Bridging Personal Passion with Campus Mission

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Find a Person That Shares one of your Passions & or Interests

Examples:
Michigan or Michigan State
Labor unions
Hockey
Detroit Lions
Buy American
Using your hand to explain where you’re from
Check-in

Choose one and share with a neighbor.

**Difference:** How has the past couple of days influenced your thinking today? Share any personal shifts from recent conversations.

**Story:** What's a recent story or lesson that deeply resonates with you? It could be something you heard or experienced.

**Impact:** What impact do you wish to make on fellow participants during our session today?
Passion

Defined:

Passion is the experience of strongly identifying with an activity, feeling motivated to engage in it, and experiencing positive affect when doing it.

Chen et al., 2020; Vallerand et al., 2003
Some Benefits of Passion

Persistence
Commitment
Positive affect
The experience of flow
Well-being
Physical health, and performance

Vallerand and Houlefort, 2003; Cardon et al., 2009; Perttula and Cardon, 2011; Vallerand et al., 2014; Chen et al., 2015; Vallerand, 2017
How passionate are you about your college’s mission?

Low:
Consider adopting a develop mindset:
The belief that passion is developed over time toward a career or subject major or cause.

High:
Either a develop or fit mindset will lead to motivated state.

Vocational passion, satisfaction, and commitment

Chen and Ellsworth, 2019
Passion Cultivation Strategies

When Passion is Low

1. Seek an appreciation for how the cause relates to their life and personal goals or to society.

2. Gain familiarity with the cause.

3. Seek out inspirational teachers or motivating environments.

Hulleman and Harackiewicz, 2009; Hulleman et al., 2010; Yeager et al., 2014a; Zajonc, 1968; Reber and Lewis, 1977; Midgley et al., 1989; Blumenfeld et al., 2005
Desired Future

What are your academic goals?

What are your career goals?

What are your personal development goals?

What would you like to happen in society?