**Blended Learning** 

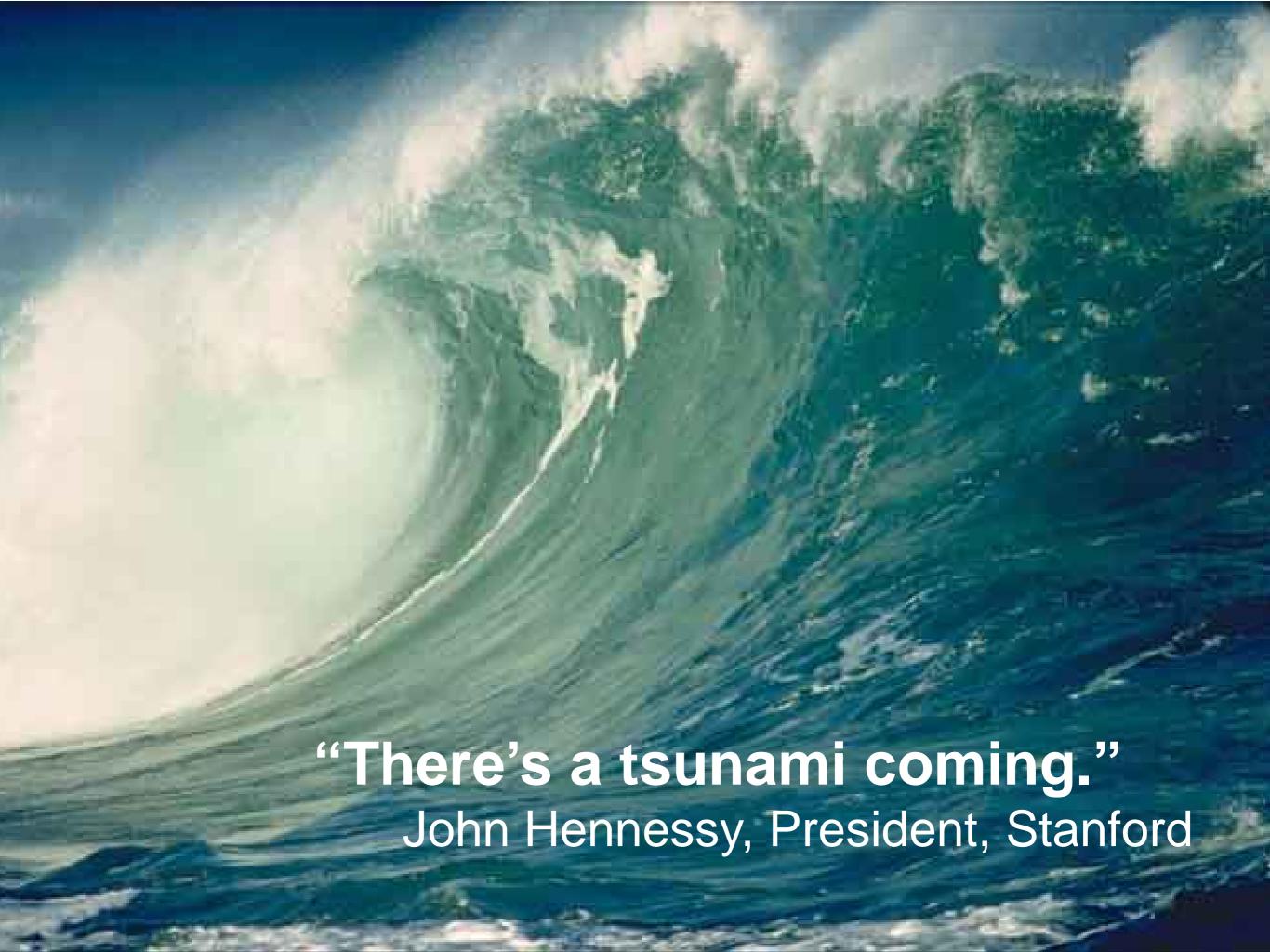
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# making headlines a lot of high visibility experiments







# elite universities moving aggressively online









just committed \$60m to offer free online courses

# private initiatives elite university branding

#### Coursera

#### **Education. Everywhere.**

We offer courses from the top universities, for free!

