

DESIGN KNOWLEDGE ?

W H A T I S I T

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design knowledge is the kind of knowledge that designers apply upon during a design process

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SO WHY DO DESIGNERS...

NEED IT

IMPROVE LIFE STYLES
SOLVE PROBLEMS
GET THINGS DONE

WANT IT

SELF-FULFILMENT
SELF-CONFIDENCE
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
SUCCESS

HOW DO DESIGNERS ACQUIRE IT ?

EXPERIENCE · DECODING · COPYING
INTERPRETATION · COMMUNICATION

CODED KNOWLEDGE

KNOWLDEGE A > MESSAGE > KNOWLEDGE B



pre-existing knowledge that has been written / coded by a person.



TACIT KNOWLEDGE

SUBJECTIVE INFORMATION



information and knowledge that is unable to be coded and translated.

a personal and intimate feeling.

BOOKS · MAGAZINES · JOURNAL

FEELINGS · EXPERIENCE · SHARING

WHAT ARE BOOKS ?

“BOOKS” ARE CONTAINERS OF KNOWLEDGE

WHY BOOKS?

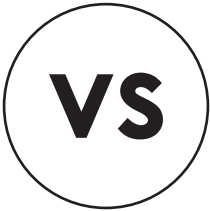
- + KNOWLEDGE
- + ENTERTAINMENT
- + INSPIRATION

PHYSICAL BOOKS

W H Y . . . ? B E C A U S E . . .



MORE PERSONAL / INTIMATE
REFLECTS PERSONALITY
COLLECTION



DIGITAL BOOKS

W H Y . . . ? B E C A U S E . . .



EASY TO PURCHASE
CHEAPER
CONVENIENCE

HOW DO WE MANAGE IT ?



CATEGORIZATION · MAKE INFO SELECTIVE · CONVENIENCE

KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT

WHY IS IT EVERYONE'S PROBLEM?

WE ALL READ

BOOKS

MAGAZINES

ARTICLES

E-BOOKS

BECAUSE READING
GIVES US **KNOWLEDGE**

THAT'S WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO MAKE IT
ACCESSIBLE · CONVENIENT · EFFICIENT

BECAUSE THERE ARE
BETTER WAYS TO **MANAGE**

THAT'S WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO MAKE IT
BETTER · INNOVATIVE · PERSONAL

TARGET AUDIENCES :

- UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS
- BEGINNERS IN THEIR DESIGN CAREERS
- PEOPLE WHO BEGINS IN A NEW DESIGN AREA

AND... WHY?

- EXPERIENCED DESIGNERS HAS SOLID FOUNDATION
- TO ASSIST INEXPERIENCED DESIGNERS SPPEED UP LEARNINGS
- TO ESTABLISH A GOOD LEARNING HABIT
- EASY FOR INEXPERIENCE LEARNERS TO ACCEPT NEW METHODS

WHAT DO WE KNOW ?

WE MANAGE BOOKS
BECAUSE...

- **LEARN MORE · CONVENIENT**
- **EASY TO ACCESS**
- **A REVIEW ON KNOWLEDGE**

WE DON'T MANAGE BOOKS
BECAUSE...

- **DIFFICULT TO START . TIME CONSUMING**
- **COULD BE A**
- **COMPLICATED PROCESS**

WHAT DO WE NOT KNOW ?

WE DO NOT KNOW
THE TARGET GROUP'S...

- **PERSONAL HABITS · PERSONALITIES**
- **PERSONAL INTERESTS**
- **A REVIEW ON KNOWLEDGE**

WHAT'S THE TREND NOW ?

- DIGITAL -** info that we really need
we might not feel too much about it
- PHYSICAL -** intimate info and knowledge
it means something important to us

OUR RESEARCH BRIEF

PROJECT DESCRIPTION :

the research on designer's **attitude** towards the
interaction towards book **management**

KEY OBJECTIVES :

- to offer a **better experience** to target groups to manage
- try a new way or **build a new behaviour** to improve existing methods

INTENT SCOPE :

- to know the **context** = **history** of management (past, present, future)
- to know the **people** = their **problems** / their **needs** / their **daily needs**

EXPLORATION Q' :

- 1.) how they interact with books? when? where?
- 2.) define attitude (positive and negative)
- 3.) how do we measure attitude?
- 4.) what affects their attitude?
- 5.) know the exist management methods + the strength and weaknesses

RESEARCH PLAN :

internet / observe / survey / history
/ final problems and needs / focus groups

WHO IS OUR RESEARCH GROUP?

WHY THESE PEOPLE ?

because inexperienced designers are constantly craving for design knowledge

UNDERGRADUATES

FROM UNIVERSITIES

students who just start off their studies in design.

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IN HIS/HER
NEW DESIGN CAREER

people who have a certain amount of design knowledge but may not have enough experience in their design discipline.

DESIGNERS

WHO START A
NEW AREA OF DESIGN

people who may be experienced in one area of design, but started in an unfamiliar design discipline.

WHAT ARE THEIR COMMON CHARACTERISTICS?

