

# **Pedagogies of Engagement Cooperative Learning and PBL**

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## **Session 1-2 Layout**

- Welcome & Overview
- Integrated Course Design (CAP Model)
  - Content
  - Assessment
  - Pedagogy
- Pedagogies of Engagement – Cooperative Learning
  - Informal – Bookends on a Class Session
  - Formal Cooperative Learning
    - Design and Teamwork Features
- Design and Implementation

## Workshop Objectives

- Participants will be able to
  - Explain rationale for Pedagogies of Engagement, especially Cooperative Learning & PBL
  - Describe key features of Cooperative Learning
  - Apply cooperative learning to classroom practice
  - Describe key features of the Backward Design process – Content (outcomes) – Assessment - Pedagogy
  - Identify connections between cooperative learning and desired outcomes of courses and programs

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It could well be that faculty members of the twenty-first century college or university will find it necessary to set aside their roles as teachers and instead become designers of learning experiences, processes, and environments.

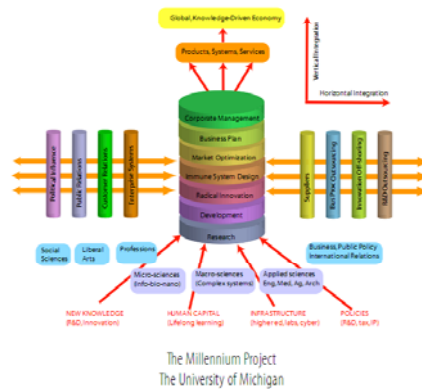
James Duderstadt, 1999 [Nuclear Engineering Professor; Dean, Provost and President of the University of Michigan]



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## Engineering for a Changing World

A Roadmap to the Future of  
Engineering Practice, Research, and Education



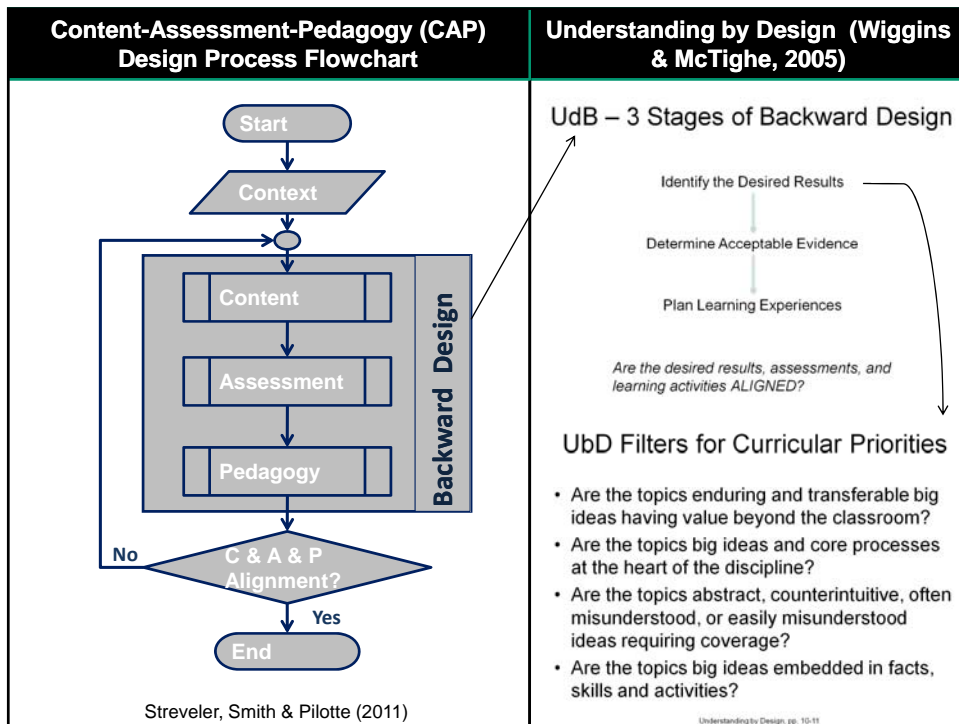
...objectives for engineering practice, research, and education:

To adopt a systemic, research-based approach to innovation and continuous improvement of engineering education, recognizing the importance of diverse approaches—albeit characterized by quality and rigor—to serve the highly diverse technology needs of our society

<http://milproj.umm.umich.edu/publications/EngFlex%20report/download/EngFlex%20Report.pdf>

## Integrated Course Design Model

- Aligning Course Content, Assessment, and Delivery: Creating a Context for Outcome-Based Education (Streveler, Smith & Pilotte, 2011)
- *Understanding By Design* - (Wiggins & McTighe, 1998 and Bransford, Vye & Bateman, 2002)
- Curriculum-Instruction-Assessment Triad (Pellegrino, 2006)



### Pedagogies of Engagement: Classroom-Based Practices

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**ABSTRACT**

Engagement, motivation, and active learning have become central concerns for many teachers in an era of increasing emphasis on student learning. In the past twenty years engineering education has implemented several means of better engaging these undergraduate students, including active and cooperative learning, learning communities, service learning, cooperative education, inquiry and problem-based learning, and team projects. The paper focuses on classroom-based pedagogies of engagement, particularly cooperative and problem-based learning. It includes a brief history, theoretical roots, research report, summary of practice, and suggestions for redesigning engineering classes and programs to include more student engagement. The paper also lists out the research about the following pedagogies aimed at more fully utilizing students' involvement in their learning.

**Keywords:** cooperative learning, problem-based learning, student engagement

**INTRODUCTION TO THE PEDAGOGIES OF ENGAGEMENT**

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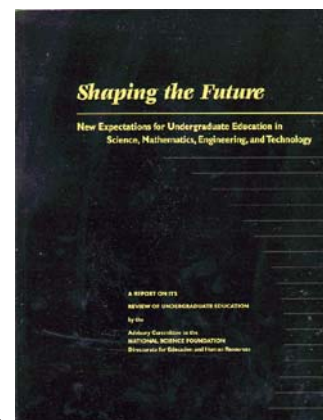
# Pedagogies of Engagement



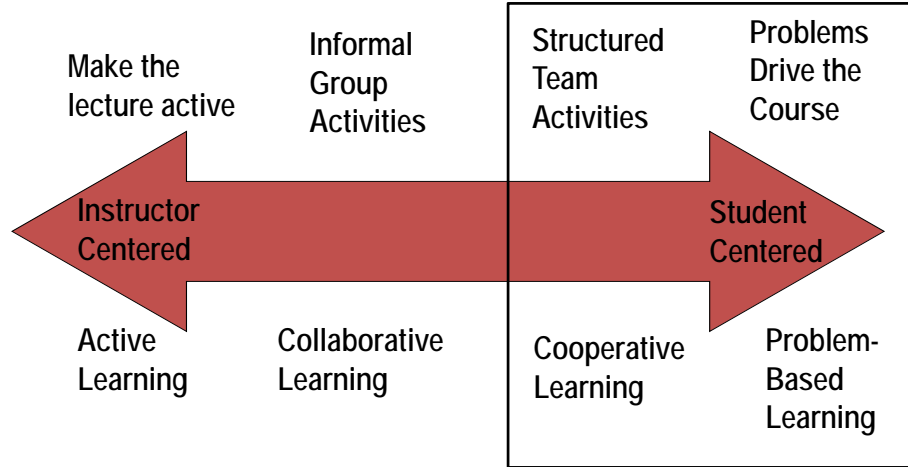
## Shaping the Future: New Expectations for Undergraduate Education in Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology – **National Science Foundation, 1996**

Goal – All students have access to supportive, excellent undergraduate education in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology, and **all students learn these subjects by direct experience** with the methods and processes of inquiry.