Learn from the best professors by watching high quality lectures, achieving mastery via interactive assignments, and collaborating with a global community of students.



Stanford University | Planned Launch: April 23









### 'Coursera'

founded by two Stanford professors

humanities, social sciences, mathematics, engineering

partnering with prestigious universities

# 'open education' different models

- < Non for profit
- Financed by donations
- < Video tutorials collection
- Interactive exercises
- Volunteer-based, peer-to-peer tutoring



- + Pedagogical value of its videos
- + Peer component

# 'open education' different models

- Founded by Stanford professors
- Funding: Venture capital
- < Video lectures
- < Tasks student completes on his/her own</p>
- Interactive exercises
- < Exams
- Certificate & grade/ranking upon successful completion of course



+ Quality (content & faculty)

## 'open education' - other examples different models







## blended learning?





# "to blend": to combine two or more things into an integrated whole



### blended learning

### key ingredients?



### key success factor?





## IE's blended methodology

http://youtu.be/BjfZFL2wVjg





# blended programs

# locating what we do successfully adapting the MBA to the blended environment

#### business model still evolving:

- brand building
- < charge per course
- < advertising

#### business model very clear:

< pay for program and degree, just like traditional



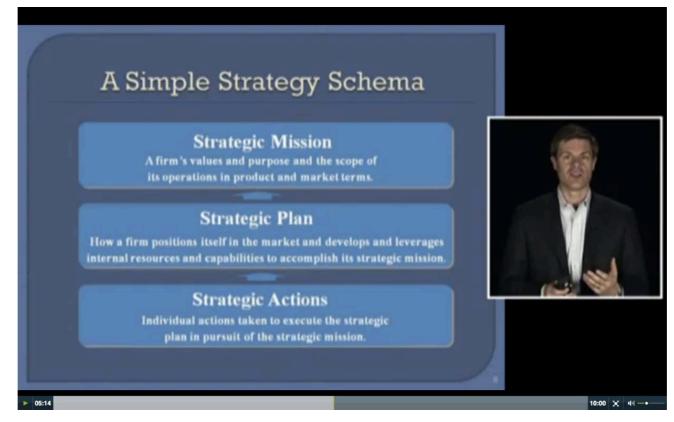














#### evening or weekend program

< limitations?



#### modular program

< limitations?



#### animated lectures

< limitations?



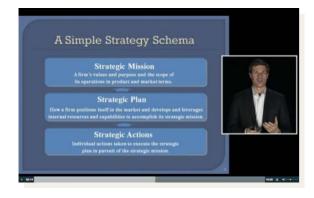
#### evening or weekend program

- < limited offering
- < little or no participant diversity



#### modular program

- frequent and costly travel
- < considerable time away from the office



#### animated lectures

- < little or no interactivity
- < not very effective

#### "to blend:" to combine two or more things into an integrated whole







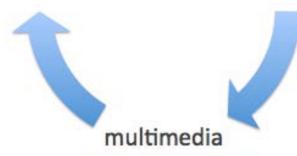






F2F

online





#### blended program

- diverse, global learning community
- interactive, group based learning
- c embedded learning at the workplace
- < minimizes time away from the office
- high degree of flexibility

### blended programs

#### the IE Business School model



#### "to blend:" to combine two or more things into an integrated whole

- < started in 2001
- < 8 different programs
- < no program is entirely online</p>
- IE Brown Executive MBA costs \$95,000

- < Mix F2F & online
  - < asynchronous discussion forums
  - < synchronous video-conferences
  - < From 50% to 90% online
- Small class size, high participation levels
- < Faculty-led
- < Structured
- Start F2F: build learning community

