

# **IBM Academic Initiative - zEnterprise**

Round Table at University of Puerto Rico – Mayaguez

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# Agenda

Introductions

Why are we here?

How can IBM help?

#### **Business Leaders**

- 1. What does business consider to be a desirable college hire?
- 2. What are the business hiring needs as a result of pending retirements?

#### **University Faculty**

- 1. What curriculum exists that is creating the desirable college hire?
- 2. What curriculum can be adjusted to better prepare students for industry?
- 3. What are the faculty needs to include adjustments in existing curriculum?

#### Actions

- 1. Ideas for continuing dialogue between business, faculty, and students
- 2. What short term actions are possible to advance student preparation for industry responsibilities?

### Introductions

#### IBM

**Paul Newton**, Consulting IT Specialist zEnterprise Academic Initiative Technical Leader 25 years of enterprise IT experience before joining IBM in 1999

**Ramon Bauza**, zEnterprise Systems Programmer Independent Software Vendor (ISV) technical support Maintain zEnterprise environment used by ISVs world wide University of Puerto Rico graduate

Name, Title, Responsibilities

Business Leaders Name, Title, Industry, Responsibilities

University Faculty Name, College, Classes and/or Academia Responsibilities

### Why are we here?

Let's enjoy this opportunity to establish new professional relationships while discovering opportunities of mutual benefit



### The need for knowledge workers by 'digital' enterprises



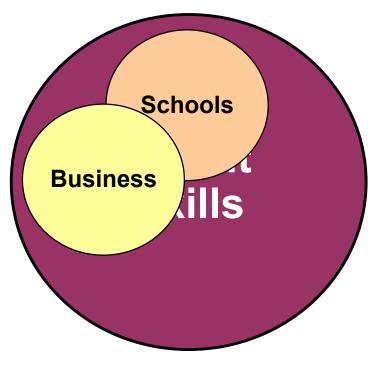
- 1. Exposure to technology used by industry
- 2. Competitive advantage by leveraging technology
- 3. Awareness of technology trends
- 4. Pipeline to learn from seniors approaching retirement

### **Continued transformation of curriculum**



- 1. Existing curriculum review
- 2. Opportunity to adjust curriculum to meet needs of 'digital' enterprises
- 3. Education not professional training
- 4. Exposing students to tools of industry and 'digital' enterprises

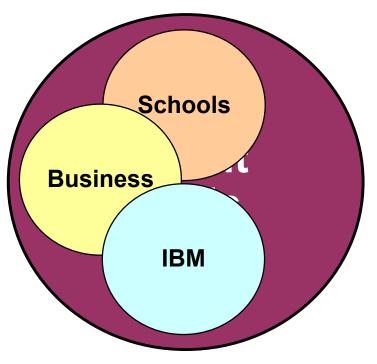
#### Need for continuous transformation and innovation



- 1. Strategic vision to advance competitive edge
- 2. Managing current inventory of tooling used for day to day operations
- 3. Highly experienced 'Baby Boomers' pending retirement
- 4. Succession planning of technicians, management, and executives

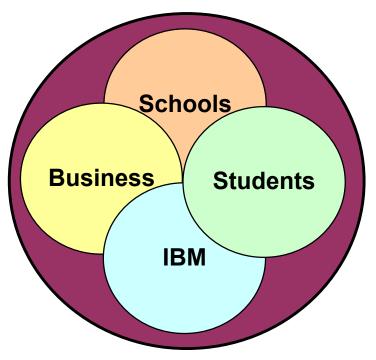
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### **IBM Academic Initiative**



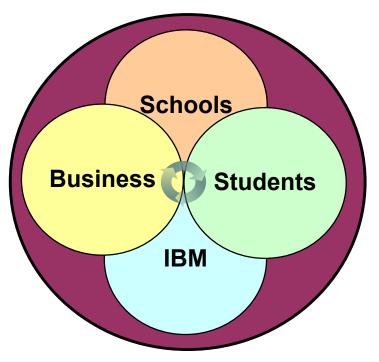
- 1. IBM stepped up relationship with schools in 2003
- 2. IBM clients began expressing concern about need to fill z Skills pipeline
- 3. Smarter Computing skills Analytics, Mobile, Security, Cloud, API Economy
- 4. Reaching the students with Master the Mainframe contest

### Jobs with significant responsibility



- 1. Good communication skills
- 2. Exposed to the computing tools used by large enterprises
- 3. Exposed to the computing trends that can advance competitive advantage
- 4. Bringing business and students together before graduation (internships, projects)

#### This is why we are here – Discuss and Act



- 1. What are the student pipeline needs of business?
- 2. What are the needs of faculty to help meet business student pipeline needs?
- 3. How to inform students of updated curriculum to help them find jobs?
- 4. How can IBM help?

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### How can IBM help?

# **IBM Academic Initiative**

Building skills for a Smarter Planet

Welcome

Teaching topics

Community

Membership

#### http://www.ibm.com/academicinitiative

Access to

- 1. Software used by industry
- 2. Hardware
- 3. Course material
- 4. Technical ambassadors

Master the Mainframe Contest Send note to <u>zskills@us.ibm.com</u> Request to be on distribution list

zEnterprise specific opportunities

#### What is a Mainframe?

Search



#### **Business Leaders**

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Leadership Communication Skills Teamsmanship

**Business Sense** 

Desire to Contribute

#### **Technology Exposure**

Mentorship

Innovative

Positive Attitude

Work Ethic

**Professional Behavior** 

# **University Faculty**

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Analytics

Mobile

**Big Data** 

#### **Enterprise Computing**

Cloud

Security

**API Economy** 

### Actions

Ideas for continuing dialogue between business, faculty, and students

Short term actions to advance student preparation for industry responsibilities

Team highly experienced associates with faculty

Team early career hires with faculty

Guest speaking engagements Business Leaders Technical Leaders Early Career Hires

Review curriculum for update opportunities

New course opportunities

### **Tomorrow's zEnterprise Computing Workshop**

9:00	Why include Enterprise Computing in Curriculum
9:30	IBM Available Resources
10:15	Break
10:30	zEnterprise Computing Environment Overview
12:00	Lunch
1:00	z/OS and z/VM Navigation Demonstration Marist College IBM Innovation Center Hub
2:15	Break
2:30	Business Application Development Demonstration 3270 Interface FTP and SSH Interface Rational Developer for zEnterprise (Eclipse IDE)
3:30	How and Where to Begin

