

Becoming Generation Flux: Why Traditional Career Planning is Dead: How to be Agile, Adapt to Ambiguity and Develop Resilience

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INTRODUCTION

We live in times of uncertainties, fear, doubts and challenges, learning and adapting to the environment at an unprecedented fast pace. It is truly a new experience. This book will provide you a new perspective and prepare you to obtain more technical or other skills that are hard to automate if you want to have a successful career.

This book is well crafted with powerful facts supported by statistics on the contemporary social issues encountered by people not only in the United States but also the rest of the world. It invites us to give these critical issues due consideration. On this note, Miles Anthony Smith does a magnificent and marvellous job of raising, nurturing and nourishing us

to embrace Generation Flux so as to avoid unnecessary stress and pain.

I too subscribe to similar formulae given by the author without realising it i.e. seize the day in areas we control, cede stress in areas we have no control of, and have found it very fruitful. Relax and have fun to gain strength in every aspect, be it physical, mental or spiritual. Shaping ourselves to be adept and to accept the new environment is the surest way of obtaining success. Keep learning, unlearning and relearning to navigate our career path.

Miles Anthony Smith is a positive yet realistic author, illustrating compellingly and convincingly the numerous new trends and social issues caused by income inequality imbalances. In his

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doing so, we are able to see the entire scene through the appropriate lens without being side tracked by chaotic career complications.

“Becoming Generation Flux” is a timely book which dares to raise issues that people normally avoid discussing publicly. However, as for those who aspire to gain the highest, deepest and broadest perspective on how to live in the new world, then this book is a must for you. This book is not meant to persuade or dissuade you. It is meant to inform, instil and inspire you to gain appropriate and broad perspectives so that you are much better prepared to take the ride on the waves ahead.

The above book basically comprises four interesting and inspiring thoughts which will invite the readers to think deeply about the clouds surrounding today’s world and in which many people are caught in the dark with much of the frustration and discouragement facing this generation, well reflected in the title of the book.

The author systematically paints the real scene with facts and figures before he shapes his convincing and compelling arguments. He then crafts the simple and certain approach in Part 1 prior to his sensible urge to stop education madness, a phenomenon in today’s world. He raises several provoking thoughts as to why he says so. He makes an excellent analysis

of how education, the workplace and career management are becoming much more fluid and unpredictable. The changing career landscape provokes the readers to take a relook at their career transition and what it takes to successfully navigate through their career journey.

Miles Anthony Smith ultimately offers the sensible yet feasible solution of embracing becoming General Flux before he closes with bright hopes, relaxing and having fun while charting a new path for your dream job. I adopted a similar formula when I was at my cross roads prior to reading his book and I must confess that it is truly workable.

It goes without saying, that one should accept and follow the new career flow as reflected in the title of the book. With this, I hope I have not disclosed too much of this significant book.

To have a much deeper understanding and to apply what he recommends, do pick up a copy of the book as soon as you can and read it. Please don’t take my word for it. Apply the wisdom and know-how in the book wherever applicable for your own sake. Using this appropriate lens of viewing things around you, I can assure you that it will be easier for you to adopt this habit with ease. Cheers and enjoy your reading. ■