community
- able to reflect and build on prior knowledge
- involved with addressing meaningful problems

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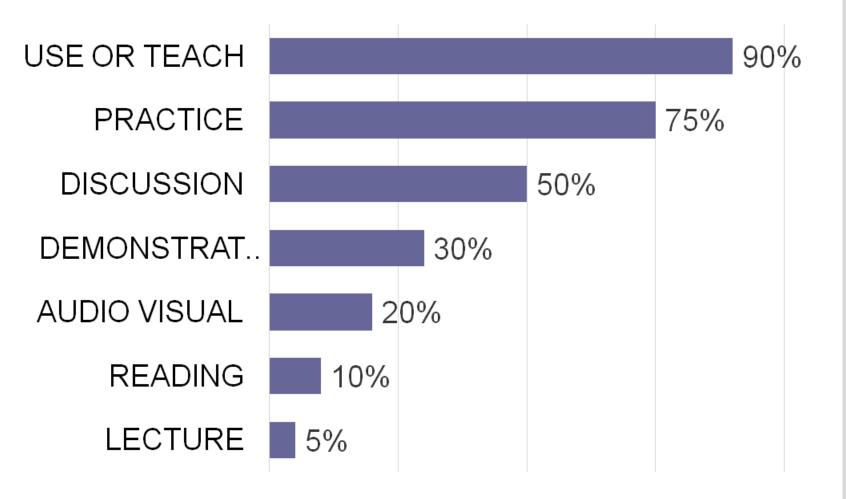
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#### Lessons from the field: Learning by doing works

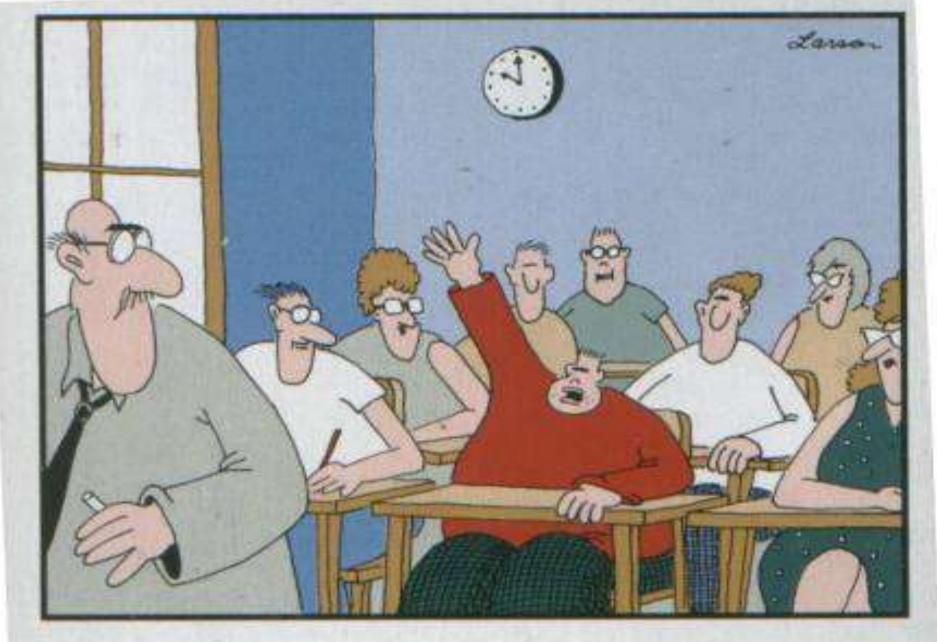


One must learn by doing the thing, for though you think you know it, you have no certainty until you try.

—Sophocles, 400 B.C.

Engaging students as practitioners in the field facilitates interest, persistence, and success.

— Carl Wieman, 2011 A.D.



"Mr. Osborne, may I be excused?
My brain is full."

#### Calls to action:

- preparing learners for leadership in an complex world
- ensuring the success of all students in an increasingly diverse society
- connecting to institutional and societal expectations of our graduates
- embracing an uncertain future.

#### What if ...

...we grounded our planning on calls to action from the broader community?





