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SPECIAL ISSUE ON

Variation and prospects of PBL in engineering education

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This special issue calls for contributions to a timely discussion on what PBL has brought to engineering education and where it shall lead. The special issue specifically aims to:
• firstly, encourage educational practitioners to investigate the scholarship of Teaching, Learning and Curriculum through critical reflection on their PBL practices conceptually and methodologically
• secondly, invite critical consideration of the institutional, societal, and cultural factors that drive, allocate resources, and constrain the choice of certain types or modes of PBL practices
• thirdly, invite cross-disciplinary, cross-institutional, cross-cultural comparison of empirical work in order to put forward new perspectives of engineering education research

Criteria for contributions

Potential contributions can address any topic within the current PBL practices, but need to include solid theoretical work and empirical investigations. Submissions (extended abstracts and full manuscripts) should include:
• clearly formulated research problems, well-defined research questions and aims of the study
• relevant theoretical and literature background
• justification of research design and description of research methods for empirical data collection and analysis
• elaboration on the new aspects added to the existing PBL literature

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