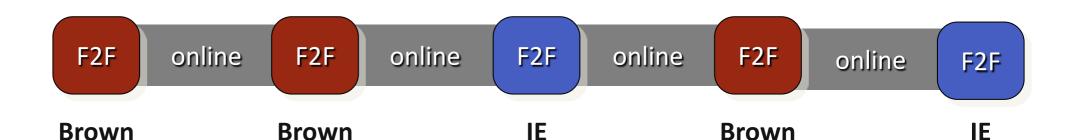


## blended programs the IE Business School model



#### **IE-Brown EMBA**

15 months6.5 weeks F2F50% online



#### **Global EMBA**

13 months6.5 weeks F2F60% online



#### **Global MBA**

15 months 2 weeks F2F 90% online



## Executive MBA (in Spanish)

13 months 6 weeks F2F 60% online



## blended programs the IE Business School model

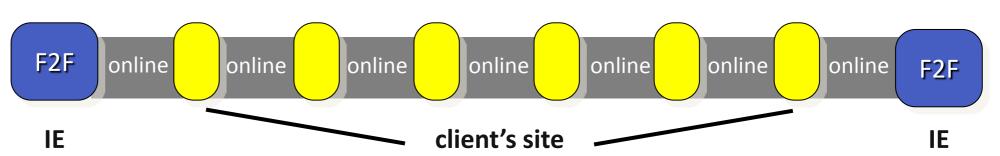


### **Corporate Custom MBA**

12 months

F2F: 2 wks + 6 long weekends

50% online



## **Advanced Management Program**

6 months

2 weeks F2F

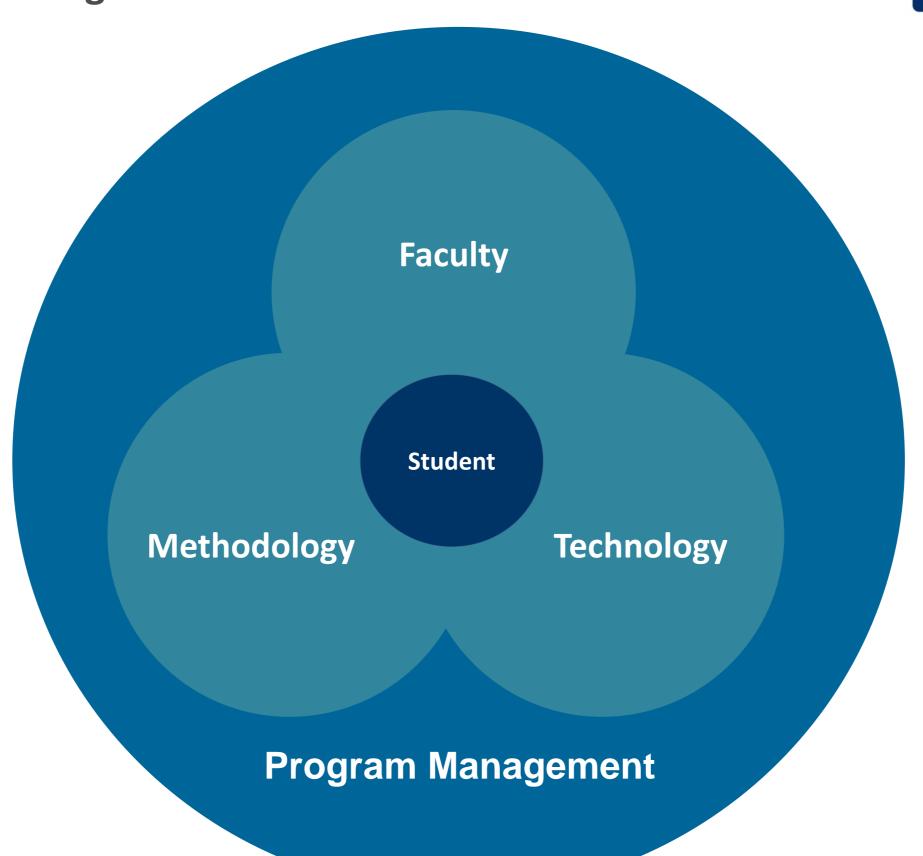
30% online



blended learning



experience



#### face-to-face modules

- < Duration: 5 12 days
- < Number of Periods: 2 5
- < 12 hours / day
- Work with concepts & skills which are optimally developed face-to-face (seminars, workshops, conferences, visits)
- Some modules: themed ('Perspectives')
- **Oynamic interaction** with professors and classmates
- Live International Experiences & Networking
   Shanghai, Silicon Valley, Sao Paulo, Boston,
   Madrid, etc.
  - Academic Partners









