

# An Alternative Perspective for Malaysian Engineering Education: A Review from Year 2000-2012

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## ABSTRACT

The purpose of this study is to explore the research base of engineering education in the Journal of Engineering Education (JEE) through an analysis review of articles for a 12-year period, from 2000 to 2012. The research base review focuses on identifying five characteristics of engineering education: (a) temporal distribution, (b) frequently cited authors in JEE articles, (c) research areas involved in each article, (d) types of participant, and (e) methodological design employed. Published journals from web-based sources were selected aligned on the original author's discussion of engineering education in the articles. The findings summarize the core consistencies of engineering education literature across the globe over the years by identifying the engineering related content professionals addressed in their respective fields.

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## INTRODUCTION

Engineering is a field not understood by many people ("American Perspective on Engineers and Engineering" 2004; "Harris Poll Reveals Public Perceptions of Engineering" 1998). Since engineering involves a broad spectrum of activities and goals, the public is still unable to see engineering's many aspects and how these aspects interact. The different representations of engineering may continue to cause public misunderstanding (Mean & Diefes-Dux, 2012). The same goes with the students because though students displayed a broadened awareness of engineering than the existing research suggests, there was limited knowledge of various engineering fields and a strong perception of engineering as large construction (English, Dawes, & Hudson, 2011). At the same time, it is perceived that engineering programs often do not provide enough practical experiences early in the curriculum (Shallcross, 2006).

Apart from the misinterpretation and limitations in engineering education, currently the number of engineers produced around the world seems to have decreased in a worrying fashion. In fact the lack of qualified engineers is currently reported to be one of the principal obstacles to economic growth encountered by innovative firms in many industrialized and industrializing countries (UNESCO, 2010). The number of students in the United States (US) who enter engineering programs in college is projected to drop, a trend that many believe will have a negative impact on the US workforce (NAS et al., 2007; NAE & NRC, 2009). In addition, students who do pursue engineering degrees do not reflect the diversity of students in the US, a pattern of enrolment that is likely to have a number of negative consequences, both for the successful practice of engineering and for the resolution of broader societal issues (NAE & NRC, 2009). According to DeJarnette (2012), there is a great need in the US for talented engineers. Parallel with that, Spain also faces a shrinking engineering workforce (Capilla, Hervas, & Soriano, 2008). The percentage of young researchers working in this area has declined, as can be seen when analyzing the results of several research reports (Aceituno, Campanario, & Burgos, 2010; Alemany, Alvarez, Planellas, & Urbano, 2011; INE, 2011; Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovacion, 2008; OECD, 2009). Converging evidence has shown that some countries have taken early measures to prevent a decrease in producing creative engineers. In line with that, China has already encouraged engineering education among primary school students through a project called Total Engineering Education (TEE) (Tu, 2006). TEE encompasses the entire engineering education and profession preparation system, beginning from primary school programs through to high school graduation, to post-secondary and graduate education (Tu, 2006).

Malaysia is also experiencing the same problem as other countries across the globe. In Malaysia, the Ministry of Education has estimated the current number of engineers in the country at about 140,000. This is projected to reach over 200,000 by 2017, based on an annual output of 15,000 new graduates here in Malaysia (Kieong, 2012). These engineers should be academically qualified, have the necessary training and experience or wide exposure to the engineering profession. However, it is an alarming target to be accomplished since the students' enrolment into the science stream has decreased as low as 29% in 2012 (Nordin, 2012). At the present rate, it will be difficult for Malaysia to increase the number of quality engineers in the country. This can result in serious consequence to the country's innovation and development plan since only students who enrol in Science, or Science and Mathematics are able to pursue further in science education and science related careers. It is inevitable that the sustained competitive advantage of nations depend more and more on the engineering field. Unfortunately, Malaysian primary and secondary schools seem to have a limitation in producing enough students with the interest, motivation and skills required (Ali, 2012). This is an urgent issue since Malaysia needs at least 500,000 workforce from the science stream this coming 2020 to be declared a fully developed country (Hamdan, 2012). Apart from the students' interest in learning science, the misconceptions and the restrictions in engineering programs could also be the factors holding back Malaysia's vision to grow into an established nation.

Hence, this paper focuses on the research areas in each of the engineering education article that has been researched in the *Journal of Engineering Education* (JEE) over a period of 12 years. Despite having a high impact factor (1.925), there has been a lack of review research in JEE; this paper reviews published articles in almost the entire journals in JEE. Apart from that, although there are a number of review articles published in JEE, none of them are published for a review of 12 years. Therefore, the search in this paper was limited from the years 2000 until 2012 and a total of 222 published articles were identified.

This review is not undertaken to report solely on the collective achievement of a large number of people regarding engineering education research but rather to be used as a means for setting a comprehensive foundation for the future research and development of Malaysian engineering education. Despite almost all the perceived articles in JEE were authors from abroad, this review provides the thoughts and an eye opener for Malaysian researchers especially on the advancement of Malaysian engineering education. Thus, this review not only represents a synthesis in its own right but at the same time offers crucial perspective from a collective of engineering education research across the globe. This paper aims at giving some serious points and beliefs about engineering education apart from moving forward, in line with other nations.