#### Example: Level 1 Research Project:

#### Planetary Exploration: Mars analogue component



#### Plan a mission to Mars

Outline scientific goals and mission objectives; design an undergraduate experiment

#### **Mathematics**

Use of mathematical software to simulate planetary motion



Kepler's laws, angular momentum, Newtonian gravity



Extremophiles, biogeochemical cycles

#### **Earth Science**

Earth as an analogue: fluvial processes, tectonic activity, glacial movement

#### **Chemistry**

Combustion of rocket propellants

#### **Psychology**

Manned vs. unmanned missions, group dynamics







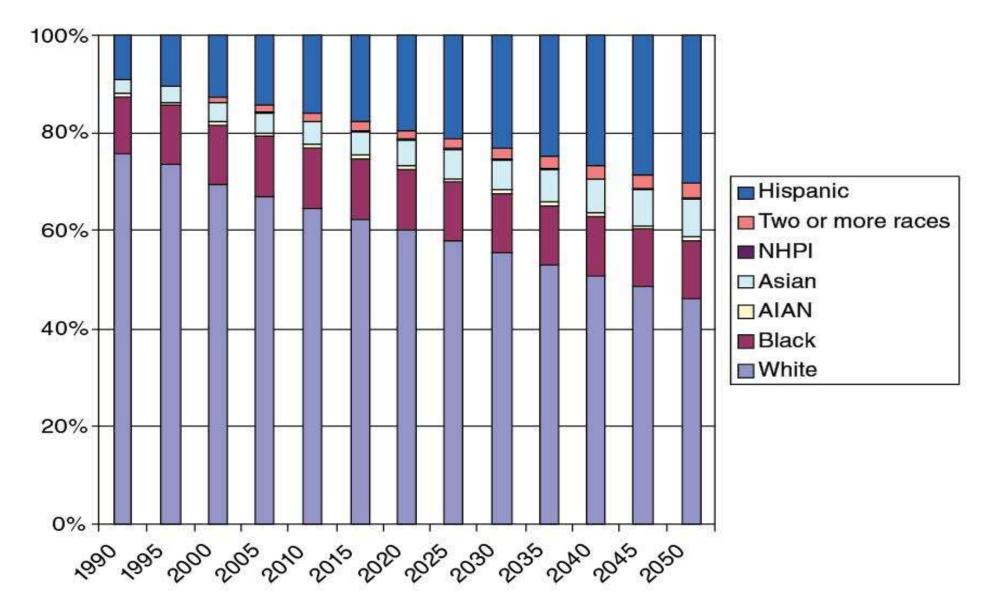
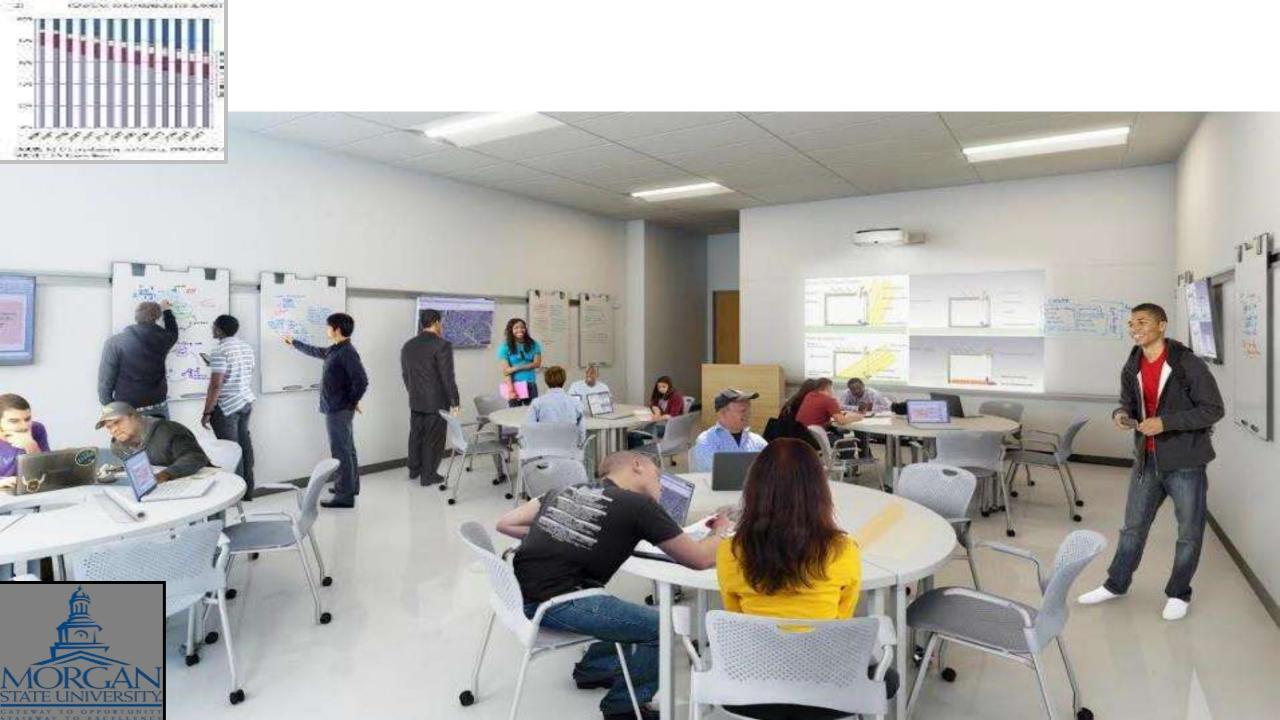
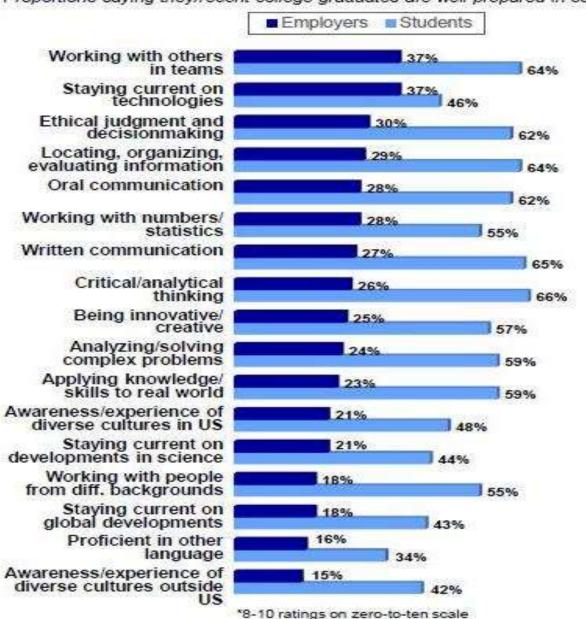


