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# "New Majority" College Students Are Looking for Something Different

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DOWNERS GROVE, Ill., June 9, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- For decades, students with full-time jobs, families at home or several years between credit hours were considered outliers, or "non-traditional students." Today, however, they constitute nearly 75 percent of America's undergraduate student body, according to the National Center for Education Statistics. This "New Majority" consists of working adults who are managing the demands of school, work and family life, and are looking at higher education with a different set of expectations and priorities.

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At schools like DeVry University, the New Majority students are finding the flexibility they need. Whether they're looking for flexible course schedules, stackable certification programs or the ability to mix and match different modes of immersive learning, these students turn to DeVry University for degree programs and skill sets that can be immediately applied in the workplace.

Meet three New Majority graduates and learn more about what today's college student is searching for in higher education:

- **Felipe Dugrot, network support engineer, GE Healthcare**
  - Dugrot worked full-time and raised two children while taking classes at DeVry University's campus in Chicago. He earned his bachelor's degree in network and communications management, and is a solutions support engineer.
- **Andres Hernandez, data engineer, American Express**
  - Hernandez worked several jobs and launched a music startup in Phoenix while he attended DeVry University. He earned his bachelor's degree in computer and information sciences and support services, and is a data engineer.
- **Thomas Wolfe, plant controller, Sapa Extrusions**
  - A father of four, Wolfe worked full-time at Sapa Extrusions while enrolled at DeVry University in Atlanta. He earned his bachelor's degree in technical management with a specialization in business intelligence and analytics management, and is a plant controller.

"Non-traditional students like Thomas, Andres and Felipe value hands-on, immersive learning opportunities that give them the skills to make an immediate impact on the job," said Scarlett Howery, group president of DeVry University in Atlanta. "These students had specific career goals and needed the flexibility and resources that could help them acquire the necessary skills for their career paths, without pressing the 'pause' button on the rest of their lives."

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