The purpose of this paper is to give a general idea of engineering education that has been carried out in countries across the globe as well as to assess it and discuss its possibilities for future development of Malaysia. This paper is also aimed at exploring the type and the regularity of research areas that have been researched in engineering education. Apart from analysing the research areas or issues in each engineering field, the type of participants and the research methodology employed are also analysed. In fact, the authors who have published regularly in JEE articles are also discussed in this paper in order to provide an opportunity to Malaysian researchers who are keen in researching engineering education fields. However, it is perceived that some loopholes do exist where more research could be carried out involving engineering education across the nation. This review answers the ambiguities by reflecting on where Malaysian engineering education could be directed apart from perceiving questions that need to be considered in its on-going development.

## METHOD

This paper identified published research using Educational Resources Information Centre (ERIC) as the main scanning bibliographic database. Access to ERIC database has become considerably easier with the emergence of web-based service providers such as EBSCO, Educational Journals @ ProQuest, Emerald, Science Direct, Scopus™, Springer Link, Taylor and Francis Online and Web of Science. However, this paper has solely employed Educational Journals @ ProQuest database where this database is scanned to retrieve the published articles involving engineering education in JEE articles. These articles were screened using key search terms such as "engineering", "education", "review", "issue" and "field". By analysing the articles' title, abstract, research areas, samples, methods and findings, this paper managed to provide empirical results involving temporal distribution of engineering education, research at education levels and methodological approaches apart from reviewing the frequently cited authors in JEE. Apart from that, this article has grouped the steps that countries have taken in facing the dwindling force of engineering in their respective nations. The methods utilized by the researchers have been grouped and analysed in a comprehensive fashion. These merged groups have been compressed into categories such as learning style, teaching methods and STEM education where these categories or research areas remain as one of the ways to overcome the shrinking force of engineers both in developed and developing countries.

Meta-analysis offers several benefits over traditional narrative review as employed in this paper. Although meta-analysis offers a more objective, disciplined and transparent style to assimilate existing findings, in practice meta-analysis still produces inaccurate conclusions (Ellis, 2011). In fact, editorial boards have discovered that findings must be interpreted in a significant way and not just by providing the effect sizes without providing the viewpoint (Humphrey, 2011). Apart from that, a collection of quantitative data is required for an inclusion of meta-analysis (Ellis, 2011) where this paper has managed to retrieve fewer numbers of published researches which use the quantitative research paradigm. Hence, a narrative review supported by descriptive empirical statistics is employed to interpret the research findings in this paper.

## RESULTS

The findings of this paper provide a descriptive analysis of the engineering education research field. Although there is a research base for engineering education in Malaysia, these findings give an additional appearance of why and how other countries have perceived engineering education for the past 12 years. Parallel to that, these findings have summarized the scope of research being conducted by engineering education scholars, who is being studied and the institutions in which engineering education research is being conducted and published. The findings are organized in five sections;

- a) Temporal distribution,
- b) Frequent authors in JEE articles,
- c) Research areas involved in each article
- d) Types of participant and
- e) Methodological design employed.

- a) Temporal distribution of research studies in engineering education.

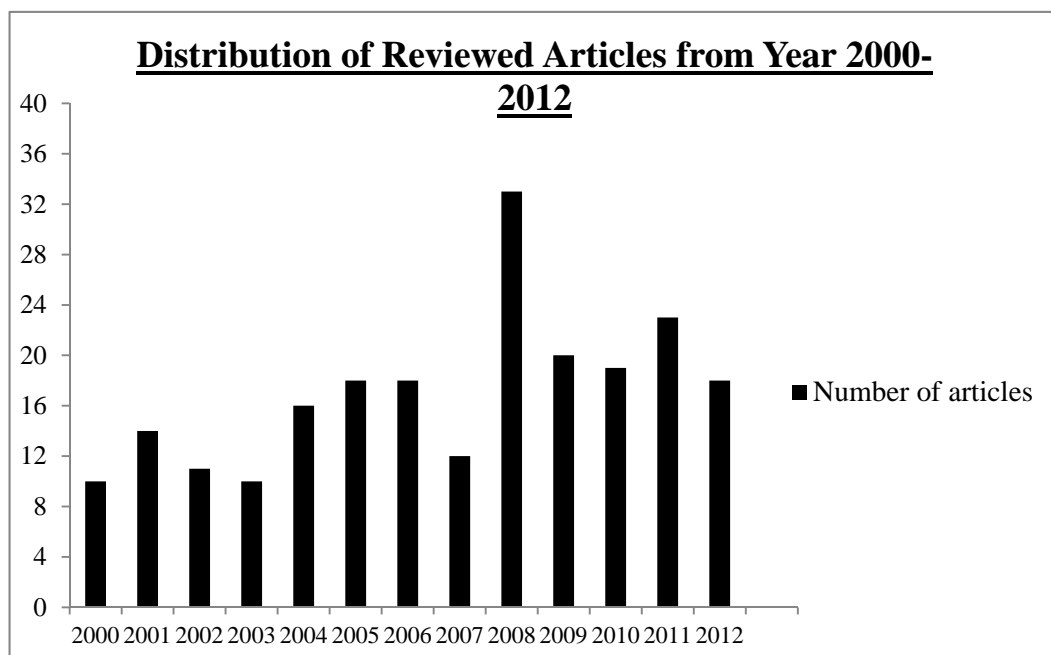


Figure 1: Distribution of reviewed articles.