### online periods

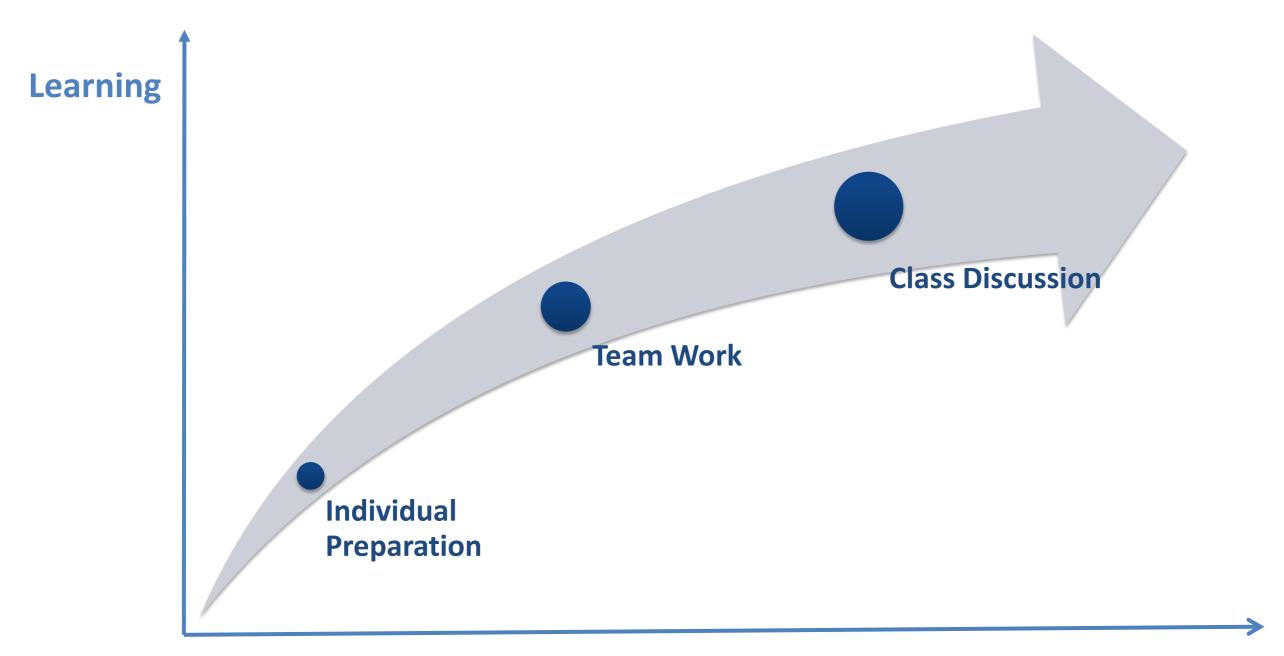
- IE Campus (platform): high quality learning & communication environment
- < Virtual teamwork and constant interaction
- < Small groups, high participation level
- Professor's key role: orchestrator of the class discussion
- < Detailed activity planning
- < Flexibility
- Working Time: from 20 to 30 hrs / week
- < <u>Embedded</u> learning







## online methodology case method



### individual preparation



Solving problems: Helpdesk IE Tel. +34 91 568 96 23

analysis based on students' experiences





detailed weekly planning

guidelines / questions

#### 2010 -- Preperation for session 4.

Thank you all for your contributions last week during our face-face sessions in Lor

While you have already started your group assignments (due monday October 4),

As a group, choose a business (you have all already done this)

- 1. Define the business goals/objectives (some of you have started this, but were s
- 2. Define the key online KPIs (can only be done after you have defined business g
- 3. Define the relevant metrics that should be measured for this site. (can only be d

### team work

different team each term

private team space on IE online campus

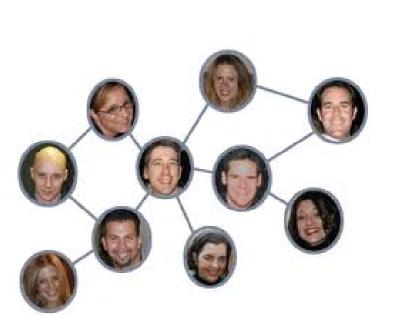
the team's success is the team's responsibility

