Partnering with For-Profits in Higher Ed: An Unholy Alliance?

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MS in Data Science in San Francisco

• Univ. of New Haven partners with University Ventures in 2012 to develop an industry-oriented MS in Big Data
• Plans announced at 2013 Maker Faire in New York City
Galvanize Joins Venture

• Galvanize becomes a partner and major shareholder in 2014
• First launch targeted in Galvanize building in San Francisco
• Director for program hired in fall 2014
• Curriculum developed in fall 2014
• Approvals by Connecticut Office of Higher Education and California Bureau of Post Secondary Education sought in 2015
The Chronicle Highlights the Program

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U. of New Haven and Upstart Coding School Team Up on Master’s Program

A new breed of for-profit coding schools has emerged in recent years, largely as a skills-focused alternative to traditional higher education. Now one of them has joined forces with a traditional university to build a master’s program.
Creative Learning Environment
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Program Characteristics and History

- SF faculty are NTT UNH faculty: 6 full-time, 2 part-time
- Cohort students take 2 courses in every 7 week minimester
- Internship and industry-based capstone design included
- 12 month program, including summer
- 26% female
- First cohort graduates in April 2016
Why UNH and What is the Future?

• Univ. of New Haven is a medium-sized private university in Connecticut that is highly entrepreneurial
• UNH has educated princesses in Saudi Arabia, engineers from Israel, and law enforcement officers around the world
• UNH is home to renowned forensic scientist Henry Lee
• Launch of MS in Data Science program in Seattle expected in fall 2017
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