Figure 1 presents the distribution of articles during the studied period. The total number of articles analysed is 222 throughout a period of 12 years. The dispersal of engineering education articles published in JEE fluctuated from 2000 until 2012 whereby the maximum number of reviewed articles was 33 in 2008. However, the distribution of articles portrayed a positive outlook when the reviewed articles increased gradually from 2003 until 2006. The total increment was 80%. The following year, the reviewed articles have decreased 33% before increasing a total of 64% in 2008. The distribution pattern continued to fluctuate until 2012. The highest frequency for the reviewed articles is in 2008 where a total of 15% contributed to the overall distribution of the reviewed articles. Since year 2008 has the most number of published articles between 2000 until 2012, it is observed that only year 2008 has articles pertaining to all types of

methodologies employed in engineering education published articles. Apart from published articles, unpublished articles were also sought to help minimise the risk of publication bias (The Joanna Briggs Institute for Evidence Based Nursing & Midwifery, 2001). Fortunately, this paper has also reviewed unpublished articles despite finding unpublished studies are difficult to source, since, by their very nature, there is generally no public record of unpublished articles. Hence, this paper summarizes of all past research on engineering education through both published and unpublished articles.

b) Frequent authors in JEE articles

Table 1: Frequently quoted authors in JEE from year 2000-2012

No.	JEE Authors	Published Articles
1.	Felder, R. M	10
2.	Ohland, M. W	7
3.	Brent, R	5
4.	Besterfield, S. M	5
5.	Diefes-Dux, A. H	4
6.	Lackey, J. W	4
7.	Lackey, L. W	4
8.	Prince, M. J	3
9.	Brodersen, A. J	2
10.	Follman, D. K	2
11.	Hartman, H	2
12.	Hartman, M	2

Table 1 shows the authors who have published frequently in JEE. A total of 12 authors have been identified in this paper. Felder was among the authors who have contributed the most number of articles in JEE pertaining to engineering education whereby 5% of the perceived articles in this paper have recognized Felder's research in engineering education studies. Three of Felder's articles pertained to motivation in engineering education. However, all the articles were published for undergraduates and the methodology employed was mainly qualitative. The situation for Brent is similar because Brent was the co-researcher for Felder in all the five published articles. On the other hand, Ohland has written the second highest number of articles in JEE where the articles emphasize on gender and motivation in engineering education. Ohland used a large database of sample among undergraduates to publish the outcome of both qualitative and quantitative based research paradigm. The articles were constructed on samples from 9 universities and a range of 75,000-100, 179 participants. Meanwhile, Besterfield, published a versatile pattern of articles where the perceived articles were published using undergraduates and middle school students, mainly in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) field. The following authors also published a flexible research design although most of them employed higher institution participants in most of their articles.

c) Research areas involved in each article

There are 15 research areas that have been summarized from the 222 articles. Some articles have more than one research area but most of them have at least one main research area in their write up. A total of 239 research areas have been analysed. Figure 2 illustrates the type of research areas involved in each article of engineering education in the published articles. Each research area is also differentiated based on calculated percentages.

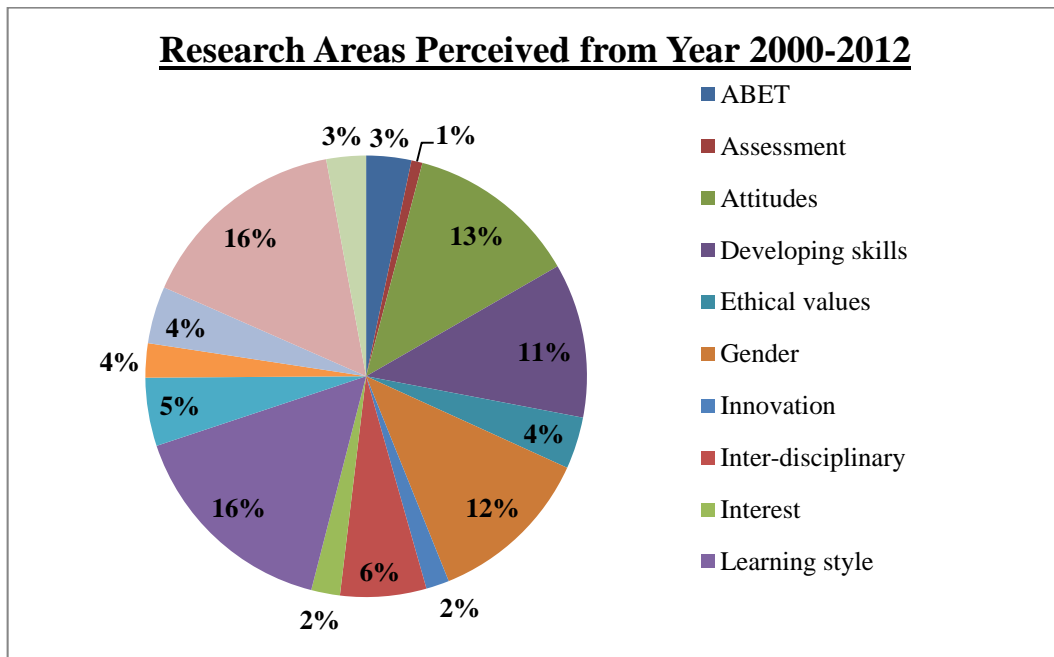


Figure 2: Research areas in engineering education from year 2000-2012

This paper perceives that both learning style and teaching method research areas are given more or less the equal priority by researchers within the 12 year period. A total percentage of 32% is highlighted on teaching and learning in engineering education. Apart from that, attitudes and gender research areas are also emphasised in the published articles. Gender research area has been stressed every year of the JEE publication, mainly researching on the involvement of women in engineering education. Parallel to that, areas such as developing skills and inter-disciplinary fields are also among the frequent research areas highlighted in engineering education. Subsequently, research areas such as motivation (5%), STEM education (4%), ethical values (4%), Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) (3%) and transformation of engineering education (3%) are also perceived in this paper. Transforming engineering education research area only started at the end of 2008 where issues such as mapping cultural landscape are stressed in a global scenario of engineering education.

