Student Success Center Resource Library Video List

Video clips to supplement College Success textbooks. There is a critical thinking question to reinforce the main point and stimulate classroom discussion.

(CBS) If the bill for America's love affair with credit cards came due today, it would cost $600 billion dollars, an expensive affair. And now, the power of plastic is seducing the college crowd. Big profits are at stake, and, believe it or not, colleges are making millions of dollars for letting banks hawk their credit cards, right on campus. The General Accounting Office is taking a look at all this, as is Congress and a few states. Under pressure, some colleges are now kicking banks off campus. But, as 60 Minutes II Correspondent Vicki Mabrey reported earlier this year, all this concern comes too late for a mother who lost her child to the lure of plastic.

Brandon Tells His Story [Motion Picture]. United States: The Century Council
Brandon Tells His Story features Brandon Silveria, a permanently disabled man who crashed his car after drinking at age 17. Brandon and his father, Tony, tour America's high schools to educate students - over three million to date - about the dangers and consequences of drunk driving and underage drinking. In addition to the lecture program, their lifesaving message reaches thousands more students with a half-hour video and accompanying classroom activity guide that brings Brandon's story to high schools across the country.


Angelo Angelis, a professor at Hunter College in New York City, was recently grading some student papers on the story of Paul Revere when he noticed something strange. A certain passage kept appearing in his students' work, he said. It went like this, Angelis told Primetime's Charles Gibson: "Paul Revere would never have said, 'The British are coming, the British are coming,' he was in fact himself British, he would have said something like, 'the Red Coats are coming.' " Angelis typed the words into Google, and found the passage on one Web site by a fifth-grade class. Half a dozen of his college students had copied their work from a bunch of elementary school kids, he thought. The Web site was very well done, Angelis said. For fifth graders, he would give them an "A." But his college students deserved an "F". Lifting papers off the Internet is one of the newer trends in plagiarism — and technology is giving students even more ways to cheat nowadays.

These videos consist of numerous CNN News segments documenting current events that have taken place on college campuses nationwide, and discusses related topics that today's students face. Many of these short clips correspond with topics from the UNIV 100 course test, and would serve as excellent discussion starters. – Source: Bowling Green State University


One miracle after another occurs through the passion of one full time single father whose original intention was to reunite his 12-year-old daughter with her addicted mother. Deep in the heart of Utah, commonly referred to as “Happy Valley,” residents enjoy one of the lowest crime rates, highest literacy and language fluency - even the most Jell-O consumption - across the nation. Yet under the glossy exterior of this beautiful community, there are less popular categories that Happy Valley contends in but doesn’t advertise, including prescription drug abuse, double the national average of anti-depressant drugs, even suicide. In Happy Valley at least one teen per week dies from drug overdose. The real-life true story, Happy Valley, sheds light on the growing problem of prescription drug abuse in Utah County and, as importantly, the associated issues of denial, conformity, social pressure and guilt. The film intimately follows several lives and families that have been dramatically affected by prescription drug abuse leading to street drug abuse and addiction. From these stories and a single father’s journey to reunite a family emerge unconditional love, forgiveness, acceptance... even transformation.


Volume 1: Improving Your Grade
Volume 2: Lectures for Practice Notetaking

Video 1: Expanding your Cultural Awareness
Video 2: Developing your Diversity Skills
A video that shows the effect cultural back-ground can have on communication on campus

Your College Experience: Strategies for Success [Motion picture]. United States: South Carolina ETV.


Filled with straightforward guidance and practical knowledge, this program empowers young adults to get their financial lives on track and ‘give purpose to every penny.’ Hosted by actor Donald Faison (Clueless and TV’s Scrubs), the video raises fiscal awareness and builds financial skills in a wide variety of areas—from banking and credit to investing, budgeting, insurance, and self-employment. Insights from hip-hop icon Russell Simmons and

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other artists are combined with advice from leading personal finance experts, including New York Times money reporter Ron Lieber and author Beth Kobliner (Get a Financial Life: Personal Finance in Your Twenties and Thirties). Distributed by PBS Distribution. (60 minutes).