Recommend that SME&T faculty: Believe and affirm that every student can learn, and model good practices that increase learning; starting with the student's experience, but have high expectations within a supportive climate; and build inquiry, a sense of wonder and the excitement of discovery, plus communication and teamwork, critical thinking, and life-long learning skills into learning experiences.



## The Active Learning Continuum

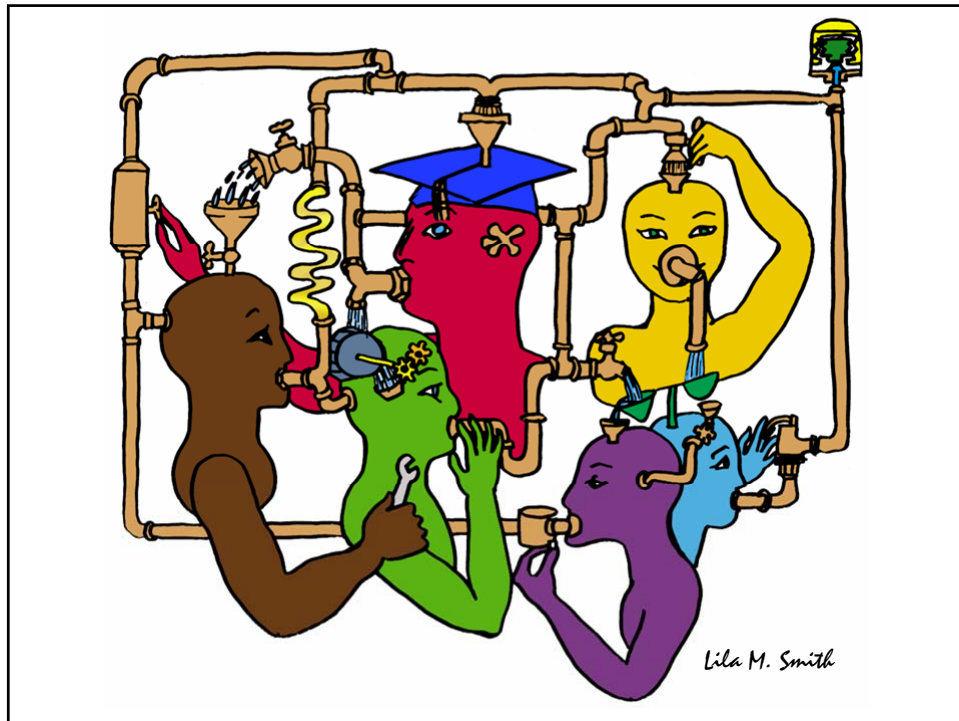


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My work is situated here – Cooperative Learning & Challenge-Based Learning



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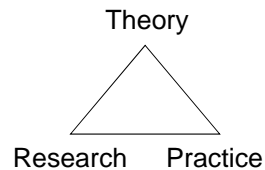
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- Individual and Group Accountability
- Face-to-Face Promotive Interaction
- Teamwork Skills
- Group Processing

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# Cooperative Learning

- Theory – Social Interdependence – Lewin – Deutsch – Johnson & Johnson
- Research – Randomized Design Field Experiments
- Practice – Formal Teams/Professor's Role



**Figure A.1 A General Theoretical Framework**

Social Interdependence Perspective	Cognitive-Developmental Perspective	Behavioral-Social Perspective
↓	↓	↓
Goal Interdependence	Resource And Role Interdependence	Reward And Task Interdependence
↓	↓	↓
Promotive Interaction		Increased Motivation
↓		
Enhanced Individual Learning And Productivity		

**Cooperative Learning**

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[\*First edition 1991]



## Cooperative Learning Research Support

Johnson, D.W., Johnson, R.T., & Smith, K.A. 1998. Cooperative learning returns to college: What evidence is there that it works? *Change*, 30 (4), 26-35.

- Over 300 Experimental Studies
- First study conducted in 1924
- High Generalizability
- Multiple Outcomes

### Outcomes

1. Achievement and retention
2. Critical thinking and higher-level reasoning
3. Differentiated views of others
4. Accurate understanding of others' perspectives
5. Liking for classmates and teacher
6. Liking for subject areas
7. Teamwork skills



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March 2007

## Small-Group Learning: Meta-analysis

Springer, L., Stanne, M. E., & Donovan, S. 1999. Effects of small-group learning on undergraduates in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology: A meta-analysis. *Review of Educational Research*, 69(1), 21-52.

Small-group (predominantly cooperative) learning in postsecondary science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (SMET). 383 reports from 1980 or later, 39 of which met the rigorous inclusion criteria for meta-analysis.

**The main effect of small-group learning on achievement, persistence, and attitudes among undergraduates in SMET was significant and positive.**

Mean effect sizes for achievement, persistence, and attitudes were 0.51, 0.46, and 0.55, respectively.

## Student Engagement Research Evidence

- Perhaps the strongest conclusion that can be made is the least surprising. Simply put, the greater the student's involvement or engagement in academic work or in the academic experience of college, the greater his or her level of knowledge acquisition and general cognitive development ... (Pascarella and Terenzini, 2005).
- Active and collaborative instruction coupled with various means to encourage student engagement invariably lead to better student learning outcomes irrespective of academic discipline (Kuh et al., 2005, 2007).

See Smith, et.al, 2005 and Fairweather, 2008, Linking Evidence and Promising Practices in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Undergraduate Education - [http://www7.nationalacademies.org/bose/Fairweather\\_CommissionedPaper.pdf](http://www7.nationalacademies.org/bose/Fairweather_CommissionedPaper.pdf)

## Cooperative Learning Adopted

The American College Teacher:

National Norms for 2007-2008

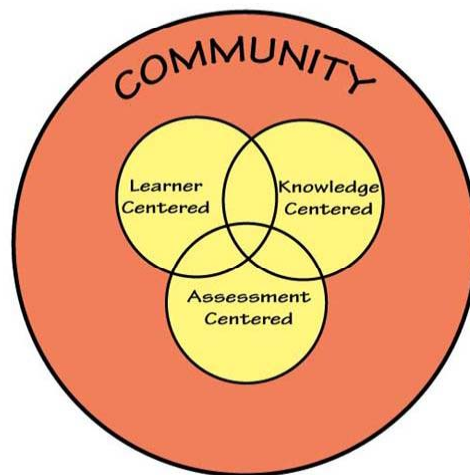
Methods Used in "All" or "Most"	All – 2005	All – 2008	Assistant - 2008
Cooperative Learning	48	59	66
Group Projects	33	36	61
Grading on a curve	19	17	14
Term/research papers	35	44	47

<http://www.heri.ucla.edu/index.php>

## Reflection and Dialogue

- Individually reflect on your familiarity with (1) Integrated Course Design and (2) Pedagogies of Engagement, especially Cooperative Learning. Write for about 1 minute
  - Key ideas, insights, applications – Success Stories
  - Questions, concerns, challenges
- Discuss with your neighbor for about 3 minutes
  - Select one Insight, Success Story, Comment, Question, etc. that you would like to present to the whole group if you are randomly selected

