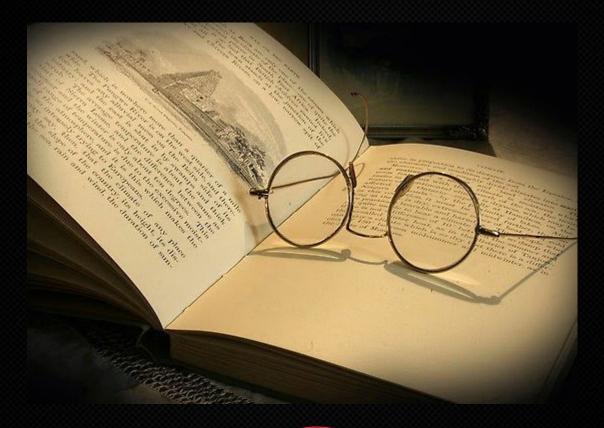


# Adapting to Digital and Adaptive Learning with Blackboard: The Case of MEF University

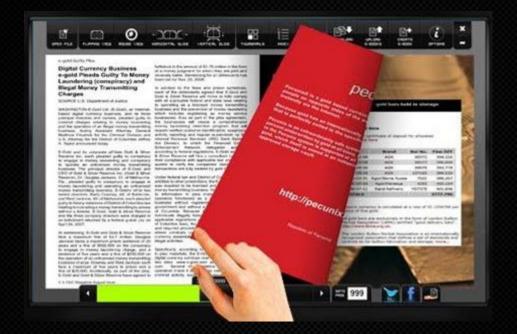
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# Books



#### E-Books





#### Digital and Adaptive Books Platforms



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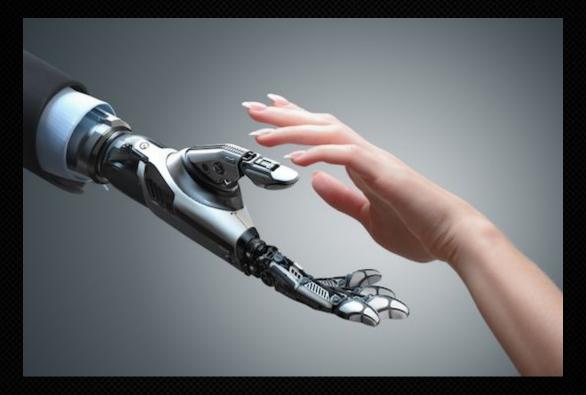


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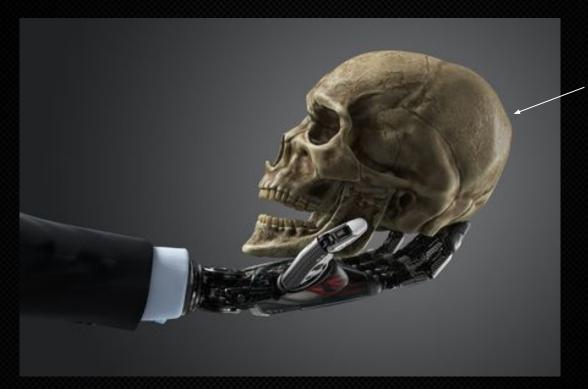


### This?



Technology vs. Instructors

#### ...or this?



Instructor

Technology vs. Instructors

#### **MEF University**

Founded by **İbrahim Arıkan**, primarily a Physics Teacher, creator of MEF Schools and a successful businessman, the vision was set to be an innovative university in the way the education they provide.



(1941 - 2016)



#### **MEF University**

Proposed by founder **Rector Muhammed Şahin**, our University embraced *flipped approach* to learning and teaching as their global educational philosophy from day 1.

As a young University, established in 2012 and begin to accept students in 2014. We celebrated our first Bachelor graduation last June 2018.



#### **MEF University**

5 Faculties (15 Bachelor)

2 Institutes (13 Masters)

200+ instructors

3300 students.

We are 4, working at Research Center for Learning and Teaching Practices (CELT)

Workshops, 1-1 Trainings, Writing, Speaking and EdTech.