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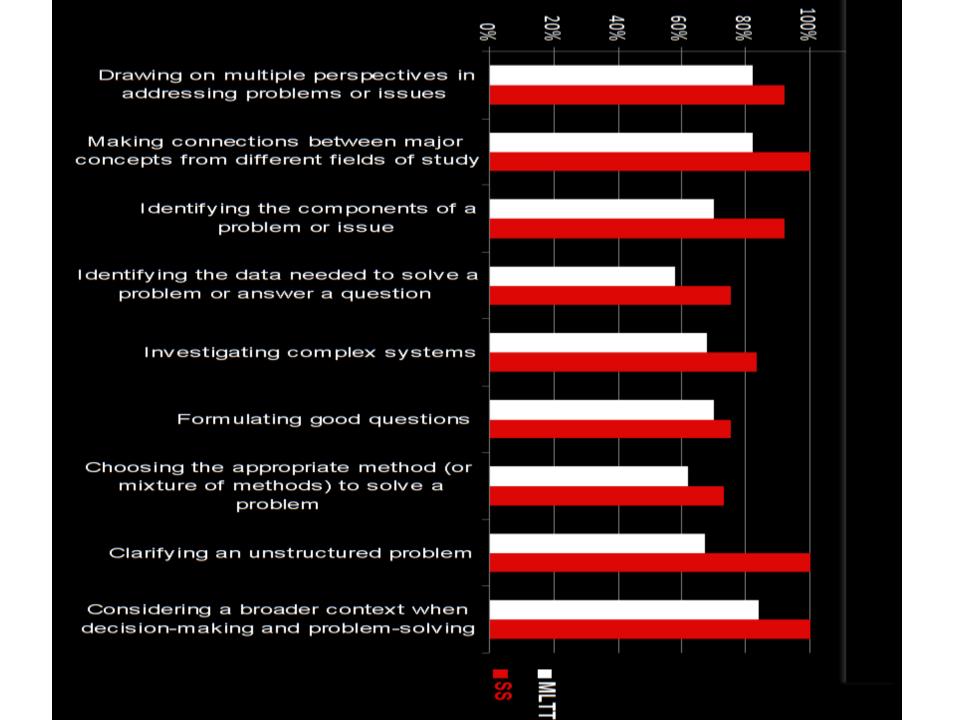


#### Employers give college graduates low scores for preparedness across learning outcomes; students think they are better prepared.