## Designing Learning Environments Based on HPL (How People Learn)



# Backward Design Approach Wiggins & McTighe

## Stage 1. Identify Desired Results

- Enduring understanding
- Important to know and do
- Worth being familiar with

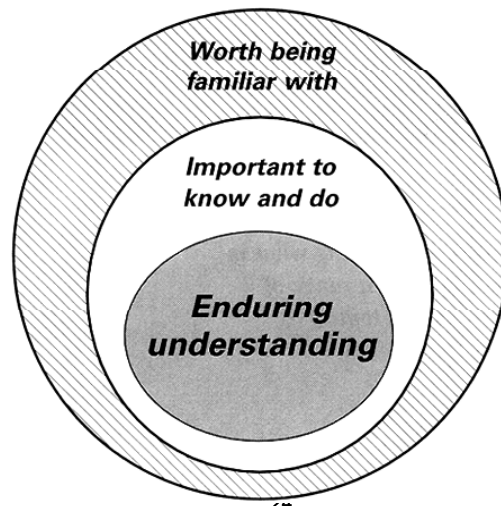
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## Stage 3. Plan Learning Experiences and Instruction

From: Wiggins, Grant and McTighe, Jay. 1998. *Understanding by Design*. Alexandria, VA: ASCD

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# Establishing Curricular Priorities



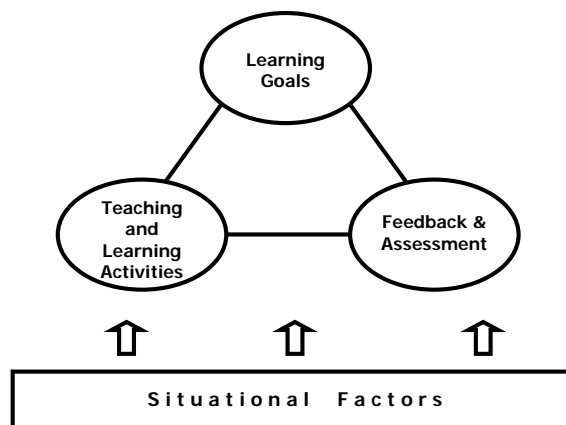
## Related Integrated Course Design Model

- Fink, L.D. 2003. *Creating significant learning experiences: An integrated approach to designing*. Jossey-Bass
- Fink, L.D. 2003. A Self-Directed Guide to Designing Courses for Significant Learning.  
<http://www.deefinkandassociates.com/GuidetoCourseDesignAug05.pdf>

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Model 1

### The Key Components Of INTEGRATED COURSE DESIGN



**A Self-Directed Guide to Designing Courses for Significant Learning**  
L. Dee Fink. 2003. *Creating significant learning experiences*. Jossey-Bass.

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# Understanding by Design

## Stage 1. Identify Desired Results

- Filter 1. To what extent does the idea, topic, or process represent a big idea or having enduring value beyond the classroom?
- Filter 2. To what extent does the idea, topic, or process reside at the heart of the discipline?
- Filter 3. To what extent does the idea, topic, or process require uncoverage?
- Filter 4. To what extent does the idea, topic, or process offer potential for engaging students?

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Worksheet 1

### Worksheet for Designing a Course/Class Session/Learning Module

	Ways of Assessing	Actual Teaching-Learning	Helpful Resources:
Learning Goals for Course/Session/Learning Module:	This Kind of Learning:	Activities:	(e.g., people, things)
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# Understanding by Design

## Stage 2. Determine Acceptable Evidence

Types of Assessment

Quiz and Test Items:

Simple, content-focused test items

Academic Prompts:

Open-ended questions or problems that require the student to think critically

Performance Tasks or Projects:

Complex challenges that mirror the issues or problems faced by graduates, they are authentic

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## Taxonomies of Types of Learning

Bloom's taxonomy of educational objectives: Cognitive Domain  
(Bloom & Krathwohl, 1956)

*A taxonomy for learning, teaching, and assessing: A revision of Bloom's taxonomy of educational objectives (Anderson & Krathwohl, 2001).*

Facets of understanding (Wiggins & McTighe, 1998)

Taxonomy of significant learning (Fink, 2003)

Evaluating the quality of learning: The SOLO taxonomy (Biggs & Collis, 1982)

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**The Six Major Levels of Bloom's Taxonomy of the Cognitive Domain  
(with representative behaviors and sample objectives)**

**Knowledge.** Remembering information *Define, identify, label, state, list, match*

Identify the standard peripheral components of a computer  
Write the equation for the Ideal Gas Law

**Comprehension.** Explaining the meaning of information *Describe, generalize, paraphrase, summarize, estimate*

In one sentence explain the main idea of a written passage  
Describe in prose what is shown in graph form

**Application.** Using abstractions in concrete situations *Determine, chart, implement, prepare, solve, use, develop*

Using principles of operant conditioning, train a rat to press a bar  
Derive a kinetic model from experimental data

**Analysis.** Breaking down a whole into component parts *Points out, differentiate, distinguish, discriminate, compare*

Identify supporting evidence to support the interpretation of a literary passage  
Analyze an oscillator circuit and determine the frequency of oscillation

**Synthesis.** Putting parts together to form a new and integrated whole *Create, design, plan, organize, generate, write*

Write a logically organized essay in favor of euthanasia  
Develop an individualized nutrition program for a diabetic patient

**Evaluation.** Making judgments about the merits of ideas, materials, or phenomena *Appraise, critique, judge, weigh, evaluate, select*

Assess the appropriateness of an author's conclusions based on the evidence given  
Select the best proposal for a proposed water treatment plant

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= The Cognitive Process Dimension →

	Remember	Understand	Apply	Analyze	Evaluate	Create
<b>Factual Knowledge</b> – The basic elements that students must know to be acquainted with a discipline or solve problems in it. a. Knowledge of terminology b. Knowledge of specific details and elements						
<b>Conceptual Knowledge</b> – The interrelationships among the basic elements within a larger structure that enable them to function together. a. Knowledge of classifications and categories b. Knowledge of principles and generalizations c. Knowledge of theories, models, and structures						
<b>Procedural Knowledge</b> – How to do something; methods of inquiry, and criteria for using skills, algorithms, techniques, and methods. a. Knowledge of subject-specific skills and algorithms b. Knowledge of subject-specific techniques and methods c. Knowledge of criteria for determining when to use appropriate procedures						
<b>Metacognitive Knowledge</b> – Knowledge of cognition in general as well as awareness and knowledge of one's own cognition. a. Strategic knowledge b. Knowledge about cognitive tasks, including appropriate contextual and conditional knowledge c. Self-knowledge						

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(Anderson & Krathwohl, 2001).



The Cognitive Process Dimension					
<b>Remember</b> Retrieving relevant knowledge from long-term memory	<b>Understand</b> Determining the meaning of instructional messages, including oral, written, and graphic communication.	<b>Apply</b> Carrying out or using a procedure in a given situation	<b>Analyze</b> Breaking material into its constituent parts and detecting how the parts relate to one another and to an overall structure or purpose	<b>Evaluate</b> Making judgments based on criteria and standards	<b>Create</b> Putting elements together to form a novel, coherent whole or make an original product
Recall Define Relate Review	Restate Describe Identify Express	Employ Translate Demonstrate Examine	Distinguish Compare Contrast Deduce	Select Defend Interpret Discriminate	Arrange Combine Construct Propose

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# Facets of Understanding

Wiggins & McTighe, 1998, page 44

When we truly *understand*, we

Can **explain** - cognitive

Can **interpret** - cognitive

Can **apply** - cognitive

Have **perspective** - affective

Can **empathize** - affective

Have **self-knowledge** -  
**metacognitive**

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Dee Fink – Creating Significant Learning Experiences

## A TAXONOMY OF SIGNIFICANT LEARNING

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### 1. Foundational Knowledge

- "Understand and remember" learning  
For example: facts, terms, formulae, concepts, principles, etc.

