The Work and Education Connection
SYLLABUS

Spring 2011 - 37:575:362:01
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A used copy of these books, can be purchased on-line
Most books cost $1.00 each + plus shipping
Mike Rose: Lives on the Boundary
Ernest Boyer, College: The Undergrad Experience in America

Readings: https://sakai.rutgers.edu/portal
Ray Marshall and Mark Tucker, Thinking for a Living, pp. 3-27.
James Rosenbaum, Beyond College for All, 108-131
Mike Rose: The Mind at Work, pp. 141-167, 195-216

Class Schedule:

Jan 22  Lesson 1 - Introduction to the Work and Education Connection
- What Kind of Work (and Life) Does School Prepare You For?

Jan 29  Lesson 2 - Your College Experience
Reading: Marshall and Tucker, 3-27. Thinking for a Living

Feb 5   Lesson 3 - Social Class and Higher Education
Reading: Rose, Lives on the Boundary, Chapters 1-3

Feb 12  Lesson 4 - Literate Stirrings
Rose, Lives on the Boundary, Chapters 4-6
What Kind of Work (and Life) Does School Prepare You For?
DUE ASSIGNMENT 1 - A five page essay, describing your education in elementary and secondary school addressing the question: In what ways did it resemble and/or differ from the mass educational experience described by Marshall and Tucker?

Feb 19  Lesson 5 - The Politics of Higher Education for the American Workforce
Reading: Rose, Lives on the Boundary, Chapters 7-8

Feb. 26  Lesson 6: The Mission of a College Education
Readings: Boyer, College, the Undergraduate Experience, Chapters 1-2 and Epilogue pp. 286-297

Mar 5   Lesson 7 - The Academic Program
Readings: Boyer, College, the Undergraduate Experience, Chapters 5-7
- Campus Life
Reading: Boyer, College, the Undergraduate Experience, Chapters 11-12

Mar. 12  Mid Term Exam 1

Mar. 19  Lesson 9 - (SPRING RECESS)

Mar 26  Lesson 10 - Fitting Patterns to Purposes/Graduation and Beyond
Reading: Boyer, College, the Undergraduate Experience, Chapters 14-18
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Apr 2 Lesson 11 - What America’s Economy Needs: Educated Labor
Reading: Reich, The Work of Nations, pp. 81-109, 171-191

DUE Assignment 2 Write a 5 page essay answering the following questions: Why did you choose Rutgers?
Analyze your college education to date in response to the questions posed by Boyer on pp. 286-297

Apr 9 Lesson 12 - What Work Requires of Schools
Reading: Reich, The Work of Nations, pp. 195-225

Apr 16 Lesson 13 - Is There a Labor Shortage?
Rosenbaum, Beyond College For All, 108-131

Apr 23 Lesson 14 - The Mind at Work
Readings: Rose: The Mind at Work, 141-167, 195-216

Apr 30 Lesson 15 - Mid Term Exam 2

Assignments/Exams

Assignment 1, DUE Feb. 12. Write a five page, double spaced essay, describing your education in elementary and secondary school, addressing the question: In what ways did it resemble and/or differ from the mass educational experience described by Marshall and Tucker?

Assignment 2, DUE Apr. 2 Write a five page essay answering the following questions: Why did you choose Rutgers? Analyze your college education to date in response to the questions posed by Boyer on pp. 286-297

Mid Term Exam 1 Mar 12
Mid Term Exam 2 Apr 30

Grading:
Attendance and participation in class constitute 20%
Writing assignment 1 constitutes 20%
Writing assignment 2 constitutes 20%
Mid Term Exam 1 20%
Mid Term Exam 2 20%

Notice: You will be expected to follow the Rutgers University policy on attendance and academic integrity. Cite your sources. Quote when you are using their words. If you are not sure of how to cite or quote, refer to: http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/lib_instruct/lib_instruct.shtml#writing_guides

ABSOLUTELY NO CELL PHONE OR LAPTOP USE IN THE CLASSROOM. If you are expecting an emergency call, let me know before class.