STUDYING/WORKING
AT PRESENT

HAVE TO APPLY DESIGN
KNOWLEDGE ON
WORK /STUDY

LIMITED EXP/KNOWLEDGE
ON CURRENT DESIGN
DISCIPLINE

THE EAGER TO
INCREASE DESIGN
KNOWLEDGE

WHAT DOES IT TELL US ?

it will give us a more insightful way to observe their methods of learning design knowledge.

HOW DO WE KNOW THEY ARE THE RIGHT ONES ?

(NEED + EAGER) × LEARN + APPLY = RESEARCH GROUP

SCREENING PROCESS

WHAT QUESTIONS DO WE HAVE TO ASK?

STUDENTS

- what year are you in?
- what did you study in high school?

EMPLOYEE

- how long have you been working?
- what did you work/study before your current job ?

COMMON QUESTIONS

- what are your experiences on design ?
- do you think your current job or study requires you to acquire new design knowledge ?
- Is what you are studying/working on right now something you are familiar with ?
- how much do you think your past experience/ studies /design knowledge have helped you tackle your studies or current job that you are unfamiliar with?

INFO
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INTERVIEW

QUESTIONS FOR INTERVIEWEES: FACE TO FACE

ESTIMATED ELAPSE TIME: APPRX. 15 MINS

CONTENTS:

1. QUESTIONS RELATED KNOWLEDGE **MANAGEMENT**
2. QUESTIONS RELATED TO MANAGEMENT **ATTITUDE**
3. QUESTIONS RELATED TO MANAGEMENT **BEHAVIOUR**

PURPOSE:

TO GRASP A GENERAL UNDERSTAND OF HOW UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS MANAGE THEIR KNOWLEDGE RESOURCES, AND THEIR MANAGEMENT ATTITUDE AND BEHAVIOUR IN DOING SO.

OBSERVATION

OBSERVE AND ANALYSE: THE BEHAVIOUR AND ATTITUDE PARTICIPANTS TAKE IN MANAGING KNOWLEDGE RESOURCES

EXPERIMENT

METHODOLOGY: ROLE-PLAYING

OBSERVE AND ANALYSE: THE BEHAVIOUR AND ATTITUDE PARTICIPANTS TAKE IN MANAGING KNOWLEDGE RESOURCES

ESTIMATED ELAPSE TIME: APPRX. 15 > 20 MINS

METHODOLOGIES & TOOLS: VIDEO TAPE + PHOTOS

PURPOSE:

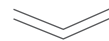
TO GAIN FURTHER INSIGHT IN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS' WAYS AND ATTITUDE TOWARDS KNOWLEDGE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT FROM A **3RD PARTY PERSPECTIVE**

LITERATURE

METHODOLOGY: RESEARCH ON AVAILABLE EXISTING INFO



TRAVEL
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APPROACH
TARGET GROUP

INTERVIEW

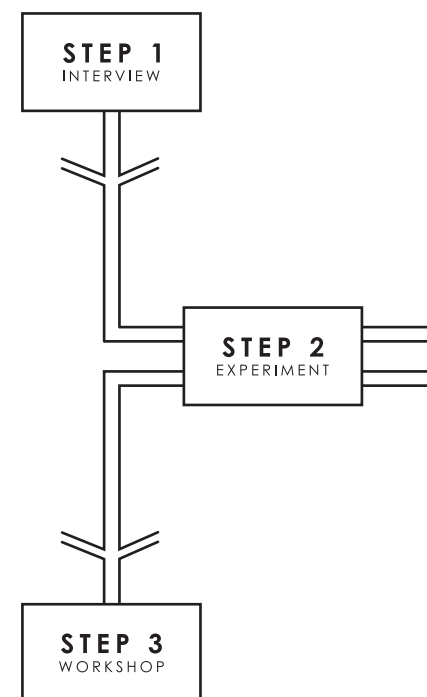
QUESTIONS FACE TO FACE

METHODS

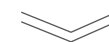
we will set up an interview with our target group. we will then ask them to answer some of our open questions in order to gain insight of the ways they manage, and the attitude and behaviour they take in knowledge management.

TOOLS

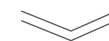
paper . pen . audio recorder



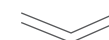
INTERACTIVE
ACTIVITY



CATEGORIZATION



PHYSICAL
+
DIGITAL



FEEDBACK

EXPERIMENT

PARTICIPATORY ROLE-PLAY

METHODS

we will conduct a bodystorm with our interviewees, having them to organize both physical and digital books (props that we prepared). we will therefore be able to observe and analysis on their methods and problems of managing knowledge resources.

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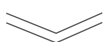
(props) - books, magazines, laptops . laptop . post-it notes . deefback question papers

FEEDBACK Q's

1. how would you describe your organization method(s)?
2. why would you use this kind of method(s)?
3. what problems or difficulties have you encountered during your categorization?



DISCUSSION
AND BRAINSTORM



CONCEPT
EXPLORATION

WORKSHOP

AN OPEN DISCUSSION

METHODS

a creative process to gain more insight and inspiration from participants after the experiement by having the participants discussing their experience from the role-play activity

TOOLS

paper . pen . audio recorder

HUNT STATEMENT

we are going to research on the attitude that designers adopt towards their interaction on books so that we can improve and enhance designers' way of organizing books