### 2. Application

- Thinking: critical, creative, practical (problem-solving, decision-making)
- Other skills  
For example: communication, technology, foreign language
- Managing complex projects

### 3. Integration

- Making "connections" (i.e., finding similarities or interactions) . . .  
Among: ideas, subjects, people

### 4. Human Dimensions

- Learning about and changing one's SELF
- Understanding and interacting with OTHERS

### 5. Caring

- Identifying/changing one's feelings, interests, values

### 6. Learning How to Learn

- Becoming a better student
- Learning how to ask and answer questions
- Becoming a self-directed learner

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# SOLO Taxonomy

- The **Structure of Observed Learning Outcome (SOLO)** model consists of 5 levels of understanding

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|------------------|---|
| Surface Learning | – <b>Pre-structural</b> - The task is not attacked appropriately; the student hasn't really understood the point and uses too simple a way of going about it.                                 |
|                  | – <b>Uni-structural</b> - The student's response only focuses on one relevant aspect.   |
|                  | – <b>Multi-structural</b> - The student's response focuses on several relevant aspects but they are treated independently and additively. Assessment of this level is primarily quantitative. |
| Deep Learning    | – <b>Relational</b> - The different aspects have become integrated into a coherent whole. This level is what is normally meant by an adequate understanding of some topic.                    |
|                  | – <b>Extended abstract</b> - The previous integrated whole may be conceptualised at a higher level of abstraction and generalised to a new topic or area.                                     |

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Structure\\_of\\_Observed\\_Learning\\_Outcome](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Structure_of_Observed_Learning_Outcome)

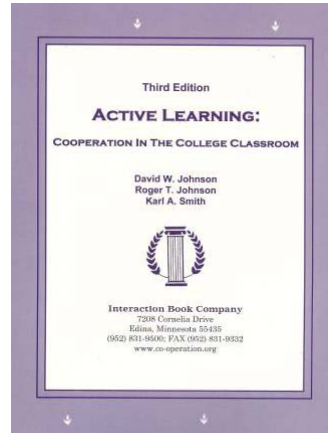
## Understanding by Design

### Stage 3. Plan Learning Experiences & Instruction

- What enabling knowledge (facts, concepts, and principles) and skills (procedures) will students need to perform effectively and achieve desired results?
- What activities will equip students with the needed knowledge and skills?
- What will need to be taught and coached, and how should it be taught, in light of performance goals?
- What materials and resources are best suited to accomplish these goals?
- Is the overall design coherent and effective?

# Active Learning: Cooperation in the College Classroom

- **Informal** Cooperative Learning Groups
- **Formal** Cooperative Learning Groups
- Cooperative **Base** Groups



See Cooperative Learning Handout (CL College-804.doc) 39

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# Cooperative Learning

## Positive Interdependence

### Goal Interdependence (essential)

1. All members show mastery
2. All members improve
3. Add group member scores to get an overall group score
4. One product from group that all helped with and can explain

### Role (Duty) Interdependence

Assign each member a role and rotate them

### Resource Interdependence

1. Limit resources (one set of materials)
2. Jigsaw materials
3. Separate contributions

### Task Interdependence

1. Factory-line
2. Chain Reaction

### Outside Challenge Interdependence

1. Intergroup competition
2. Other class competition

### Identity Interdependence

Mutual identity (name, motto, etc.)

### Environmental Interdependence

1. Designated classroom space
2. Group has special meeting place

### Fantasy Interdependence

Hypothetical interdependence in situation ("You are a scientific/literary prize team, lost on the moon, etc.")

### Reward/Celebration Interdependence

1. Celebrate joint success
2. Bonus points (use with care)
3. Single group grade (when fair to all)

## Individual Accountability

### Ways to ensure no slackers:

- Keep group size small (2-4)
- Assign roles
- Randomly ask one member of the group to explain the learning
- Have students do work before group meets
- Have students use their group learning to do an individual task afterward
- Everyone signs: "I participated, I agree, and I can explain"
- Observe & record individual contributions

### Ways to ensure that all members learn:

- Practice tests
- Edit each other's work and sign agreement
- Randomly check one paper from each group
- Give individual tests
- Assign the role of **checker** who has each group member explain out loud
- Simultaneous explaining: each student explains their learning to a new partner

## Face-to-Face Interaction

### Structure:

- Time for groups to meet
- Group members close together
- Small group size of two or three
- Frequent oral rehearsal
- Strong positive interdependence
- Commitment to each other's learning
- Positive social skill use
- Celebrations for encouragement, effort, help, and success!

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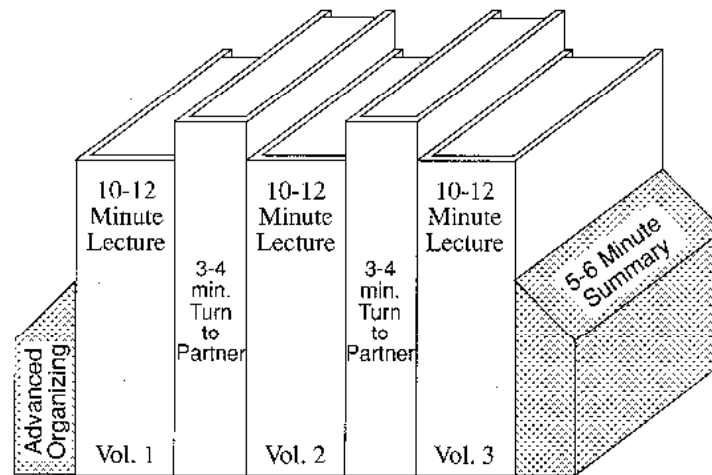
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## Book Ends on a Class Session



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## **Book Ends on a Class Session**

1. Advance Organizer
2. Formulate-Share-Listen-Create (Turn-to-your-neighbor) -- repeated every 10-12 minutes
3. Session Summary (Minute Paper)
  1. What was the most useful or meaningful thing you learned during this session?
  2. What question(s) remain uppermost in your mind as we end this session?
  3. What was the “muddiest” point in this session?

### **Advance Organizer**

“The most important single factor influencing learning is what the learner already knows. Ascertain this and teach him accordingly.”

David Ausubel - Educational psychology: A cognitive approach, 1968.

## Quick Thinks

- Reorder the steps
- Paraphrase the idea
- Correct the error
- Support a statement
- Select the response

Johnston, S. & Cooper, J. 1997. Quick thinks: Active-thinking in lecture classes and televised instruction. Cooperative learning and college teaching, 8(1), 2-7.

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## Formulate-Share-Listen-Create

Informal Cooperative Learning Group  
Introductory Pair Discussion of a

### ***FOCUS QUESTION***

1. Formulate your response to the question **individually**
2. Share your answer with a partner
3. Listen carefully to your partner's answer
4. Work together to Create a new answer through discussion

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## Minute Paper

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- Give an example or application
- Explain in your own words . . .

Angelo, T.A. & Cross, K.P. 1993. Classroom assessment techniques: A handbook for college teachers. San Francisco: Jossey Bass.

