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## *News, Views, and Clues*

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Dear Colleagues:

The article below from USNews.com relates to our students who may not be able to secure employment despite the high number of jobs available in the U.S.

Discussion in the article focuses on a basic component of Integrated Education and Training (IET): "The concept of experiential learning is an answer to this mismatch between workforce demand and workforce supply."

### **How Unskilled Americans Are Creating a 'Crisis' for the U.S.**

*USNews.com*

Employers were looking to fill more than 6 million vacancies at the end of April. At the same time, government data suggest nearly 6.9 million Americans are out of work and actively looking to land a job. The math isn't lost on economists and business leaders, who see the record number of job openings and the millions of unemployed Americans still sitting on the sidelines and find it increasingly difficult to ignore the skills gap plaguing the private sector. "Imagine if we could match those 6.9 million [unemployed Americans] to 6 [million job openings]. The unemployment market would virtually disappear," Labor Secretary Alexander Acosta said at an event Wednesday morning hosted by Business Roundtable.

<https://www.usnews.com/news/articles/2017-06-07/skills-gap-crisis-threatens-donald-trumps-3-percent-growth-goal>

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