Using Blackboard since our foundation

Blackboard



### Dinçer Özoran



#### **Currently**

at MEF University as Vice Director at Research Center for Learning and Teaching Practices (CELT)

#### **Previously**

at Atılım University Computer Engineering Department as a TA for 9 years.

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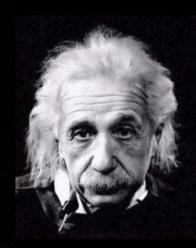
#### **Currently**

writing his PhD thesis on **Flipped Learning** at EdTech Program of METU

#### **Previously**

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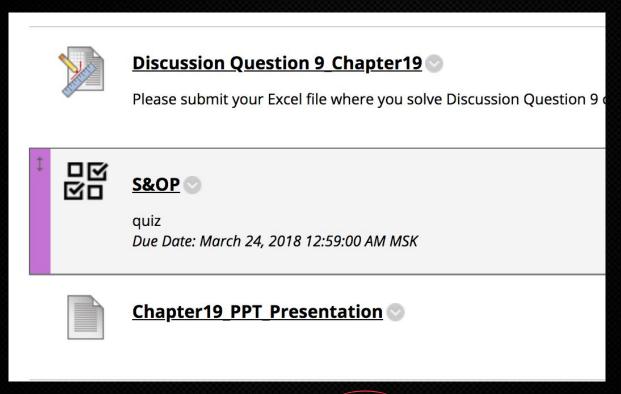
The only thing that interferes with my learning is my education.

-Albert Einstein

Passionate about **Education**.

Believes that education should be for people to **develop their own way** to contribute to society.

#### Another Digital and Adaptive Learning Day...





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eText



**Critical Thinking Exercises** 



Interactive Lecture



**End of Chapter Exercises** 



Study Plan



**Document Makeovers** 



Flashcards



**Comprehensive Exam** 



Video Exercises



Assisted-graded Writing Assignments

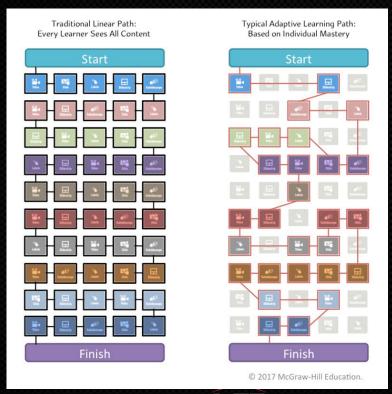


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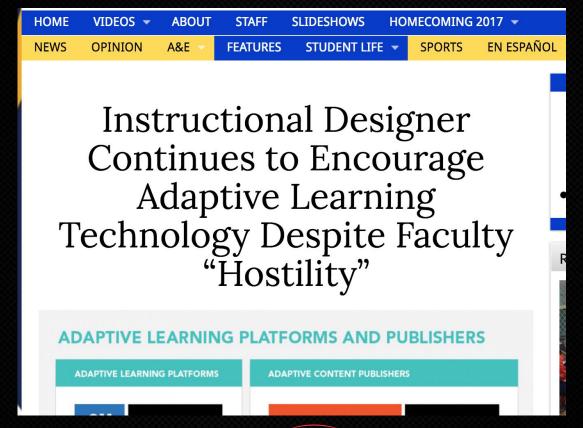


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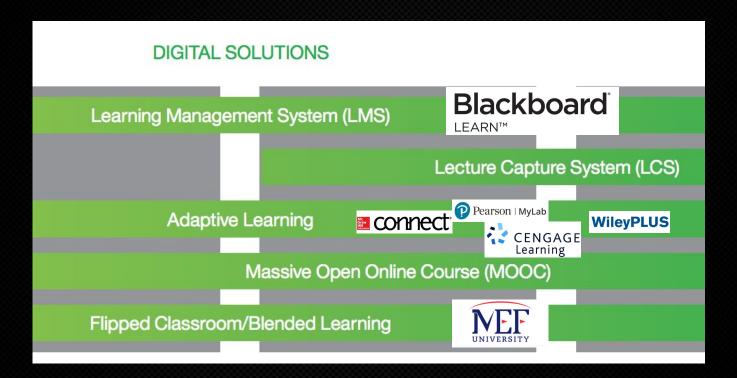