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## Session Summary (Minute Paper)

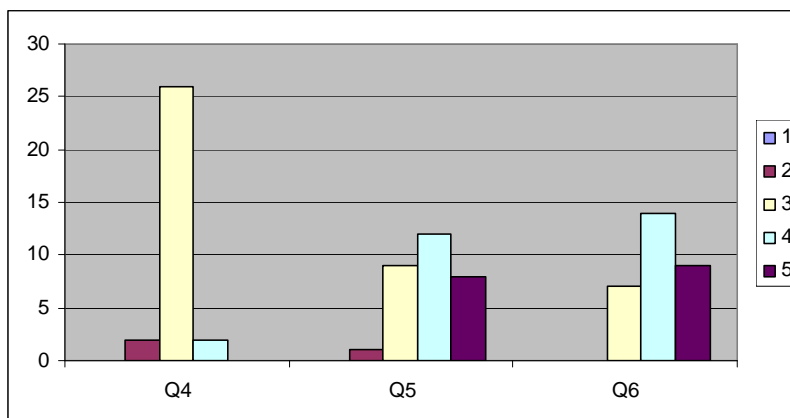
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Informal CL (Book Ends on a Class Session) with Concept Tests

Physics

Peer Instruction

Eric Mazur - Harvard – <http://galileo.harvard.edu>

Peer Instruction – [www.prenhall.com](http://www.prenhall.com)

Richard Hake – <http://www.physics.indiana.edu/~hake/>

Chemistry

Chemistry ConcepTests - UW Madison

[www.chem.wisc.edu/~concept](http://www.chem.wisc.edu/~concept)

Video: Making Lectures Interactive with ConcepTests

ModularChem Consortium – <http://mc2.cchem.berkeley.edu/>

STEMTEC

Video: How Change Happens: Breaking the “Teach as You Were Taught” Cycle – Films for the Humanities & Sciences – [www.films.com](http://www.films.com)

Harvard – Derek Bok Center

Thinking Together & From Questions to Concepts: Interactive Teaching in Physics

– [www.fas.harvard.edu/~bok\\_cen/](http://www.fas.harvard.edu/~bok_cen/) 50

## The “Hake” Plot of FCI

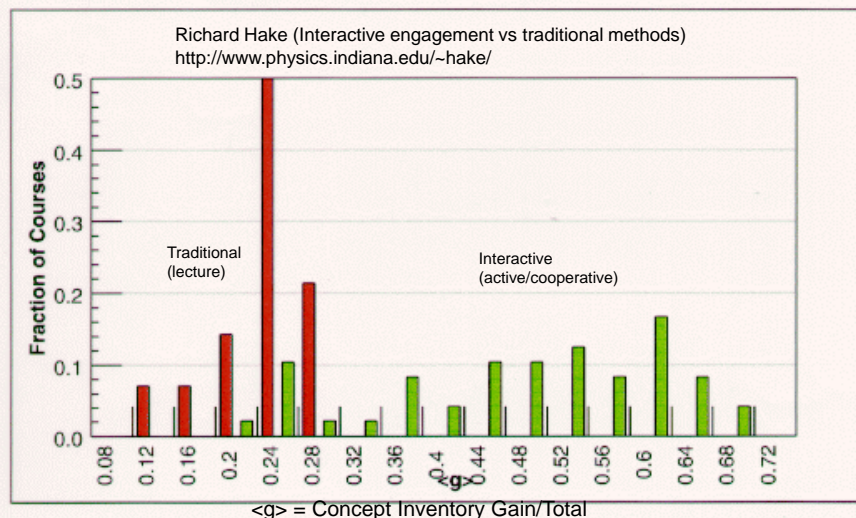
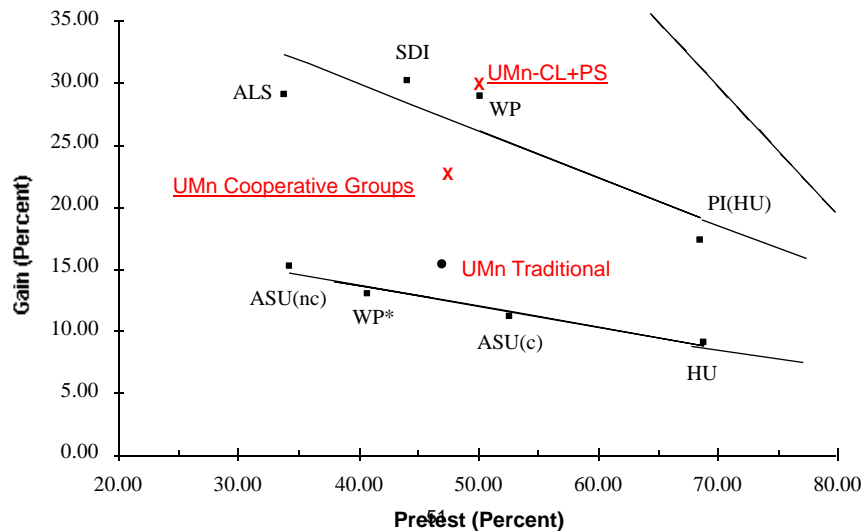


Fig. 2. Histogram of the average normalized gain  $\langle g \rangle$ : dark (red) bars show the fraction of 14 traditional courses (N = 2084), and light (green) bars show the fraction of 48 interactive engagement courses (N = 4458), both within bins of width  $\delta \langle g \rangle = 0.04$  centered on the  $\langle g \rangle$  values shown.

### III. CONCEPTUAL TEST RESULTS

#### A. Gain vs Pretest Graph - All Data

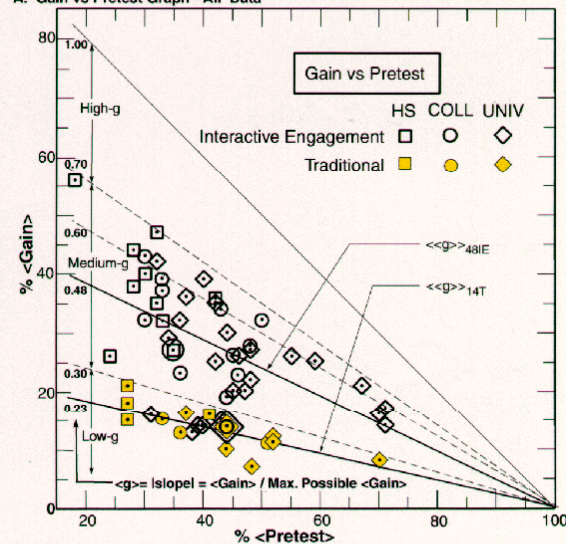


Fig. 1.  $\langle \text{Gain} \rangle$  vs  $\langle \text{Pretest} \rangle$  score on the conceptual Mechanics Diagnostic (MD) or Force Concept Inventory (FCI) tests for 62 courses enrolling a total  $N = 6542$  students: 14 traditional (T) courses ( $N = 2084$ ) which made little or no use of interactive engagement (IE) methods, and 48 IE courses ( $N = 4458$ ) which made considerable use of IE methods. Slope lines for the average of the 14 T courses  $\langle \langle g \rangle \rangle_{14T}$  and 48 IE courses  $\langle \langle g \rangle \rangle_{48IE}$  are shown, as explained in the text.

## Physics (Mechanics) Concepts: The Force Concept Inventory (FCI)

- A 30 item multiple choice test to probe student's understanding of basic concepts in mechanics.
- The choice of topics is based on careful thought about what the fundamental issues and concepts are in Newtonian dynamics.
- Uses common speech rather than cueing specific physics principles.
- The distractors (wrong answers) are based on students' common inferences.

