Secondary STEM
Design-Driven Problem Solving:
EbD for Grades 6-12

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ITEEA’s STEM Center for Teaching and Learning: the hub for industry standard integrative STEM education content development, research, assessment, and professional development
**Integrative STEM Education** is operationally defined as:

"the application of technological/engineering design based pedagogical approaches to intentionally teach content and practices of science and mathematics education through the content and practices of technology/engineering education. Integrative STEM Education is *equally applicable* at the natural intersections of learning within the continuum of content areas, educational environments, and academic levels." (Wells & Ernst, 2012/2015)

(as adapted from Wells/Sanders VA Tech program documents 2006-10).
The Goal of the STEM Center for Teaching and Learning™ (STEM CTL™) is to develop the premier, nationally recognized model for Integrative STEM Education (I-STEM Education) programs.

The Center is addressing this goal in the Engineering byDesign™ (EbD™) curriculum through the ITEEA 6E Learning byDeSIGN™ Instructional Model. This model effectively integrates STEM subjects and relevant themes, and its use of research-based constructivist learning practices empowers students as lifelong learners.
ENGAGE
The purpose of the ENGAGE phase is to pique student interest and get them personally involved in the lesson, while pre-assessing prior understanding.

EXPLORE
The purpose of the EXPLORE phase is to provide students with the opportunity to construct their own understanding of the topic.

EXPLAIN
The purpose of the EXPLAIN phase is to provide students with an opportunity to explain and refine what they have learned so far and determine what it means.

eNGINEER Extend/Elaborate
The purpose of the eNGINEER phase is to provide students with an opportunity to develop greater depth of understanding about the problem topic by applying concepts, practices and attitudes.

ENRICH
The purpose of the ENRICH phase is to provide students with an opportunity to explore in more depth what they have learned and to transfer concepts to more complex problems.

EVALUATE
The purpose of the EVALUATION phase is for both students and teachers to determine how much learning and understanding has taken place.
K-12 Standards-Based Integrative-STEM Model

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**NAE Grand Challenges for Engineering**

- Advance Personalized Learning
- Enhance Virtual Reality
- Engineer Better Medicines
- Restore and Improve Urban Infrastructure
- Provide Access to Clean Water
- Manage the Nitrogen Cycle
- Develop Carbon Sequestration Methods
- Prevent Nuclear Terror
- Make Solar Energy Economical
- Reverse Engineer the Brain
- Advance Health Informatics
- Secure Cyberspace
- Provide Energy from Fusion
- Engineer the Tools of Scientific Discovery
Engineering for All – **Food: Vertical Farming**

Engineering for All – **Water: The World in Crisis**

- Each 6 week unit is based on STL, NGSS, and NAE Grand Challenges
- Project Drivers:
  - Promoting the potential of engineering as a social good.
  - Revisiting overarching themes (design, modeling, systems, resources, and human values).
  - Using authentic social contexts for teaching and learning STEM ideas and practices.
  - Using *Informed Design* as the core pedagogical methodology.
Informed Design

-enables students to enhance their own related knowledge and skill base before attempting to suggest design solutions. In this way, students reach design solutions informed by prior knowledge and research, as opposed to trial-and-error problem solving where conceptual closure is often not attained.
Beyond the initial hydroponics design challenge:

- Sensors (humidity, temperature, etc.)
- Controls (misters, pumps, etc.)
EbD™ Engineering for All
Soft Robotics for EbD™

Robotics and automation technologies have a significant impact on our daily lives.

Soft Robots are an emerging field of robotics in which materials are soft and pliable.
EbD/TI Course Integration: Robotics
EbD/TI Course Integration: Foundations of Technology (Grade 9)

**Directions:** Use the picture below to determine the firing angle of your device. When complete, test the device and record the results from testing below. Document how the device was redesigned to increase efficiency.

![Diagram of initial velocity and firing angle](image)

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**Beyond initial analysis:**

Mathematical description of marshmallow's flight; Predictions; Calculate max height knowing flight time, etc.
Humans have always had an innate desire to explore past the boundaries of earth to the moon and beyond. What do humans need to know and be able to do in order to colonize Mars and live there for an extended period of time?

How to design a rover/robot to navigate and traverse the Mars surface to assist astronauts in the exploration and colonization of Mars?

Before we can solve a problem, we must understand it as thoroughly as possible. What exactly are we being asked to do? What resources are available? What are the specifications and constraints for solving the problem? How will we know if we have succeeded?

Apply Engineering Design Process: -Problem identification -brainstorming -specifications and constraints -multiple iterations -predictive analysis -modeling -testing and evaluation -product refinement

How can the lessons we’re learning here apply to other kinds of problems we might encounter in colonizing Mars?

How else might the Mars Coleman assist with other problem scenarios? What about other environments, like deep sea research?

Self evaluation

Peer evaluation

Teacher evaluation

Identify STEM practices needed to solve this problem

What about other workforce knowledge and skills?
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Questions and Next Steps?
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