

# Seven Revolutions

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## About the Presentation

At the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) we have developed comprehensive programs to identify key policy challenges and trends that policymakers, business figures, and other leaders will face in the coming decades. Since 1994, Seven Revolutions has been an effort to promote strategic thinking on the long-term trends that too few leaders take the time to consider.

In exploring the world of 2025, seven areas of change expected to be “revolutionary” were identified: (1) population; (2) resource management and environmental stewardship; (3) technological innovation and diffusion; (4) the development and dissemination of information and knowledge; (5) economic integration; (6) the nature and mode of conflict; and (7) the challenge of governance.

## About the 7 Revs Initiative

The 7 Revs initiative started in September 2006 as a partnership between CSIS, the *New York Times*, and member institutions of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU). The goal of the 7 Revs program is to produce strategies and programs to educate globally competent citizens at colleges and universities. Some of these resources are described on the reverse side.

As a result of this partnership, we created a teaching guide entitled *Educating Globally Competent Citizens: A Tool Kit for Teaching Seven Revolutions*. The Tool Kit provides background and content on the 7 Revs from CSIS, case studies on how AASCU campuses have used 7 Revs in their curricula, and teaching materials and resources that can be used to educate globally competent citizens using the 7 Revs *framework*.

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### Suggested Resources

*Educating Globally Competent Citizens: A Toolkit for Teaching Seven Revolutions*

<http://gsi.csis.org/toolkit>

- Background on the 7 Revs Project
- Seven revolutions content (direct links and *Student Guide*)
- Case studies of AASCU partner institutions
- Teaching materials (e.g., syllabi, activities, assignments)
- Teaching resources (e.g., print, video, audio, Internet)

#### Teaching resources

- Diigo (searchable online repository of relevant Internet-based resources): available at <http://www.diigo.com/> or on “Toolkit” page (<http://groups.diigo.com/groups/seven-revolutions-toolkit>)
- Sample “Seven Revs” course (on Epsilon course management system): available at <http://www.epsilen.com/crs/096577> or email Dennis Falk at [dfalk@d.umn.edu](mailto:dfalk@d.umn.edu) for an invitation
- Facebook “7 Revolutions: Creating Globally Competent Citizens” page: <http://www.facebook.com/7Revolutions>
- *New York Times* (global edition): <http://global.nytimes.com/>
- Center for Strategic and International Studies: <http://csis.org/>
- iTunesU (audio and video materials from CSIS): <http://csis.org/csis-itunes>
- Ted Talks (e.g., Alicia Miller, Hans Rosling): <http://www.ted.com/>

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