#### Is it Easy to Make a Change in Academy?





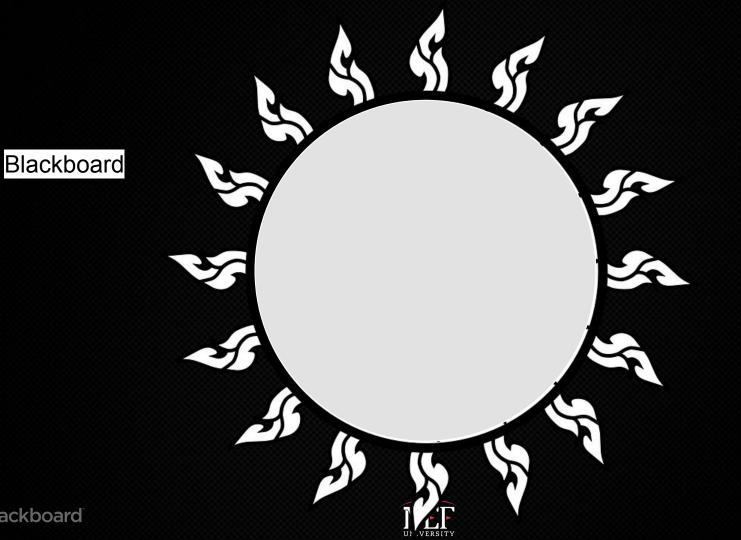
#### Today's Digital Solutions for Education



Source: IBM, April 2016

Blackboard

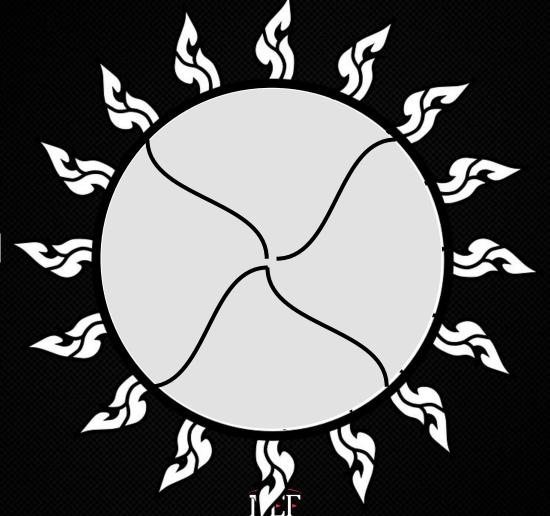




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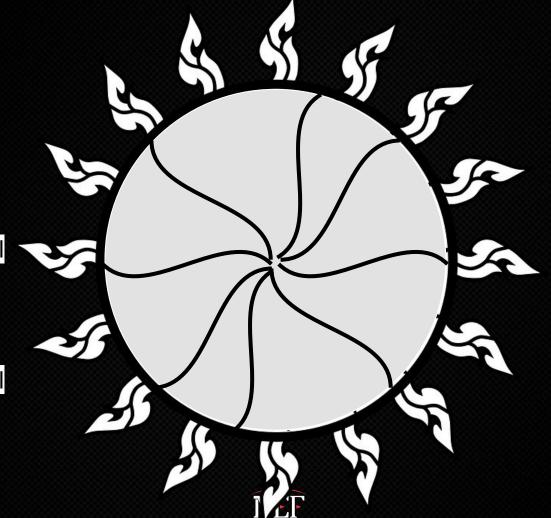


