#### 5 ways to improve communication efforts with Gen Z in higher education

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"Gen Z has adapted to process information quicker than its predecessors, with the ability to filter and make decisions about content in eight seconds or less."

-Instabrain: The new rules for marketing to Generation Z



need to rethink their strategies.

# As a result, higher education communicators



05 Consistency





## Be more strategic

Gen Z treat each social media platform differently.

As a result, a "one size fits all" approach to social media simply won't cut it.



## Is your content...

#### screenshot-able?

Gen Z regularly screenshot content and save it for future reference.

Create easy-to-understand brandedgraphics that outline important deadlines, instructions, announcements or policy changes.

## Personalize

A recent Salesforce survey found that **nearly half** of students surveyed said they would like to receive more personalized communications from their institutions.



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### Surprise - email isn't dead!

85 percent of Gen Z cite an overwhelming preference for email as a communication channel, compared to 89 percent of Millennials.



## Nano-influencers

Defined as less than 10,000 highly engaged social media followers within a niche community.

Use institution's nano-influencers - student organization leaders, athletes, advisors, administrators, and resident assistants - to get messages directly to target audiences.





Nearly six in 10 students say the gap between students and institution leaders is due to a lack of consistent communications.

### **Be consistent**

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