Proportions saying they/recent college graduates are well prepared in each area\*







# Bloom's Taxonomy of Learning (New Version)

Creating

Evaluating

Analyzing

Applying

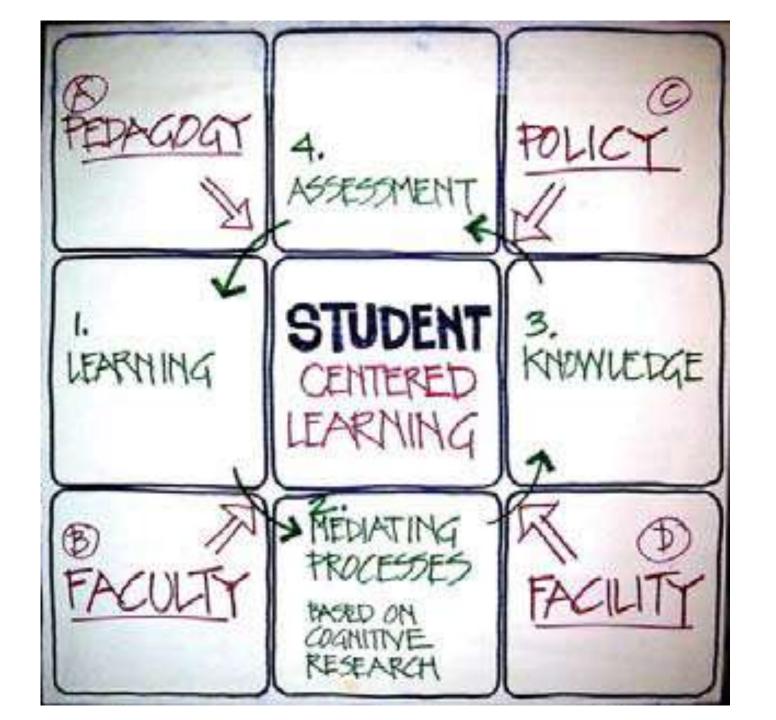
Understanding

Remembering

# Increasing difficulty



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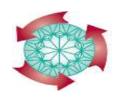
How I learn best is trying to figure out answers, working in groups to learn with and from my friends... when I don't know something I can usually find someone who can explain it to me.





I think we all learn better when we can see what others are doing...in a place where there are 'things' around that make it a good place for learning.





I like to work in teams to solve a problem.





I am a big-picture learner, so I have to understand from the beginning how what I am trying to learn fits into the larger picture of what I am learning.

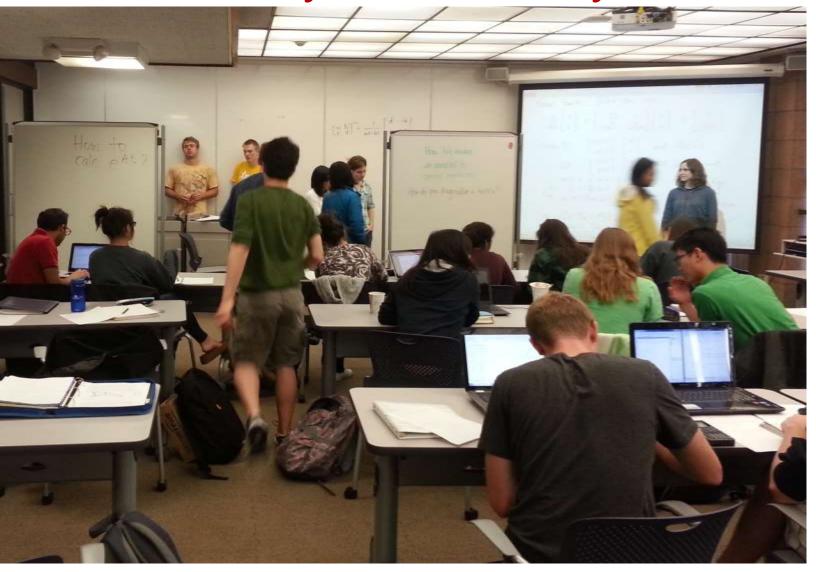




What works for me is when I can go back and forth between learning by myself and learning with my group.



