There is a real transformation in the nature of learning and it's technological. A book, a written textbook can only get us so far. It's important for me to teach in a digital age with a system that enables the student to access the material on their devices. Seeing students actually engage in some of the learning tools that have been developed specifically for things like Revel has been pretty cool.

A written page with students these days can only go so far. That's why when Pearson decided to move headfirst into the digital world, we were really excited. It's a perfect way to help students connect with material in ways that they're used to connected material.

It's not a process of pouring old content into some new format. A digital experience is an opportunity to enter into some situation interactively, make choices that present you with different options and then follow those options, and at some point you have an aha moment where you think: Right, I get it. The student has that experience of discovery or that delicious moment where something becomes clear to the student. Rather than just being told this is true, the student creates it, creates that experience.

Students today are much more visual than they have ever been. Everyone has a smart phone and they use it not only for communication but also to obtain information. One of the thing things about the Revel system is that it enables the student to operate the material for the course on their own time.

Things like Revel offer students convenience. It allows students to have a learning platform or their learning tools to be more mobile where they are. They can read where they want to read without carrying a textbook with them. It gives them access they wouldn't have had otherwise.

Revel gives me freedom. Not only does it give me freedom, but it also gives the students freedom to work on their own time.

The idea was to help students understand a whole bunch of material in ways that they're used to accessing material. It is a digital platform, an interactive platform that helps students learn, not just memorize material but really understand what they're connecting with.

So for me, Revel has given us that opportunity and ability to think about learning tools in new ways and also ways to better help our students.