360º peer feedback

compulsory participation all team members







### class discussion

#### online

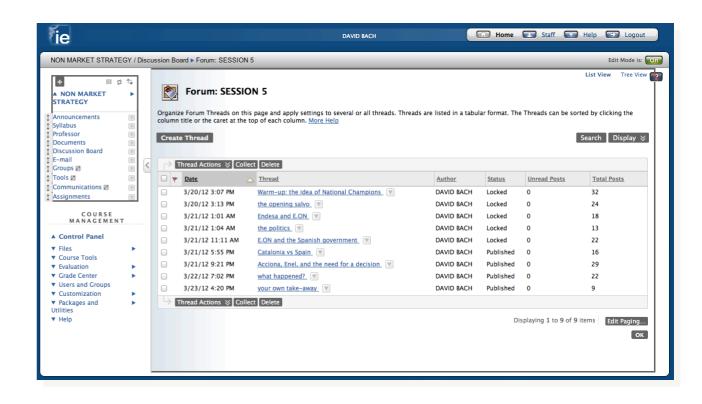


### synchronous





### asynchronous

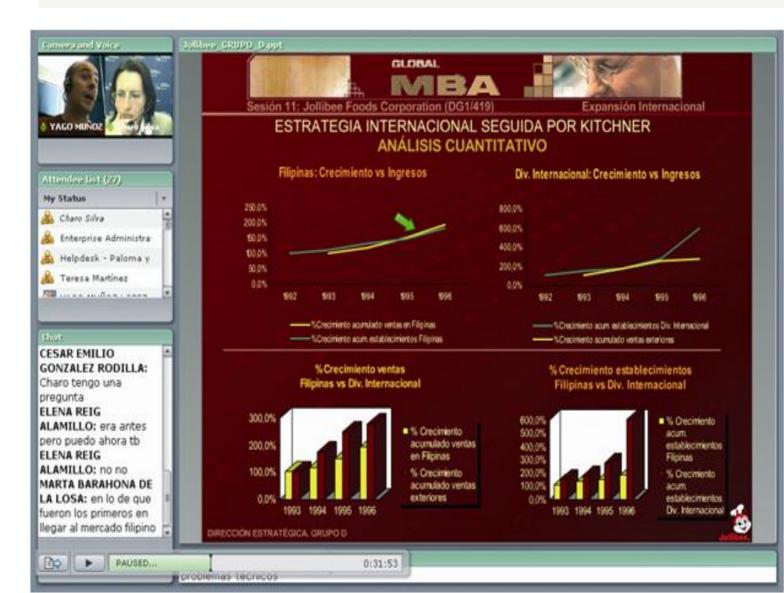


# synchronous live videoconferences

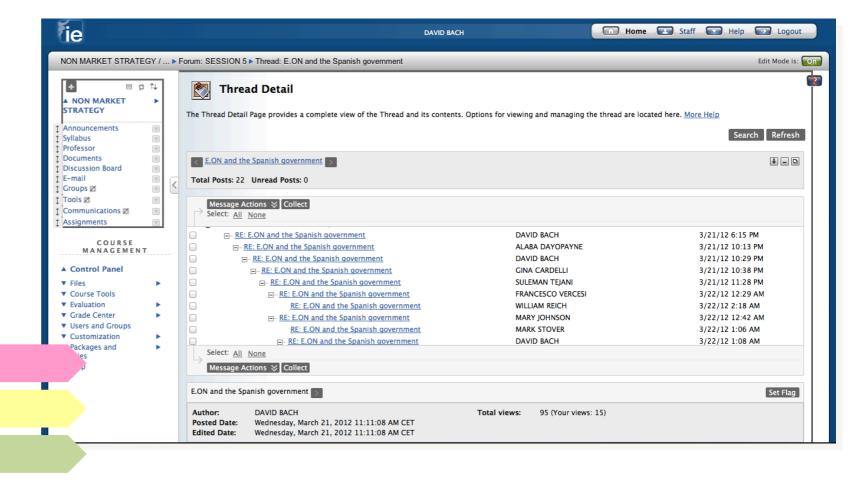
1.5 hrs interactive classes







# asynchronous discussion forums



Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat Sun

Forum 1 (e.g. Mktg)

Forum 2 (e.g. HR)

Forum 3 (e.g. Strategy)

- Asynchronous Forums: Professor + Students
- Structured: discussion is monitored by professor
- From Tuesday 3pm to Friday 7pm (CET)
- < 2 to 3 forums per week (depending program)</p>
- 1 forum = 1 class session
- Additional: Virtual Café