## **Informal Cooperative Learning Groups**

Can be used at any time

Can be short term and ad hoc

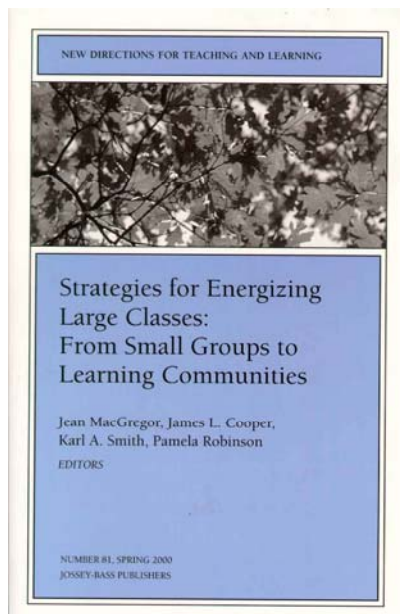
May be used to break up a long lecture

**Provides an opportunity for students to process material they have been listening to (Cognitive Rehearsal)**

Are especially effective in large lectures

Include "book ends" procedure

Are not as effective as Formal Cooperative Learning or Cooperative Base Groups



## ***Strategies for Energizing Large Classes: From Small Groups to Learning Communities:***

Jean MacGregor,  
James Cooper,  
Karl Smith,  
Pamela Robinson

*New Directions for Teaching and Learning,*  
No. 81, 2000.  
Jossey- Bass

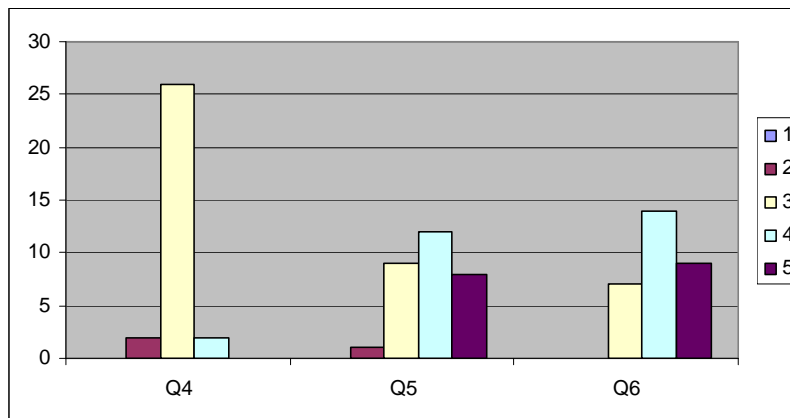
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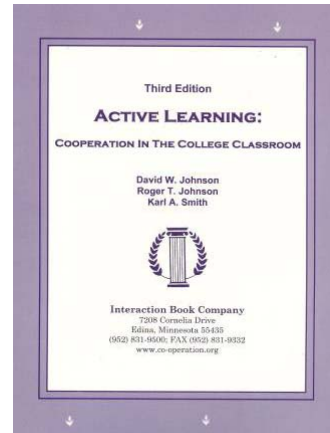
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## Active Learning: Cooperation in the College Classroom

- **Informal** Cooperative Learning Groups
- • **Formal** Cooperative Learning Groups
- Cooperative **Base** Groups



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## Formal Cooperative Learning Task Groups



**How Should Colleges Prepare Students To Succeed In Today's Global Economy?**

Based On Surveys Among Employers And Recent College Graduates

Conducted On Behalf Of:  
The Association Of American Colleges And Universities

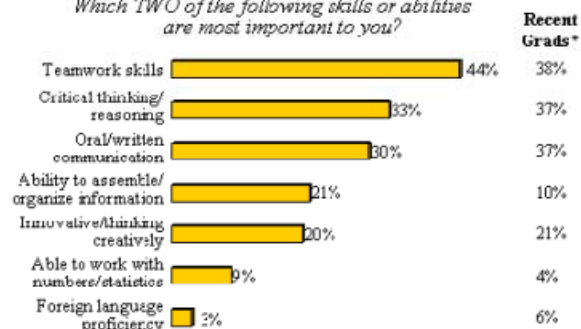
By Peter D. Hart Research Associates, Inc.

December 28, 2006

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## Most Important Skills Employers Look For In New Hires

*Which TWO of the following skills or abilities are most important to you?*



\* Skills/abilities recent graduates think are the two most important to employers

<http://www.aacu.org/advocacy/leap/documents/Re8097abcombined.pdf>

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## Top Three Main Engineering Work Activities

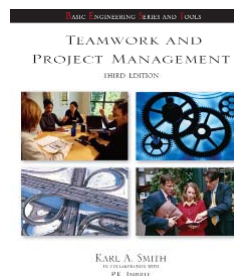
### Engineering Total

- Design – 36%
- Computer applications – 31%
- Management – 29%

### Civil/Architectural

- Management – 45%
- Design – 39%
- Computer applications – 20%

Burton, L., Parker, L., & LeBold, W. 1998. U.S. engineering career trends. *ASEE Prism*, 7(9), 18-21.



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# Teamwork Skills

- Communication
  - Listening and Persuading
- Decision Making
- Conflict Management
- Leadership
- Trust and Loyalty

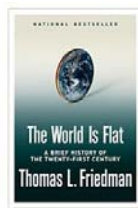
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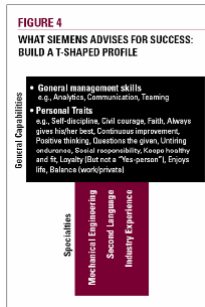
- Hit the Streets
- Recruit T-Shaped People
- Build to Think
- The Prototype Tells a Story
- Design Is Never Done



Tom Friedman  
Horizontalize  
Ourselves  
 $CQ+PQ>IQ$

## Design Thinking

Discipline Thinking



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### Professor's Role in Formal Cooperative Learning

1. Specifying Objectives
2. Making Decisions
3. Explaining Task, Positive Interdependence, and Individual Accountability
4. Monitoring and Intervening to Teach Skills
5. Evaluating Students' Achievement and Group Effectiveness

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### **Formal Cooperative Learning – Types of Tasks**

1. Jigsaw – Learning new conceptual/procedural material
2. Peer Composition or Editing
3. Reading Comprehension/Interpretation
4. **Problem Solving, Project, or Presentation**
5. Review/Correct Homework
6. Constructive Academic Controversy
7. Group Tests

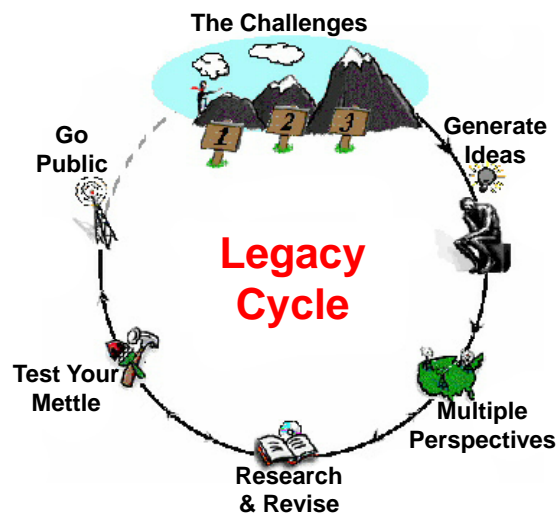
# Challenge-Based Learning

- Problem-based learning
- Case-based learning
- Project-based learning
- Learning by design
- Inquiry learning
- Anchored instruction

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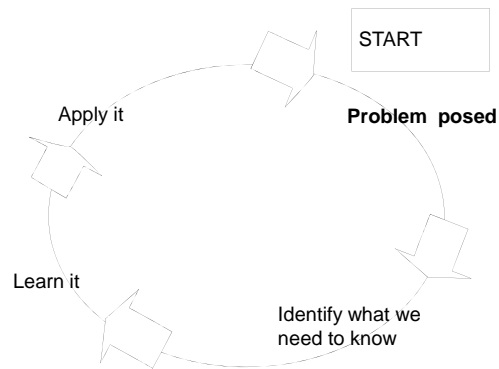
## Challenge-Based Instruction with the Legacy Cycle



<https://repo.vanth.org/portal/public-content/star-legacy-cycle/star-legacy-cycle>

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# Problem-Based Learning



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## Problem-Based Cooperative Learning

At M.I.T., Large Lectures Are Going the Way of the Blackboard



Josh Hillis for The New York Times  
The Massachusetts Institute of Technology has changed the way it offers some introductory classes. Prof. Gabriela Sculze at a class on electricity and magnetism.

