Communication styles are changing, and today’s young adults have adopted technology-based communication practices. Instant messaging (IM), internet chat, email, and text messaging (TXT) are communication tools that are a natural part of the lives of these individuals. These communications technologies can not be seen apart from the social and institutional contexts in which they are used and the roles they play in the family, community, and the workplace (Kincheloe & McLaren, 2003, p. 455). The goal of this session is to catch a glimpse into the meaning that TXT has in the lives of young adults. This session will provide in-depth information into the changing world of communication.

Today, students prefer computer-mediated communication versus traditional face-to-face communication. This session will provide attendees with ideas on how to use digital technologies to embrace, motivate and stimulate interactions with their students. The primary focus will be on txt msn (text messaging). Text messaging can promote classroom interaction which can enhance learning, so instead of telling students – to turn their phones off - let's keep them on and use them! This session is guaranteed to give attendees new ideas on an old concept – motivating student learning. Txt msn myt jst motiv8!