

Notes to young adults about Project Academy's Program



Issues/Background:

- Young Adults need additional skills for employment.
- They need an environment for collaborative-interdisciplinary learning.
- A growing number of young adults are finding it difficult to manage the complexities of life relating to the interface of society, schools and business.

Our program:

Will provide a holistic approach to supporting their entry into the work force. This includes logistics, community and organizational support. It will create a fun environment where they will be in a team that is solving a problem while learning life skills.

Develop skills that support being able to contribute in many jobs in a company. They will be learning such skills as problem solving, collaboration, creative and critical thinking, using a mind-set "like an owner" to learn skills to interact in a team environment.

Our focus will be on developing a unique mind-set to "think like you're in your own business!"

(Why does Project Academy think this?)



Uniqueness:

- Creating a team that operates like a sports team with values, roles, charter, and a culture.
- Connects with employers, provides logistics and follow-on supports
- Participants are involved in the ownership and management of the program.
- Creates a community culture of helping each other.
- Connects directly with learning life skills (College & Career Readiness Skills).
- Supports a joyful and playful creative attitude in the program. Puts a smile into the learning and fosters reaching for a dream.

Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see... Mark Twain



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