Innovations in Technology Across the Curriculum: Ideas, Implementations, Opportunities for Change

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Today's Session

- Welcome and Introductions

- Panel Discussion

- Question and Answer session (20 minutes)

Highlight from the
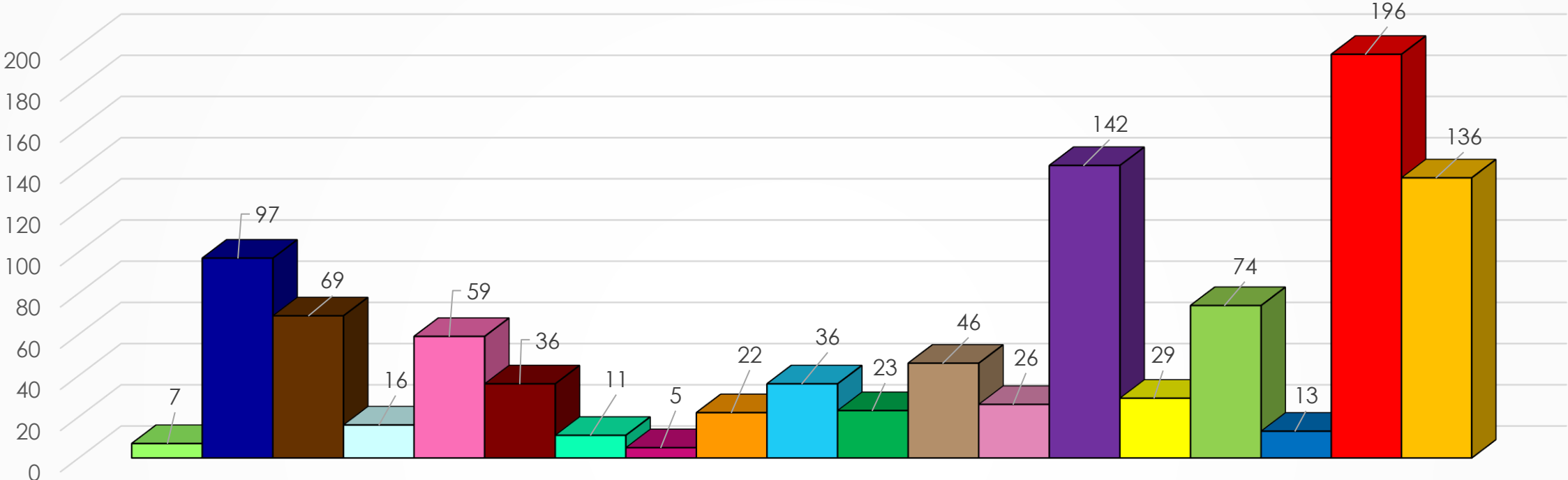**2021 Law School Data Mining Project**

97.9% *of law schools offered courses in the technology and legal technology space.*

No uniformity in course offerings from school to school, or even professor to professor, at the same institution.

Average of **3.38** *technology courses at each school.*

Source: de Perio Wittman and Brown, Taking on the Ethical Obligation of Technology Competency in the Academy: An Empirical Analysis of Practice-Based Technology Training Today, 36(1) Geo. J. Leg. Ethics 1 (2023).

Law School Courses x Legal Innovation Index Protocols

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Legend:
- ■ Alternative Fees
- ■ Artificial Intelligence
- ■ Blockchain and Cryptocurrency
- ■ Contract Management
- ■ Data Analytics
- ■ Document Assembly
- ■ Expert Systems
- ■ Incubator
- ■ Information Management
- ■ Innovation Entity
- ■ Knowledge Management
- ■ Process Improvement
- ■ Project Management
- ■ Data Privacy and Protection
- ■ Cloud and Alternative Data Storage
- ■ Electronic communication, wireless internet, passwords
- ■ Virtual Private Networks
- ■ Cybersecurity
- ■ E-Discovery

The Myth of the Digital Native

The Smartphone Generation Needs Computer Help

Young people may be expert social-media and smartphone users, but many lack the digital skills they need for today's jobs. How can we set them up for success?

For more info on the Myth of the Digital Native, read Iantha Haight's "Digital Natives, Techno-Transplants: Framing Minimum Technology Standards for Law School Graduates" 44 J. Leg. Prof. 175 (2020).

new generation of law students who went to **"Google School"**

What does it mean to be a **Google School student?** These students were handed a Chromebook or an iPad with some (or all) **of Google G Suite for Education**.   Today, some colleges and universities have been using **Google Workspace for Education** (previously called G Suite for Education) for at least a decade. In **2017**, Google reported that about **15 million primary- and secondary-school students in the United States** use Google Classroom. By this time, **Chromebooks** accounted for **58 percent** of mobile devices shipped to primary and secondary schools in the United States.   In **2019**, Google reported that **all eight Ivy League schools use G Suite for Education** as a productivity tool of choice for their faculty, staff, and students.