The transformation also highlighted the practice, policy and industry in 6 different continents. Hence, some articles in JEE were published pertaining to the best practices and recommendations in order to revolutionise engineering education. As years passed by, issues such as sustaining and expanding using professional development and community action research were also observed in transformation of engineering education research area. These areas are also conveyed with research areas such as interest (2%), innovation (2%) and assessment (1%). Both interest and innovation were areas that were given lesser emphasis although in assessment, the system of assessment and formative pattern are revealed in the articles perceived. A total of 2.5% of articles researched on other areas such as students' misconception, academic trends, demographics, achievement, administration and research on reliability.

Among the stated 15 research areas, a sum of 5 research areas are analysed to scrutinise the highlighted issues in each research area. These perceived research areas are learning style, teaching method, attitudes, developing skills and inter-disciplinary. These areas were stressed since researchers have given high emphasis to them in the 12 years of publication. Apart from that, these perceived areas have also indicated the issues in a clear fashion to expose the importance of these issues in engineering education either globally or based on the respective countries of origin.

Table2: Research areas in engineering education

No.	Research Areas & Issues	Number of Articles
1.	<u>Learning style:</u>	38
	cooperative	8
	teamwork	5
	collaborative	4
	conceptual	4
	inquiry-based	2
	design-based	2
	active learning	2
	goal-oriented	1
	distance learning	1
	student centred	1
	self-directed	1
	contextual	1
	online learning	1
affective learning	1	
<b>Total issues perceived</b>		<b>34</b>
2.	<u>Teaching method:</u>	37
	problem solving	6
	web-based	5
	laboratory	5
	module	4
	hands-on	2
	pedagogical	2
	computational	2
	using theory	1
	inductive	1
	simulations	1
<b>Total issues perceived</b>		<b>29</b>
3.	<u>Attitudes:</u>	30
	beliefs	3
	discipline	3
	self-efficacy	3
	decision making	2
	leadership	2
	risk taking	1
	anxiety	1
responsible	1	

	self-managed	1
	research based (methodologies)	1
	<b>Total issues perceived</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b><u>Developing skills:</u></b>	<b>27</b>
	cognitive	7
	reasoning	5
	critical thinking	3
	analytical	2
	spatial abilities	2
	entrepreneurial	2
	designing	1
	intellectual	1
	non-technical	1
	<b>Total issues perceived</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b><u>Inter-disciplinary:</u></b>	<b>15</b>
	nanotechnology	1
	science-engineering	1
	economic-engineering	1
	biology & engineering	1
	research & scholarship	1
	pathway for innovations	1
	social science & engineering	1
	design, technology & engineering	1
	mathematics, science & engineering	1
	technology, engineering & computer science	1
	chemistry, mathematics, physics & computer science	1
	<b>Total issues perceived</b>	<b>11</b>

The total issues perceived and the number of articles in each research area do not match since a handful of articles could not clearly mention the issues involved in the respective research. Thus, this paper discusses the articles which have evidently revealed the main issues of the research areas. However, despite gender research area contributing a total of 12% from the entire articles, it is observed that gender research area mainly discusses the difference between both men and women in engineering education apart from focusing solely on women rather than perceiving the progress and achievement of both genders. Professional development workshops, E-mentoring, electronic learning and cooperative learning are a few of the approaches that have been aimed at increasing women's participation in engineering.

Researchers of engineering education have highlighted the significance of studying in a group whether at school or university level. In either of the academic institutions, issues such as cooperative, teamwork and collaborative have been stressed in the advancement of learning style in engineering education. Learning in engineering education using cooperative style has dominated other issues of learning style since a total of 8 issues have been assembled in this paper. Subsequently, issues of teamwork and collaboration with each contributing five and four issues in total have been explored. These issues of studying in a group of people are often discussed in learning style research area as compared to issues such as goal-oriented, distance learning, student-centred, self-directed, contextual, online learning and affective learning. This is because all these issues have been explored once in every analysed article. However,

studying the engineering field using concepts, inquiry, design and active learning has been highlighted more than once in engineering education research articles.

On the contrary, teaching method is also a crucial research area in engineering education since a total of 29 issues have been perceived in this paper. Teaching the engineering participants using problem solving technique was one of the major issues that have gained attention from the researchers. Apart from that, teaching engineering based on web, laboratory and module has been equally highlighted throughout the years in engineering education. Issues of teaching engineering using web-based which began in 2000, advanced to a higher stage when issues such as computational methods and simulations began to be stressed in research articles. Yet, conventional teaching issues such as pedagogical, theory and hands-on have not been neglected. In fact these issues were also highlighted in an undemanding manner in teaching engineering among the research participants in academic institutions.

