

INTRODUCTION

MICHAEL POLL

Rehab: For Student Leader Junkies!

At this time, will you please take a moment to turn your cell phones to “silent” or “off” and refrain from text messaging during the program in consideration of our speaker and our audience. Thank you.

My name is _____. I am (leadership position or organization), and it’s my pleasure to welcome you.

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As an undergraduate student, today’s guest enjoyed many experiences as an involved student leader. However, his leadership was put to the test when he was asked by the university to develop a new student organization to change the face of campus life.

He had no office, no funds and no members to develop this “start-up” organization. Already an involved student leader with lots of experience, Michael Poll had to dig deep to discover the leader within him.

He challenged himself by developing new skills and by critically evaluating his responsibility as a leader. Within two months, the new organization was in place and making waves on campus. Michael was also a different person, a different student and a different leader.

Today, as a full time speaker and consultant, he has spoken from Toronto to the Virgin Islands and in 43 states. Michael has written 21 articles, several books and has developed two national student leadership instruments for which he’s received recognition.

Colleges aren’t the only ones benefiting from Michael. He’s consulted with people from nearly 1,200 different non-education organizations too! People from groups such as Kodak, Bank One, Nextel, Sears, Kinkos, ESPN, State Farm, Ford Motor and AT&T. Therefore, he brings practical, “real world” strategies and ideas directly to college students!

Michael lives in the Boston area. We’re glad he’s with us today and his presentation, *Rehab: For Student Leader Junkies!*, will get us moving in the right direction!

Please join me in welcoming Michael Poll!