Project Based Learning in Engineering Education.

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Abstract

Engineering education is a very important field of every country because of the day to day engineering problems face in real life. Due to this, Project-based learning in engineering education is a very important instructional model due to the constructivist approach to learning, which entails the construction of knowledge with multiple perspectives, within a social activity, and allows for self-awareness of learning. In this paper, we have presented an experiment of students acquiring knowledge without and with project based learning models which include, videos and practical experiment. The results reveals that using project based learning model build a great impart in terms of knowledge to the student.

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