

Here is your chance to <u>Meet A Drexel Dragon!</u>

Read the thoughts of a Drexel Alumni before becoming a member of our Prestigious student body!



Meet Rick Kantor!

Program of Study - *Creativity & Innovation (MS) / Graduation Date - August 2015*Current Job Title - Adjunct Faculty - Drexel University (Creativity and Innovation Department), Consultant, Speaker and Coach

As an Alumni, what did you enjoy most about the Creativity & Innovation program?

"I liked the flexibility and the encouragement to take on creative projects, and fulfill assignments in ways that interested me. As a result, I produced creative pieces of Art and writing I never would have achieved otherwise."

Identify your favorite instructor(s)/course(s) in the Creativity & Innovation masters program and briefly describe why you have chosen them?

"The top 3 stand outs were Dr. Fredricka Reisman, Larry Keiser, and David Paredes. Each instructor demonstrated a depth of knowledge. In this field, none better than Dr. Reisman, each had their own expertise either as consultant or educator. All demonstrated encouragement, active participation and effective feedback.

Course materials for all classes were also always well chosen. Creativity in the Workplace (CRTV 503) was my favorite class. Also, the Historical Concepts of Creativity (CRTV 640)."

Were you new to online learning when you began your Academic Program of Study?

"Yes. However, I soon realized you don't need to be tech savvy to succeed at online learning. Tech support was always available, 24/7. I also loved the asynchronicity."

How did the MS in Creativity & Innovation program help you to achieve your career goals?

"If I worked within a company, I'm sure I'd be effectively using my Creative skill-set immediately. As an entrepreneur, putting the learning's to work takes a little more time. But I know I have the skills I need.

One thing I loved in the program was that I got a chance to take electives of my choosing in education, communication, and organizational development. Great classes!"

Do you have any advice for someone thinking about an education program at Drexel School of Education?

"I would recommend to consider both this program and all the other facilities you have access to, whether that's the library online, or the gym or the other departments whose classes you can take.

Can you find the range of education and curriculum topics you might be looking for? Drexel's program has great depth and breadth. I've been very impressed with the educators I've had as students in my Drexel graduate classes."

Are there any accomplishments (publications, presentations, and/or special achievements) that you would like to share that was a result of your degree/expertise?

"Yes. I have had several papers published in conference books, a keynote to HR professionals in Sri Lanka and Sonoma State University, and written a chapter in a forthcoming Talent Management book."

Is there anything else you would like to share?

"I only know of 2 degree programs in Creativity and Innovation in the U.S., and Drexel's allows a person to work from home while achieving a Masters!"

Lastly, if you had to describe Drexel School of Education in one word, what would that word be?

"Well-rounded!"