By SARA RIMER  
Published: January 12, 2009

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — For as long as anyone can remember, introductory physics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology was taught in a vast windowless amphitheater known by its number,

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## About the SCALE-UP Project...

This research was supported, in part, by the U.S. Department of Education's Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE), the National Science Foundation (NSF), the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Physics Education Research (PER) program, the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Science, Engineering, and Technology Education (SETE) program, and the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Science, Engineering, and Technology Education (SETE) program. Opinions expressed are those of the authors and not necessarily those of our sponsors.

The primary goal of the **Student-Centered Activities for Large Enrollment Undergraduate Programs (SCALE-UP)** Project is to establish a highly collaborative, hands-on, computer-rich, interactive learning environment for large-enrollment courses.

Educational research indicates that students should collaborate on interesting tasks and be deeply involved with the material they are studying. We promote active learning in a redesigned classroom of 800 students or more. (Of course, smaller classes can also benefit.) We believe the SCALE-UP Project has the potential to radically change the way large classes are taught at colleges and universities. The social interactions between students and with their teachers appear to be the "active ingredient" that drive the approach work. As more and more instruction is handled virtually via technology, the relationship-building capability of brick and mortar institutions becomes even more important. The pedagogical methods and classroom management techniques we design and disseminate are general enough to be used in a wide variety of classes at many different types of colleges.

Classes is split primarily on "hybrid" and "onsiteable." Essentially these are hands-on activities, simulations, or interesting questions and problems. There are also some hypothesis-driven labs where students have to write detailed reports. (This [SCALE-UP](#) is more sophisticated than most, but shows what the best students are capable of doing.) Students sit in three groups of three students at a 9' foot diameter round table. Instructors circulate and work with teams and individuals, engaging them in Socratic-like dialogues. Each table has at least three networked laptops. The setting is very much like a banquet hall, with lively interactions nearly all the time. After many [colloquia](#) and [workshops](#), we are adopting the SCALE-UP room design and pedagogy. Engineering schools are especially keen on the [SCALE-UP](#) design, which fit in well with the requirements for ABET accreditation.

Materials developed for the course were incorporated into what became the leading introductory physics textbooks, used by more than 1/2 of all science, math, and engineering students in the country.

### Impact

Rigorous evaluations of learning have been conducted in parallel with the curriculum development effort. Besides hundreds of hours of classroom video and audio recordings, we also have conducted numerous interviews and focus groups, conducted many conceptual learning assessments (using nationally-recognized instruments in a pre/post/sustained pre/post), and collected portfolios of student work. We have data comprising nearly 15,000 traditional and SCALE-UP students. Our findings can be summarized as the following:

- Ability to solve problems is **improved**
- Conceptual understanding is **improved**
- Attitudes are **improved**
- Failure rates are drastically **reduced**, especially for women and minorities
- "At risk" students do better in later engineering statics classes

### Details

A [chapter](#) describing the approach and its underpinnings is available. A shorter [disposition](#) is posted on the PERL website, or you can view an [article](#) describing the project from the proceedings of the Sigma Xi Forum on Improving Undergraduate Education. The [Raleigh News & Observer](#) newspaper also has a [disposition](#) of the project. The very successful pilot project was [described](#) in the first issue of the Physics Education Research supplement to Am. J. of Physics. See our publication [page](#) for more information.

More than 90 colleges and universities across the US have adopted the SCALE-UP approach to their own institutions. In all cases, the basic ideas remain the same: get the students working together to explore something interesting. This frees the instructor to roam the room, asking questions and steering up debates. Class is shared, creative, math, engineering, and even literature have been taught the way. If you want more information, please contact [Dr. Robert Beichner](#).

<http://www.ncsu.edu/PER/scaleup.html>

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Building to serve as new hub for student life, including technology-rich "laboratories of the mind" and One Stop Student Services

Contact: Daniel Wilton, University News Service, [wilton@umn.edu](mailto:wilton@umn.edu), 612-625-4300

MINNEAPOLIS (ST PAUL, MN) —University of Minnesota technology and student today dedicated the new Science Teaching and Student Services (STSS) building, located at the gateway to the university's East Bank campus in Minneapolis.

The 115,000-square-foot STSS, which replaces the demolished Science Classroom Building, will be home not only to new "laboratories of the mind" and "active learning" classrooms but also to numerous student services offices, including One Stop Student Services, retention services and career services.

"This really is the kind of education at our Twin Cities campus," said university President Robert Dornhoefer. "We're grateful to the people of Minnesota for making this investment in their University."

The building, which was funded in large part by state bonding funds, has the stones and offers a wide view of the West Bank and downtown Minneapolis over the Mississippi River. It has 10 active learning classrooms, which provide for technology-driven and collaborative interaction among students and faculty. There are also five multimedia classrooms and two large lecture halls.

"Active learning classrooms are the classrooms of the future and have proven results in improving educational achievement for students," said university Provost Thomas Sullivan. "There is a critical need for more degrees in science, technology, engineering and mathematics fields to meet expected job growth. This new facility supports our efforts to educate the scientists and engineers who make the discoveries of tomorrow."

In addition, the STSS is designed to meet or exceed the requirements of Minnesota's stringent LEED sustainable design code and meets LEED Gold certification. Sustainable

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## PROBLEM-BASED LEARNING

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[PBL Clearinghouse](#)

[PBL Conferences and Other PBL sites](#)

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"How can I get my students to think?" is a question asked by many faculty, regardless of their disciplines. Problem-based learning (PBL) is an instructional method that challenges students to "learn to learn," working cooperatively in groups to seek solutions to real world problems. These problems are used to engage students' curiosity and initiate learning the subject matter. PBL prepares students to think critically and analytically, and to find and use appropriate learning resources. -- *Barbara Duch*

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# Problem-Based Cooperative Learning