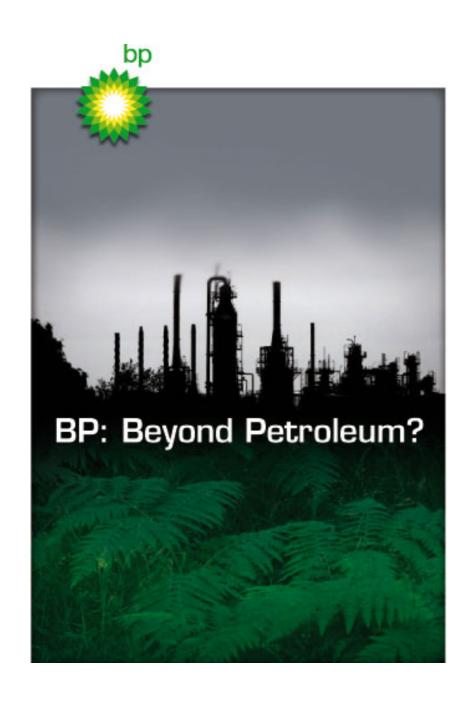
# Students and the IE Blended experience

http://youtu.be/a5iRygeFxcM

Students of different IE Blended programs share their thoughts on this methodology

# multimedia materials cases, technical notes, simulators





### **IE Multimedia**

http://multimedia.ie.edu/multimedia/index\_i.html

http://openmultimedia.ie.edu/fichas/\_novedad\_i.html