Another vital research area is attitude because research on areas pertaining to attitude has been fluctuating within the 12 years under review. A total of 18 issues were perceived in this research area and issues such as beliefs, discipline, self-efficacy, decision making and leadership are analysed and assembled under the attitude research area. Most of these issues were grounded on engineering participants whether students or graduates where their intention to graduate in science and engineering has declined. In fact, they are failing to graduate in science and engineering because these participants according to perceived articles are switching to non-science major. Hence, the issues on decision making are also accentuated on choosing the right career for these research participants.

By the same token, developing skills has also attracted major concentration since various issues are identified pertaining to this research area. All the issues in developing skills are involved in the thinking process expected for non-technical and entrepreneurial issues. Starting from cognitive issue, followed by reasoning ability and critical thinking, all these issues are given priority in developing skills for engineering education. Likewise, skills such as entrepreneurial, spatial abilities and analytical thinking have also gathered attention from authors in their published articles. Intellectual skills are perceived to be an important element in studying engineering since all these issues are directly or indirectly related to higher order thinking skills.

The intersection between two different fields is also crucial in engineering education since the inter-disciplinary research areas have highlighted a total of eleven issues in this paper. Various intersections of field have been concentrated in the perceived articles. Apart from educational fields, there are also cross discipline among research, scholarship and pathways for innovations. However, there is a lack in combination of science and engineering as the emergence of these researches has yet to be covered especially in the newspapers and debates in common parlance.

#### d) Types of participant

There are six major groups of participants that were stressed in the published research articles. These groups of participants vary from middle school level up to university level. Research studies in engineering education have employed them as samples in order to gather feedback on the researched fields. The following Table 3 describes the type of participants involved and the number of samples gathered in each level of engineering participant.

Table 3: Type of participants in engineering education

No.	Participant	Frequency
1.	Undergraduate	136
2.	Adults	44
3.	Students	21
4.	Faculty members	15
5.	Graduate	12
6.	Teachers	4
	<b>Total</b>	<b>232</b>

It is observed that engineering education in JEE articles has highlighted the age group between 20-25 years old since a total of 59% of articles has focused on university undergraduates. Adults in this paper consist of participants between the age group of 19-60 years old and they comprise researchers, scientists, practitioners, engineers, supervisors, clients, subordinates, outsiders, technicians, engineering educators, engineering school directors, advisory board members, staff members and instructors. This is followed by students with the frequency of high school students being ten and middle school students numbering eight. Middle school students, who are aged between 11-15 years, were employed in the engineering education research, particularly the 8th graders aged 13-14 years depending on the country's education system. However, the sum of both the groups does not match the total frequency since three research articles only mentioned the terms of "students" and "schools". Thus the samples in the perceived articles could not be analysed in detail. Subsequently, faculty members who also apparently attached to university level are perceived to be employed as engineering participants in this review. Graduate participants also known as post-graduate students who are furthering their studies to masters, doctorate or post-doctorate level are also used in obtaining the respective



findings for the engineering education field. Finally the teachers are only used a total of 4 times and all of them are involved in middle school and none at high school level.

With respect to both university and school, it is perceived that researchers prefer to employ matured participants as their research samples. This is because 89% of the employed participants are at higher level of education whereas only 11% of them are school based. Surprisingly only a handful of research has used teachers as participants in engineering education studies though these participants are also old and matured enough. This exposes that research on engineering education has underscored the most advanced level of education, leaving students and teachers in schools with much lesser attention. Research trend also discloses the extent of importance given to pre-elementary children since this group of participant have not been utilized in engineering studies over the years. Conceivably, researchers throughout the years have been directed by the policy makers rather than setting in critical and independent thoughts into their studies.

#### e) Methodological design employed

Methodological design trend for the past 12 years shows that six types of research design or method have been employed in engineering education. Although the total articles perceived in this review are 222, the total research design analysed is 204 because this paper could not discover the research design employed for 18 articles. However this paper has revealed the criteria of each research design that has been the reason as to indicate the type of research design employed. Table 4 illustrates the distribution of research design and the number of articles in engineering education.

Table 4: Research design in engineering education

No.	Research design	Articles
1.	Qualitative	85
2.	Quantitative	42
3.	Mixed method	34
4.	Design & development research (DDR)	17
5.	Review	15
6.	Others	11
<b>Total</b>		<b>204</b>

The bulk of the perceived articles employed qualitative research design since a sum of 42% add on to the total number of articles. Qualitative research design has been popular over the years among all the engineering disciplines. In fact despite the sophisticated and advanced software for analysing research findings, engineering fields have still emphasized qualitative research as compared to other research designs. Engineering education studies are keen not only in researching the perceptions of experts but also concentrate on how a process takes place in engineering educational research.

Parallel to that, this review also observed that quantitative research design has been the second most common research design employed in this review with a percentage of 21%. Apart from that, mixed method design which employs both the qualitative and quantitative paradigm has been widely used in the engineering field. This is because mixed method design is only lower than qualitative design with a 4% of percentage from the overall research design in engineering education. In fact despite the researchers in engineering field not having employed many articles solely on quantitative design, the appearance of some quantitative design in the mixed method approach has revealed the overall usage of this design. Apparently, quantitative research design is still well utilized in the engineering field despite the dominance of qualitative research design throughout the 12 years of perceived articles in this review.

