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CLASS SELECTION PREFERENCES OF MILLENNIAL BUSINESS SCHOOL

STUDENTS: A STUDY OF STUDENT CHARACTERISTICS

Abstract

This study replicates and extends the research of Milliron (2008) on class selection preferences

and values of a sample of predominantly white Millennial and non-Millennial students. The

current study replicates the earlier study, except that the sample is comprised of predominantly

African-American Millennial and non-Millennial students. Specifically, students completed a

questionnaire, which consisted of 14 criteria, relating to class selection. We further extend the

original study by considering the role of gender, employment status, family educational

background and major in order to examine more closely the values exhibited by Millennial

students. Unlike the results reported by Milliron, our findings suggest that Millennial students

are interested in attaining high grades and developing important job related skills. Further, when

separated into sub-groupings as indicated above, the values of Millennial students differ to some

extent, particularly when the Millennials are classified by gender.

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