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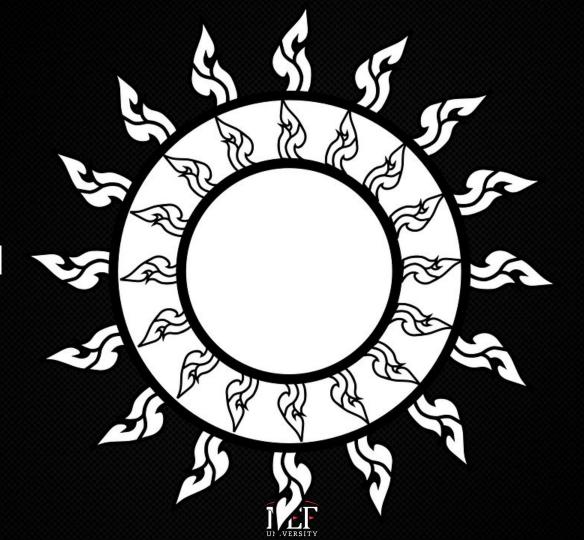


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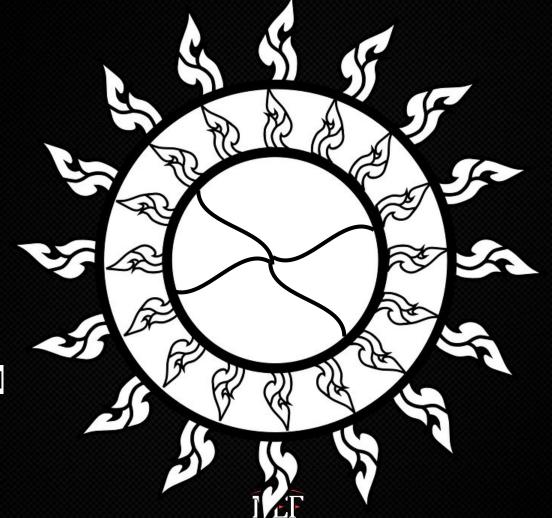


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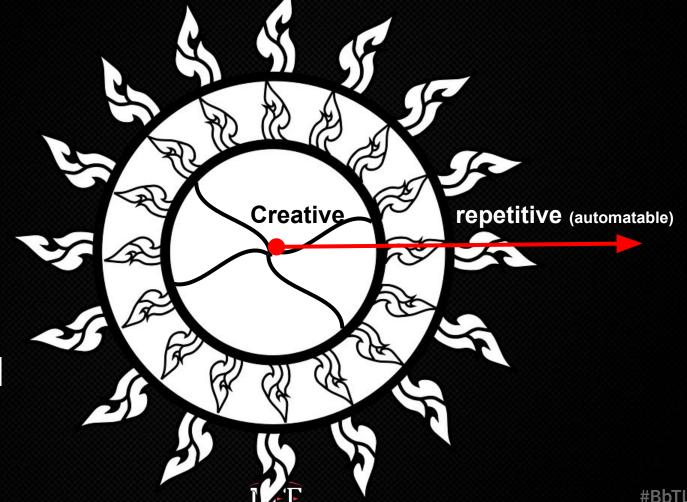
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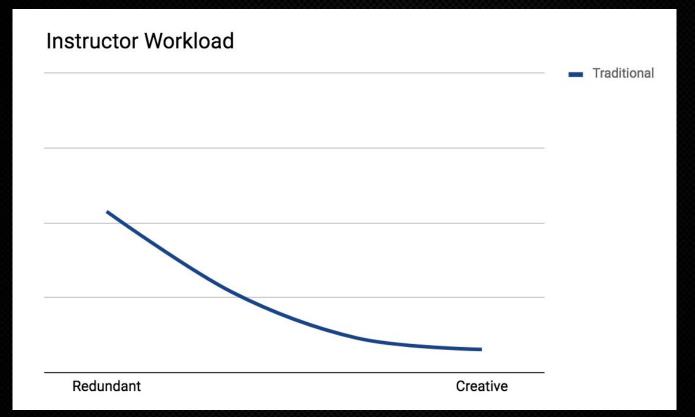