Design and development research (DDR) approach has been given lesser emphasis as compared to other research designs since 17 articles have conducted this practice in their respective research. Unfortunately, after 2001, only one to three articles have focused on DDR design which indicates the concentration on this crucial research design has faded. Contrary to this, 7% of the perceived articles have employed review. It is perceived that 13 articles which involved review in engineering education have concentrated on all the four types of participants who come from graduate, undergraduate, high school students and adults. Meanwhile only two articles have reviewed using meta-analysis review in engineering education research. The rest of the designs were based on unpublished articles from conferences, seminars, workshops, programmes and project-based research which are also equally crucial to be involved in this paper to minimise the risk of publication bias.

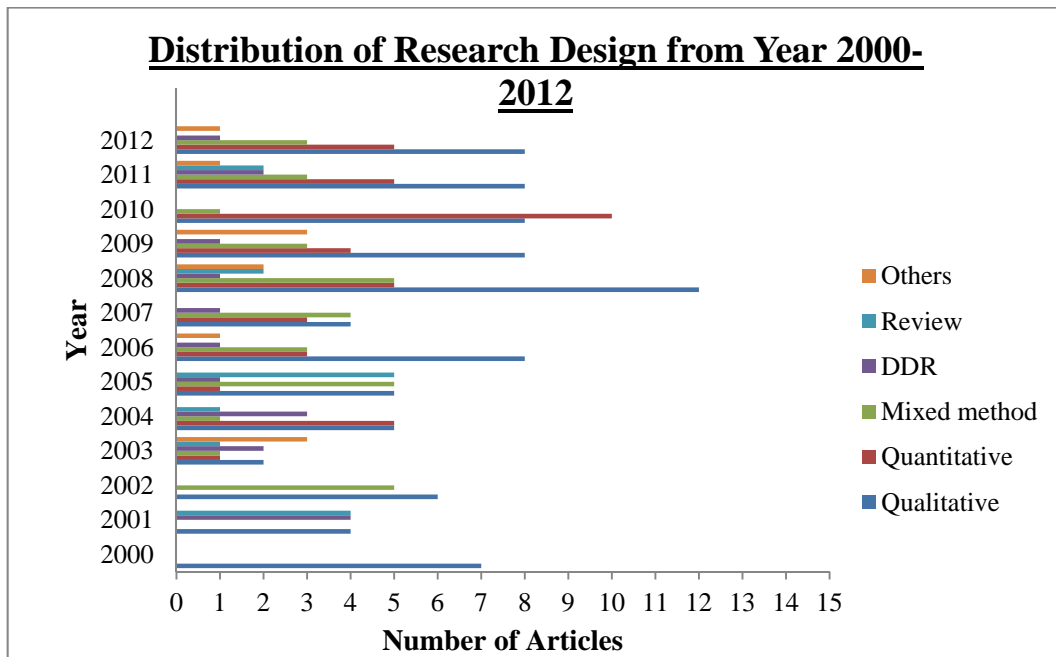


Figure 3: Distribution of research design

Figure 3 illustrates the trend of research design in engineering education over the past 12 years. Despite the popularity of qualitative research design among the researchers, as the years passed by, researchers began to employ quantitative, mixed method and DDR designs in their published articles. However the dominance of the qualitative paradigm has been detected over the period of 12 years because every year of publication had at least 2-4 minimum articles which employed qualitative design. Yet, it is also perceived that both quantitative and mixed method paradigms are also gaining attention although the number of articles using these designs is not as many as those using qualitative design. DDR design has been constantly published in engineering education research almost every year. Meanwhile, the numbers of articles which have employed both review and other research designs have fluctuated from time to time.

Since this paper has clearly perceived that qualitative approach has dominated in the methodology of studies, interview, observation, questionnaires and document analysis were among the qualitative research instruments that have been widely employed. Interviews have been held through online discussions, telephone conversations, face to face and focus groups. Meanwhile observations were carried out at site visits, classrooms and fields. Apart from that, questionnaires were associated with research terms such as comprehensive, exploratory and in-depth. Surveys were also widely held especially when the research involved a huge database of samples. Hence, survey via email was commonly carried out in these researches. Besides interpretation of novel ideas, analyses of both oral and written reports are also perceived in the engineering education articles.

Correspondingly, quantitative research design has also involved various research terms in this review. Since authors have employed experimental design, pre-posttest, control group, treatment group (experimental group), factorial design (2x2 and 3x2), post-hoc test and Structural Equation Modelling (SEM) has been the fundamental terms that have emerged during the review analysis. In fact, some JEE researchers have also utilized longitudinal, ethnographic, phenomenography and case study in their respective research fields. The trend of engineering education studies in JEE expose that researchers have made known their versatility and maturity in employing research approaches to produce their scholarly articles.

With respect to the methodological quality of research, this review has found that validity in most qualitative studies has been measured using a) triangulation, b) peer evaluations to reduce researcher bias, c) reference resources, comprising documents and audio tapes that allow analyses and d) confirmation of researchers' interpretations against the studied subjects. In contrast, validity in quantitative studies has been analysed using analysis of variance (ANOVA), multivariate analysis of variance (MANOVA) and *t*-test to produce inferential statistics. It is inevitable that reliability and validity are bound together in complex ways. Although there are studies using test re-test to measure reliability, most of the articles employed either quantitative or mixed method research design and used both coefficient alpha ( $\alpha$ -Cronbach) and Kuder-Richardson to measure the reliability for their respective engineering education research instruments.