The Harvey Mudd Story





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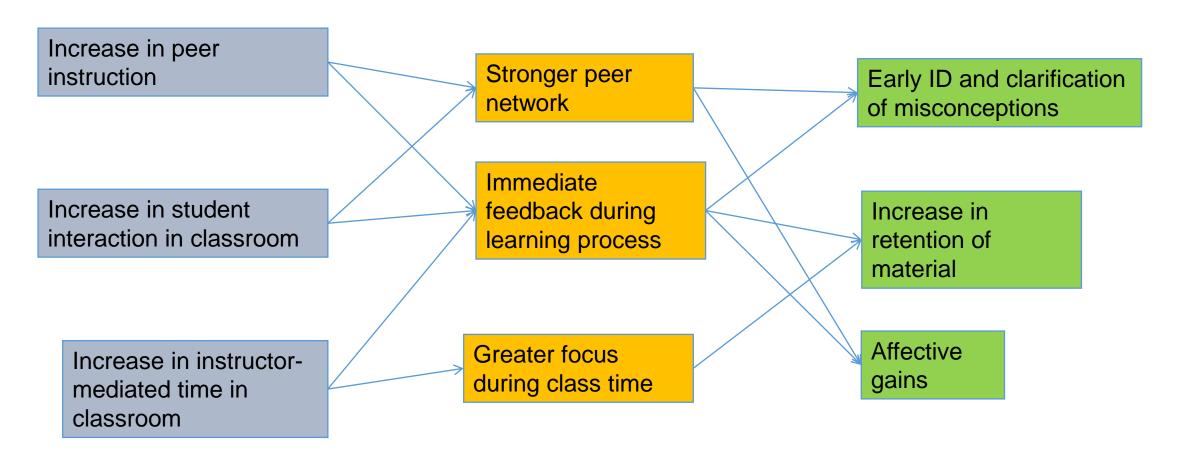
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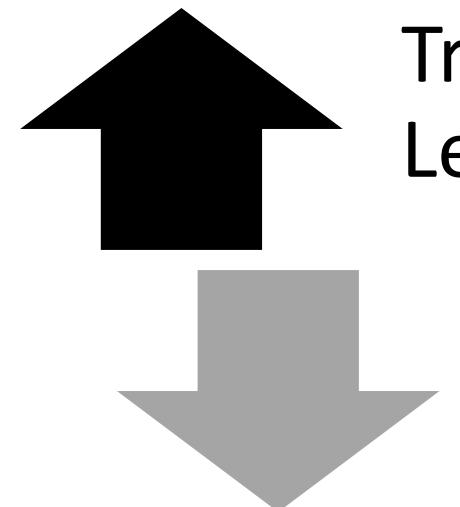
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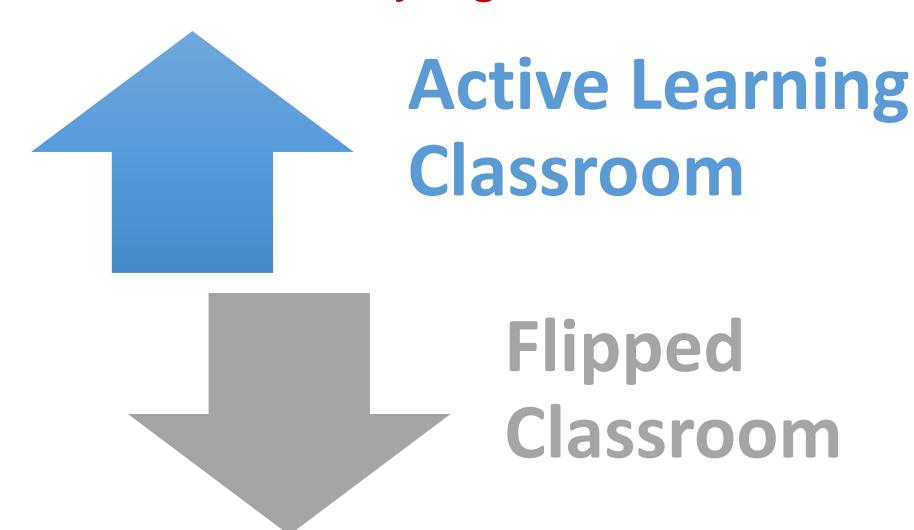
## We are NOT studying . . .