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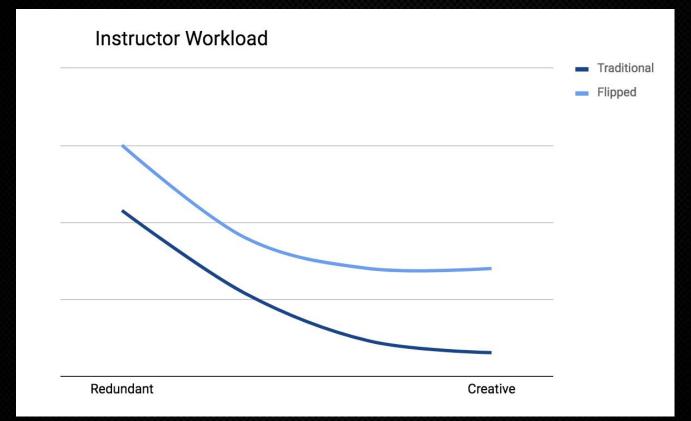
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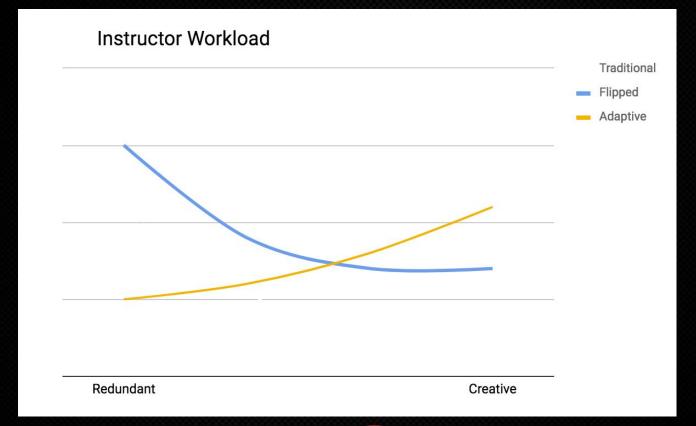
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# Views of MEF Instructors on these Platforms

#### Prof. Dr. Can Fuat Delale, Calculus II



#### The platform boasts a rich library of questions.

With quizzes and homework, the student is presented with a randomly assigned question that is categorized based on the level of difficulty. These are graded automatically. Another fine attribute of the system is that it allows students with an environment to study on their own.

#### Prof. Dr. Semra Ağralı, Supply Chain Management



# It is not the kind of thing you can assess the usefulness of, without utilizing it directly.

For instance, an online quiz is uploaded online on Monday night and they have time until Tuesday night to wrap it up. I have allowed them to go back, check on their own responses and make amendments. That is because I mostly used the quizzes as a tool to make them think "I couldn't do this one, let me go back and rectify", instead of assessing their level of understanding.

#### 6 Characteristics To Increase Technology Adoption -Thorpe, L. (2015)

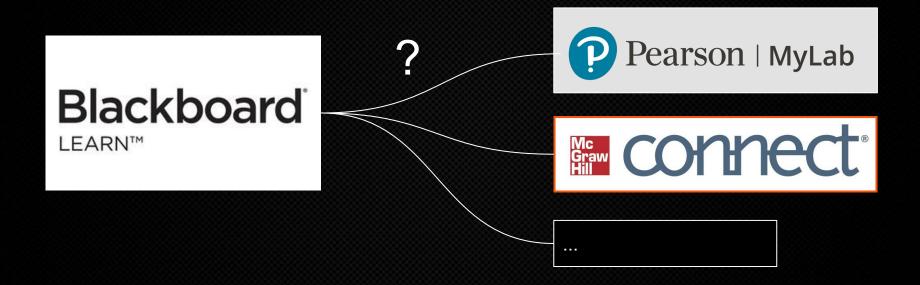
- 1 Leadership from the top
- 2 Institutional commitment and investment
- 3 Robust and reliable infrastructure
- 4 Effective and available support for academic staff
- 5 Ability to demonstrate the benefits to the student and staff experience
- 6 Evidence-based decision-making and a continuous cycle of improvement

# 1 - Leadership

#### 2 - Commitment and Investment



#### 3 - Reliable Infrastructure





- 4- Academic support
- 5- Promote among Instructors and Students
- 6- Continuous improvement



2017-2018 SPRING (Free Trial)

**18** Courses

870 Students

2018-2019 FALL

38 Courses

2.200 Students

2018-2019 SPRING

~50 Courses

1500 students

Total cost of 2018-2019 for MEF ~500.000 TL