## DISCUSSION

Providing a foundation for the future of engineering learning is crucial because in recent years, there has been a concern about the need to develop a better understanding of how people learn engineering (Johri & Olds, 2011). This paper has identified that teaching and learning has been an important research issue throughout the 12 years of review.

Engineering education has emphasized the necessity of teaching and learning in groups. No one can be sure which teaching approach will be most successful with a particular group of students. Hence, cooperative, team-work and collaborative learning has been stressed by the researchers in the engineering field. Apart from that, problem solving and hands-on approach has also been highlighted in the engineering arena. Students do not learn by listening to lecturers but by actively engaging in the practice and processes associated with the lesson (Capobianco, 2011). While incorporating engineering approach into the lessons, Lee (2012) added that students not only worked cooperatively to develop problem solving and decision making skills but, at the same time, students can manage to think in a critical and creative manner to demonstrate a true understanding of concepts during the lessons. Parallel with that, hands-on activities increase the students' engagement and improve students' confidence in their ability to learn in engineering studies (Canfield, Ghafoor, & Abdelrahman, 2012).

Interdisciplinary fields have also gained much attention from the researchers pertaining to engineering education. It is inevitable that the advanced interception between science and engineering are perceived through robotic and nuclear energy where both scientific and engineering aspects are tightly interwoven. Johri and Olds (2011) suggested ways in which the learning of science and engineering education research communities might work to their mutual benefit. Johri and Olds (2011) concluded that there are many areas of mutual benefit for engineering education and the learning of science. It is certain that more inter-disciplinary research should be carried out, especially between science and engineering. However, this inter-disciplinary field should not be perceived only at higher level of education. This interception should also be concentrating at a younger stage of education to increase the interest and motivation among students in pursuing both science and engineering related careers.

In contrast, this paper has revealed that engineering field has been perceived only for matured thinking participants, mainly undergraduates and graduates. This perception is not true and more research has to be carried out to expose the importance of engineering besides revealing the mind of an engineer among elementary and secondary students as well. Apart from students, even the school teachers are not highlighted in engineering-based education. Teachers should be provided the opportunity in engineering field because teachers can gain new knowledge about teaching subjects such as science through the introduction of engineering apart from simultaneously becoming more effective science teachers (Capobianco, 2011). Moreover, teachers can work with reasonable guesses about student understanding in science-related concepts and the engineering design process (Capabianco, 2011).

In line with that, Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education is a topic of national discussion in countries which highlight education where many teachers have been expressing the need to include engineering concepts or designing activities at the elementary level (Bowman, 2012). During the past decade, there has been a surge of interest in design activities as a means to promote science learning (Beneson, 2001; Fortus et al. 2004; Harel, 1991; Kafai, 1994; Kolodner, 2002; Lehrer & Romberge, 1996; Lewis, 2006; NAE, 2008; Puntambekar & Kolodner, 2005; Roth et al., 2001). Apart from that, the intimidating world of engineering must be presented in a fun and meaningful way such that teachers returned to the classrooms and implemented the concepts with their science students (Evans, 2006). This is also one of the examples of interaction between science and engineering. Likewise, practitioners such as teachers and lecturers should enhance understanding of the nature of engineering education so that it does not become lost in any integration process.

This review also exposed that most of the researchers have employed qualitative research design as compared to other research designs. This scenario gives an outlook about the authors who often avoid getting locked into a rigid design that eliminates responsiveness but instead prefer to pursue new paths of discovery as the qualitative data emerge (Fraenkel, Wallen, & Hyun, 2012). While being open in adapting inquiry to deepen understanding, these researchers should also use the merged knowledge to DDR paradigms. DDR covers a wide spectrum of activities and interest apart from having implications on teaching and learning research (Richey & Klein, 2010). In fact understanding the theories involved in DDR provides extra knowledge in helping the researchers to improve the quality of teaching and learning for both students and teachers pertaining to engineering field (Reigeluth & Carr-Chellman, 2009).

This could also lead to new methods and ideas to avoid the shrinking engineering force that is evident in both developed and developing nations across the globe. Apart from the declining engineering force, the misconceptions and the loopholes that exist in certain engineering programmes could also be overcome by employing new solutions. However there is no disrespect for the contribution that the previous and present researchers have made in engineering over a period of 12 years, for all type of research issues and participants.

## CONCLUSION

Through a mixture of both past and recent articles to demonstrate the progress of engineering education, this paper has acknowledged the main concern and endorsements for the forthcoming research and development in Malaysian engineering education. With lesser emphasis provided on quantitative paradigm especially on effect sizes,

this paper has still succeeded to outline the approaches taken by researchers from various countries to overcome the worrying state of engineering force among their science students. STEM education is the latest measure emphasised in order to instil interest for engineering field by nurturing science from a young age. Though this paper has only focused on JEE using ProQuest database, this study has also revealed the emergence of moving forward through a reflection of inter-disciplinary fields in engineering education. In fact the renaissance of engineering education offer Malaysian researchers mainly youngsters an opportunity to continue defining and embracing more fashionable mechanisms for the future Malaysian engineering education. We must keep in mind, however, that the objective of producing engineers should also highlight quality in terms of creativity and thinking skills apart from the number of engineers required to achieve Malaysia's Vision 2020 target.