#### IE Campus mobile

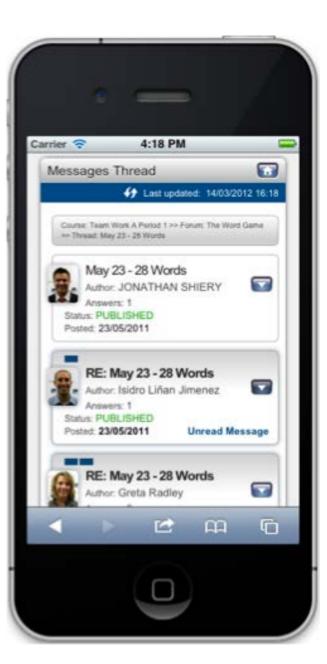
### blended programs

### online modules - ubiquitous mobile access





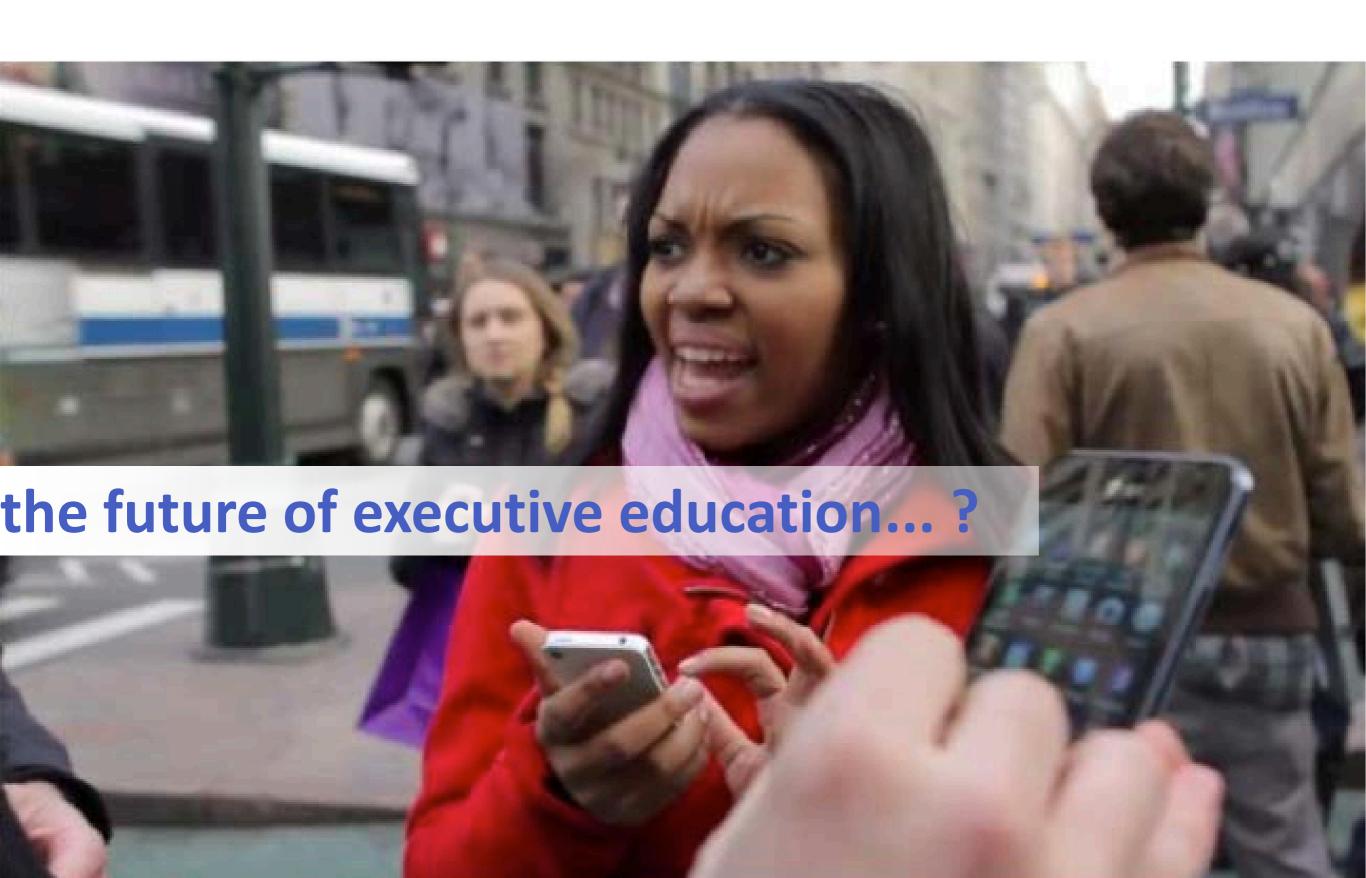






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## the "Starbucks model" of growth more stores, not bigger stores



The rate-limiting factors on the production side are

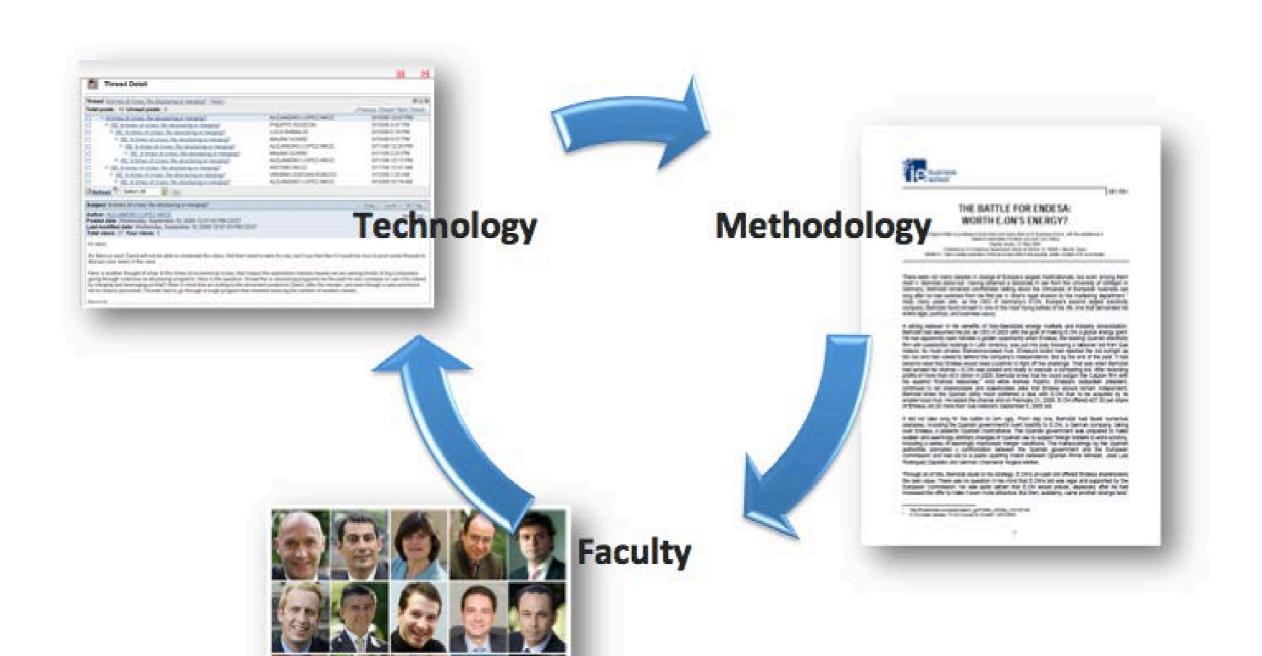
qualified, well-trained professors as well as