# Traditional Lecture

Flipped Classroom

# We ARE studying:



- 4 years
- 3 Instructors

- 2 Courses
  - Engineering 82: Chemical and Thermal Processes (SO/JR)
  - Math 45: Differential Equations (FR)
- Each instructor teaches control and inverted sections

# A Quasi-Experimental Study

#### **Research Questions**

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A Controlled Study of Teaching and Learning Outcomes in Undergraduate Engineering and Mathematics

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Repeat with new topic



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for control and flipped sections.

## About HMC



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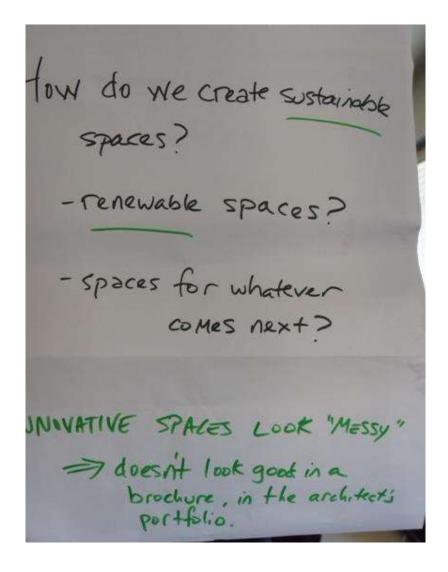
- "Not knowing how well they were really understanding the material until I saw HW scores and test performance"
- "Addressing individual needs of all students"



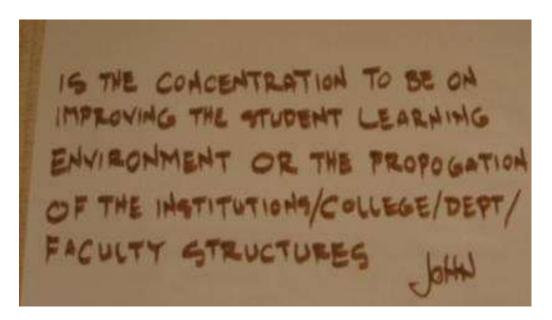
❖ What if we were designing spaces in 2020, what questions would we be asking then?

