

Editorial

This bumper issue is the biggest we have produced as yet. It brings together the eminently readable contributions from the Harvey Mudd workshop V. The series of papers from the workshops have been published in Volumes 17, 19, 20 and 21 of this journal and represent a milestone collection of papers on engineering design education and the wider issues of engineering education. Contributions also contain features on creativity (Ogot et.al.) and spirituality (Meijknecht et al.) and pointedly reveal the increasing involvement of social and education faculty with engineering education issues. It is a manifestation of the concern of all educators with issues of social responsibility and sustainability—concerns now common to anyone committed to the future of the planet. Clive Dym has been the guiding spirit of these meetings and has carefully and judiciously selected and reviewed the contributions. My deep appreciation and thanks to Clive.

The journal Website has added a feature of great importance for referencing IJEE publications. A search engine for the journal site is now available. It reveals the wealth of information contained in the journal's papers. The search engine is still under development towards full potential of searching all contents of individual articles, but is already quite powerful in searching contents. The reason for it not yet working at full power is that our files as printed are not searchable in PDF. We are actively pursuing conversion of all files to searchable PDF so that all data can be searched.

Once again, a consideration of the current exceptionally large number of contributions the journal is receiving implies a singularly phenomenal rejection rate. The journal is receiving over 1000 contributions a year and having increases in numbers of published papers to over 150 papers a year as compared to 50 papers 5 years ago. We are pleased with the rate of submission—ensuring a high quality of the accepted publications. Inevitably though, there are quite a number of good contributions we are unable to accommodate for publication.

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