highly-skilled program directors

to ensure a consistently outstanding learning experience

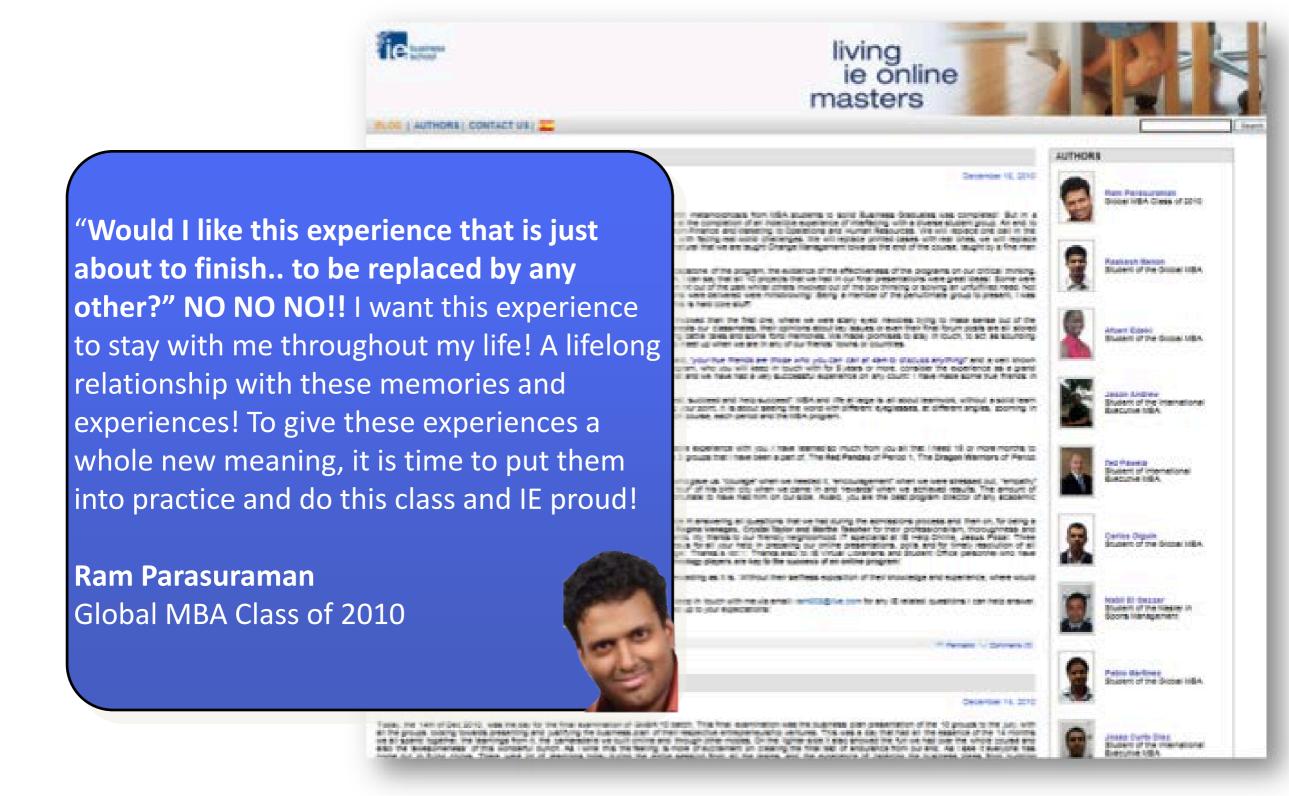
### two important insights

### #1 it's not about technology, it's about alignment



### two important insights

#### #2 we must offer an experience, not just an education





## thank you

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