my name is **joel benay**, **nice** to meet you.

hello

case study **General Motors** College Discount Program



Overview: The General Motors

College Discount Program

provides eligible participants with

the **opportunity** to

or unused vehicles at The

purchase/lease new

Program prices.

Eligible participants include college





from any two or four-year school, graduates, within the

last two years.

and recent

students





brand and consumer insights cars are expensive, GM can help.

students are **aWay** and parents want then



recent grads **need** transportation to their new jobs.

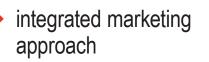
not having a ride is a major inconvenience.

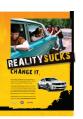
create a value to the brand for GM.

NOT the old **GM** car company.

be disruptive, attention getting.











traditional print

- GM and U website www.gmcollegediscount.com
- GM and U facebook www.facebook.com/gmcollegeprogram?ref=ts (15,729)



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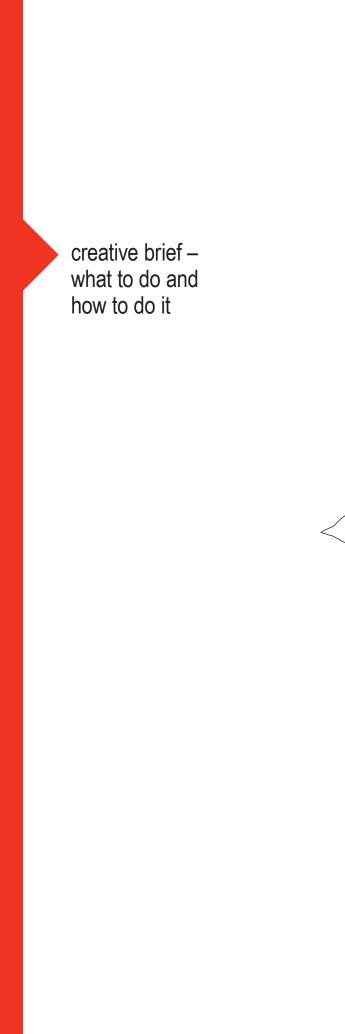
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viral / alternative media







- not just a piece of paper
- not a cut-and-paste document
- helps facilitate the creative process...
 - consumer and brand insights
 - tone of voice
 - opportunity
 - the message / marketing objective / main idea
 - prioritizing
 - who are we talking to?
 - benefits and value of brand
 - barriers in our way / reasons to believe
 - how is the brand relevant and motivating to our audience - mandatories...
- brainstorm the brief with all relevant stakeholders
- ideas are contagious. a wrong idea is better than no idea.

concept to execution

work starts with all stake holders

team, always team environment, brainstorming

ideas, more ideas, be passionate, more ideas, more ideas

image search, image search, image search

color exploration and testing

work up 3 concepts

internal **focus** group of recent grads

account review



client review

focus groups of college students, grad students, and newly graduated more focus groups with corrected comments **MORE CONCERNS** – color, the logo, the font, you name it tweaking, tweaking, tweaking, getting the client comfortable final **client buy** in

desperately needed GM followers - to engage them and establish a sense of value to the brand.

debunk the perception that we were there to just sell

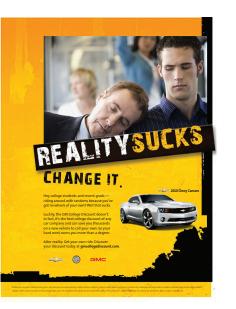
Oh, and build loyalty

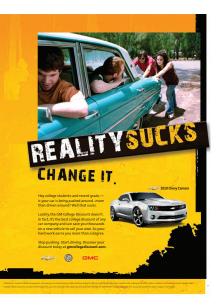
creatively deliver an experience and a place where they could share offer information and get answers to question

language and images that resonated with our audience

create a long-term relationship on their terms, ending in sales

it's not about a have to, it's about a want to. great creative work.

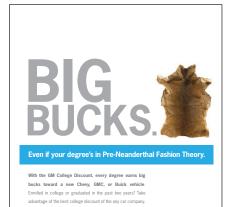


















Even if your degree's in Post-Modern Pottery Aesthetics With the GM College Discount, every degree earns big bucks toward a new Chevy, GMC, or Buick vehicle. Enrolled in college or graduated in the past two years? Take advantage of the best college discount of the any car company. - 8 ----



create brand followers



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1: Cut down on expenses 2: Saved 3: Didn't 4: Got a second job 5: Got assistance from family 6: Other (leave a comment) Christine R. Eakin likes this. R View all 6 comments





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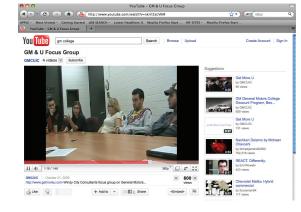


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focus group video www.youtube.com/watch?v=skrrt5zcVKM











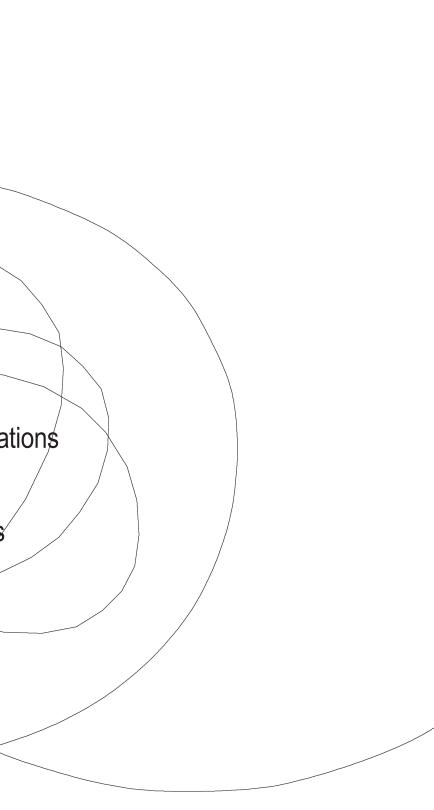


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motivate and inspire in a team environment put the gloves on and get to work



owned creative leadership open door policy led two creative teams developing the work brainstorm, brainstorm, brainstorm advocating for strategy driven solution, not just tactics comparison audit of competitors' similar programs additional creative brief direction review, comment, and be additive to concepts image, logo and language exploration attended focus groups online with team members hosted rehearsal for presentation attended and presented with the teams – multi-team presentations to clients for all concepts team values – let the team members make their contributions do things in a positive way - create loyalty and trust shared rewards for job well done



able to engage and learn more about our audience

17,729 visits to GM and U site

more social connection with our audience

our audience knows more about our brands and makes the connection to GM

> added value to the brand with informative information about finance, loans, insurance, and life style

> > sales traffic increase throughout our

dealer network on new and used GM Certified vehicles

results

the campaign is in print and online and continues to connect

launched july 2010

thank you