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**Appendix**

Identification				Methodological Characteristics		
No.	Author(s)	Year	Issue(s)	Sample	Level	Type
1.	Randolph, G. B	April 2000	Learning style (collaborative)	Not stated	Not stated	Not stated
2.	Croissant, J. L; Ogden, K; Ogden, G	April 2000	Learning style (teamwork)	Not stated	Middle school students	Qualitative
3.	Friel, T	July 2000	Learning style (conceptual)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Not stated
4.	Symams, M. D	July 2000	Motivation	180	Middle school students	Qualitative
5.	Haller, C. R; Gallagher, V. J; Weldon, T. L; Felder, R. M	July 2000	Learning style (cooperative)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
6.	Horner, H. P; Royrvik, H. O	July 2000	Gender	17 colleges	Undergraduate	Qualitative
7.	Rutz, E	July 2000	Learning style (distance learning)	150	Adults	Qualitative
8.	Fascetti, W.S; Leventman, P.G	July 2000	Gender	250	Undergraduate	Qualitative
9.	Gallaher, J; Pearson, F	July 2000	Gender	100	Undergraduate	Qualitative
10.	Boehm, R. F; Gallavan, N. P	Oct 2000	Learning style (cooperative)	16	Undergraduate	Not stated
11.	Mehdi, M. R; Rizvi, S. A. I	April 2001	Academic trend	24 varsities	Graduate	Review (1982-1986)
12.	Candra, C; Kumar, S	April 2001	Teaching method (web-based)	Not stated	Not stated	DDR
13.	Goulet, J	April 2001	Learning style (goal-oriented)	55	Undergraduate	DDR
14.	Hyde, R. A; Karney, B. W	April 2001	Learning style (affective learning)	Not stated	Middle school students	Review
15.	Haws, D. R	April 2001	Ethical values	42 papers	High school students & undergraduate	Meta-analysis (1996-1999)
16.	Sanad, H. A; Koushki, P. A	April 2001	Gender	Not stated	Undergraduate & graduate	Qualitative
17.	Mirmiran, A	April 2001	Interest & teaching method	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
18.	Garris, C. A	April 2001	Teaching method	Not stated	Adults	Not stated
19.	Rashid, S	April 2001	Inter-disciplinary (economics & engineering)	Not stated	Adults	Not stated
20.	Farr, J. V; Lee, A. M; Metro, R. A; Sutton, J. P	April 2001	Developing skills (non-technical)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Review (case studies)
21.	Kulonda, D. J	July 2001	Teaching method	Not stated	Undergraduate	DDR
22.	Pimmel, R	July 2001	Learning style (cooperative)	Not stated	Undergraduate & faculty members	DDR
23.	Crown, S. W	July 2001	Teaching method (web-based)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
24.	Morell, L; Buxeda, R; Orengo, M; Sanchez, A	July 2001	Learning style (cooperative) & STEM education	Not stated	Undergraduate & faculty members	Qualitative
25.	Landry, J. P; Pardue, J. H; Doran, M. V; Daigle, R. J	Jan 2002	Attitude & motivation	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
26.	Nair, I; Jones, S; White, J	Jan 2002	Teaching method	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
27.	Baker, S; Tancred, P; Whitesides, S	Jan 2002	Gender	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
28.	Chesler, N. C; Chesler, M. A	Jan 2002	Gender	Not stated	Adults & graduate	Qualitative
29.	Lackey, L. W; Lackey, J. W	Jan 2002	Developing skills (cognitive)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
30.	Wankat, P. C	Jan 2002	Teaching method	150	Undergraduate & graduate	Qualitative
31.	Kuon, T. S;	Jan	Inter-disciplinary (science &	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method



	Rice, M. P	2002	engineering)				
32.	Campbell, J. O; Bourne, J. R; Mosterman, P. J; Brodersen, A. J	Jan 2002	Teaching method (simulations)	120	Undergraduate	Mixed method	
33.	Felder, R. M; Felder, G. N; Dietz, E. J	Jan 2002	Attitude	116	Undergraduate	Qualitative	
34.	Rojas, E. M	Jan 2002	Teaching method (web-based)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative	
35.	Marks, B. P	Jan 2002	Developing skills (cognitive)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method	
36.	Raez, P. C; Groff, B. H	Jan 2003	Inter-disciplinary (technology, engineering & computer science)	Not stated	Undergraduate	DDR	
37.	Dym, C.L; Wesner, J. W; Winner, L	Jan 2003	Ethical values	57	Adults	Forum	
38.	Laeser, M; Moskal, B. M; Krecht, R; Lasich, D	Jan 2003	Gender	Not stated	Adults	Project-based	
39.	Lackey, L. W; Lackey, J. W; Grady, H. M; Davis, M. T	Jan 2003	Teaching method	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative	
40.	Felder, R. M; Brent, R	Jan 2003	ABET	Not stated	Adults	DDR	
41.	Alexander, D. G; Smelser, R. E	Jan 2003	Teaching method	Not stated	Adults	Qualitative	
42.	May, G. S; Chubin, D. E	Jan 2003	STEM education	Not stated	Undergraduate	Review (literatures)	
43.	Delyser, R. R; Thompson, S. S; