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Chapter 16

College of Education Future - Dr. Mary Jane Ford - Interim Dean

Transcript

Title Card: What do you see in the future for education?

Dr. Mary Jane Ford – Former Interim Dean: ... fact that we have integrated more and more technology into our courses, that we have technology labs available to students.

I hope that in the near future all our methods courses will be taught in the college and we're using technology very seamlessly in their courses so that it's not what's being taught, but it is a methodology of teaching.

That the children we're going to be teaching in the 21st century are going to face very different challenges than the children we taught in the in the 20th century, and we're going to have to adjust our instructional methods to meet those challenges and those demands.

We see a lot in literature, professional literature, about the fact that education has not changed much since the 1800s, and I think that's true. I think we very much teach the way we have taught for years, and I believe that we're going to have to adjust that methodology.

Technology I think is going to play a big role in that. Computer has brought the world into the classroom mainly through the Internet. That's a resource that is very, very powerful. We have to teach students how to use that resource appropriate.