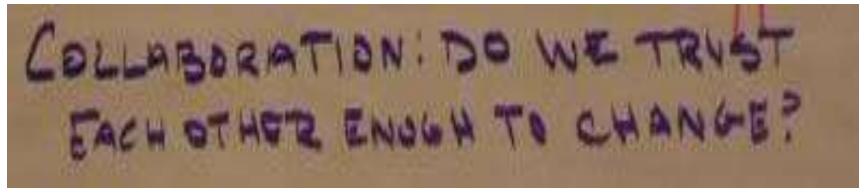


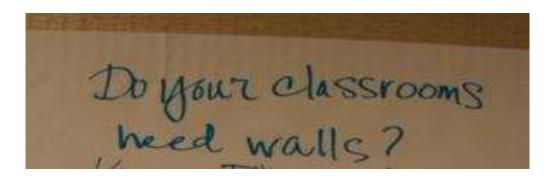




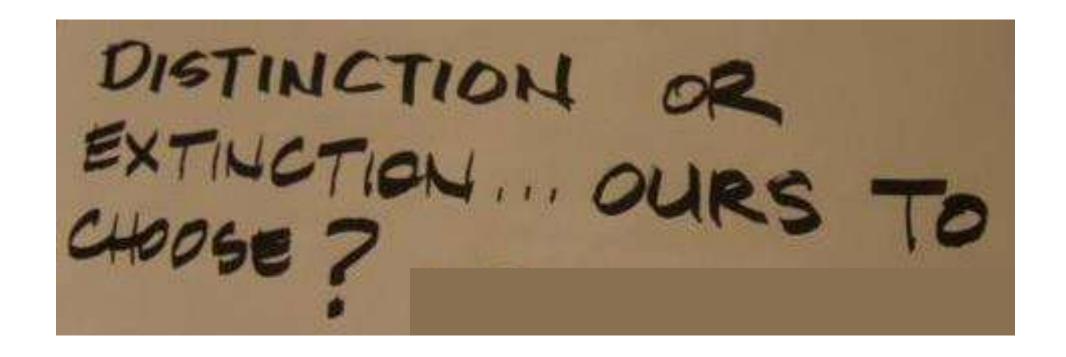








HOW DO WE TRANSFORM LEARNING SPACES, FORMAL & INFORMAL, TO EMABLE THE PRACTICE AND MUSTERY OF CREATIVE PROBLEM SOLVING? HOW DO WE ENTICE AND MOTIVATE AND INSPIRE OUR CLIENTS? WHY DOES THIS MATTER TO SEE THE OUR WORLD?





### WHAT DO WE WANT OUR LEARNERS TO BECOME?

WHAT EXPERIENCES MAKE THAT BECOMING HAPPEN?

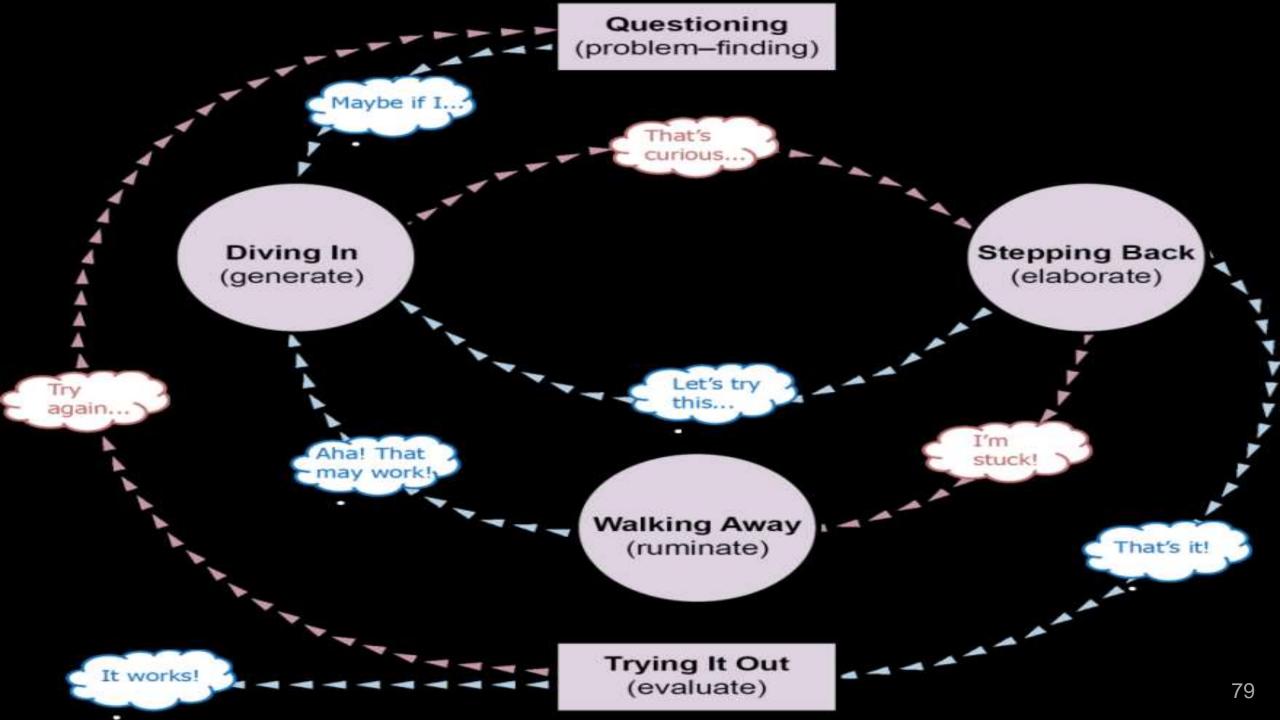
WHAT SPACES ENABLE THOSE EXPERIENCES?

HOW DO WE KNOW?

A Guide Planning for Assessing 21st Century Spaces for 21st Century Learners

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 Reframing the Concept of Maker Spaces: Maker Spaces Reinvented June 10, 2015