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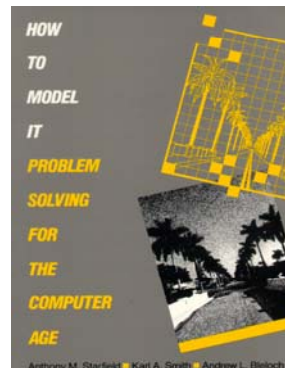
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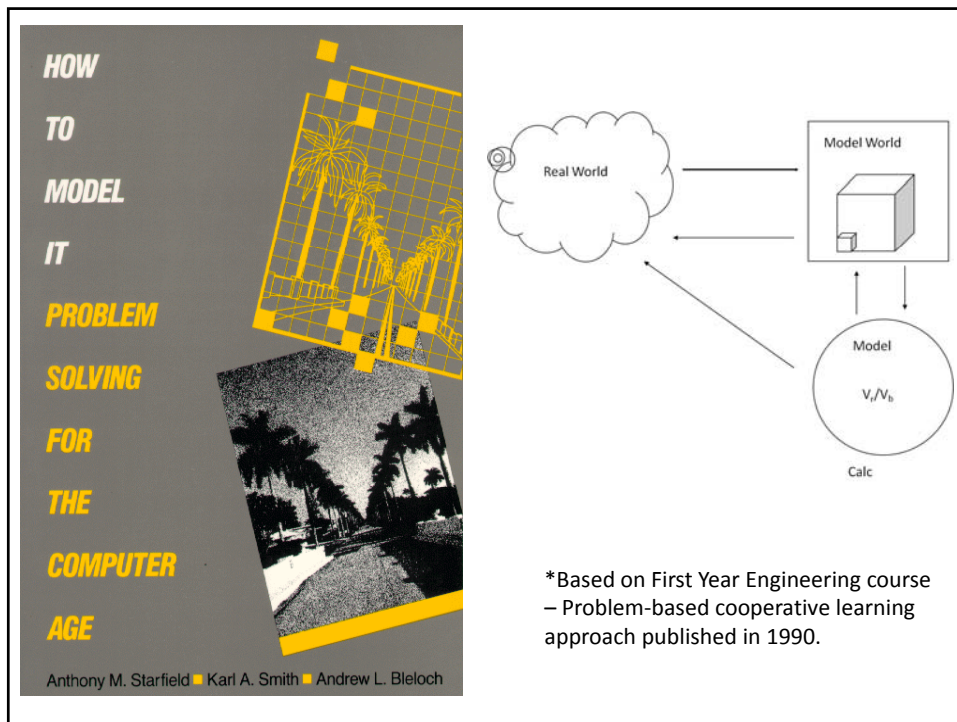
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## First Course Design Experience UMN – Institute of Technology

- Thinking Like an Engineer
- Problem Identification
- Problem Formulation
- Problem Representation
- Problem Solving



Problem-Based Learning



## Problem Based Cooperative Learning Format

**TASK:** Solve the problem(s) or Complete the project.

**INDIVIDUAL:** Estimate answer. Note strategy.

**COOPERATIVE:** One set of answers from the group, strive for agreement, make sure everyone is able to explain the strategies used to solve each problem.

**EXPECTED CRITERIA FOR SUCCESS:** Everyone must be able to explain the strategies used to solve each problem.

**EVALUATION:** Best answer within available resources or constraints.

**INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTABILITY:** One member from your group may be randomly chosen to explain (a) the answer and (b) how to solve each problem.

**EXPECTED BEHAVIORS:** Active participating, checking, encouraging, and elaborating by all members.

**INTERGROUP COOPERATION:** Whenever it is helpful, check procedures, answers, and strategies with another group.

## Cooperative Base Groups

- Are Heterogeneous
- Are Long Term (at least one quarter or semester)
- Are Small (3-5 members)
- Are for support
- May meet at the beginning of each session or may meet between sessions
- Review for quizzes, tests, etc. together
- Share resources, references, etc. for individual projects
- Provide a means for covering for absentees

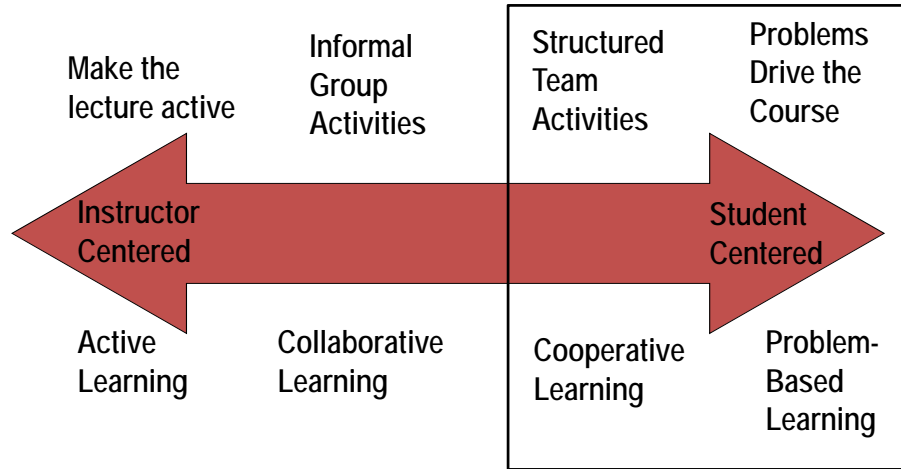
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## Designing and Implementing Cooperative Learning

- Think like a designer
- Ground practice in robust theoretical framework
- Start small, start early and iterate
- Celebrate the successes; problem-solve the failures



## The Active Learning Continuum



Prince, M. (2010). NAE FOEE

\*My work is situated here – Cooperative Learning & Challenge-Based Learning

## Design and Implementation of Cooperative Learning – Resources

- Design Framework – How People Learn (HPL) & Backward Design Process
  - Streveler, R.A., Smith, K.A. and Pilotte, M. 2011. Aligning Course Content, Assessment, and Delivery: Creating a Context for Outcome-Based Education – <http://www.ce.umn.edu/~smith/vlinks.html>
  - Bransford, Vye & Bateman. 2002. Creating High Quality Learning Environments -- <http://www.fairweather.com/book/035509527.html>
  - Pellegrino – Rethinking and redesigning curriculum, instruction and assessment: What contemporary research and theory suggests. <http://www.naepcommission.org/commissioned.html>
  - Smith, K. A., Douglas, T. C., & Cox, M. 2009. Supportive teaching and learning strategies in STEM education. In R. Baldwin, (Ed.). Improving the climate for undergraduate teaching in STEM fields. [New Directions for Teaching and Learning, 117](#), 19-32. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass.
- Content Resources
  - Donald, Janet. 2002. Learning to think: Disciplinary perspectives. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass.
  - Middendorf, Joan and Pace, David. 2004. Decoding the Disciplines: A Model for Helping Students Learn Disciplinary Ways of Thinking. [New Directions for Teaching and Learning, 98](#).
- Cooperative Learning - Instructional Format explanation and exercise to model format and to engage workshop participants
  - Cooperative Learning (Johnson, Johnson & Smith)
    - Smith web site – [www.ce.umn.edu/~smith](http://www.ce.umn.edu/~smith)
  - Smith (2010) Social nature of learning: From small groups to learning communities. [New Directions for Teaching and Learning, 2010, 123, 11-22 \[NDTL-123-2-Smith-Social-Basis-of-Learning.pdf\]](#)
  - Smith, Sheppard, Johnson & Johnson (2005) Pedagogies of Engagement [[Smith-Pedagogies of Engagement.pdf](#)]
  - Cooperative learning returns to college: What evidence is there that it works? [Change, 1998, 30 \(4\), 26-35. \[CL>ReturnsToCollege.pdf\]](#)
- Other Resources
  - University of Delaware PBL web site – [www.udel.edu/pbl](http://www.udel.edu/pbl)
  - PKAL – Pedagogies of Engagement – <http://www.pkal.org/activities/PedagogiesOfEngagementSummit.cfm>
  - Fairweather (2008) Linking Evidence and Promising Practices in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Undergraduate Education. [http://www7.nationalacademies.org/p/press/awebinar\\_CommissionReport\\_APEL.pdf](http://www7.nationalacademies.org/p/press/awebinar_CommissionReport_APEL.pdf)