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Learning Initiatives for Wentworth Faculty

CONNECT is pleased to welcome Michael Horn, co-Author of *Disrupting Class: How Disruptive Innovation Will Change the Way the World Learns to the Wentworth Campus.*

October 19, 2009 | Beatty Faculty Dining Room

8:30am reception

9:00am guest lecture



Michael Horn will discuss the themes of his highly-regarded book on the future of education, "Disrupting Class: How Disruptive Innovation Will Change the Way the World Learns." The book outlines how disruptive innovations, specifically innovations in e-learning, can transform the educational system into one that effectively educates all students. Horn will explain why a new educational model – one that focuses on creating intrinsic motivation for each student by making learning customized for each individual and is driven by disruptive innovation – is moving in to uproot the old one and improve learning for everyone.

About Michael Horn

Michael Horn is the Executive Director, Education and co-founder of Innosight Institute, a non-profit think tank devoted to applying the theories of disruptive innovation to problems in the social sector.

He recently coauthored *Disrupting Class: How Disruptive Innovation Will Change the Way the World Learns* (McGraw-Hill: June 2008) with Harvard Business School professor and bestselling author Clayton M. Christensen and Curtis W. Johnson, president of The Citistates Group. *Business Week* named the book one of the 10 Best Innovation & Design Books of 2008 and *Newsweek* named it as the 14th book on its list of "Fifty Books for Our Times."

Disrupting Class uses the theories of disruptive innovation to identify the root causes of schools' struggles and suggests a path forward to customize an education for every child in the way she learns. Horn has been a featured keynote speaker at many conferences including the Virtual School Symposium and Microsoft's School of the Future World Summit.

Horn earned his MBA from Harvard Business School and an AB from Yale University, where he graduated with distinction in History.



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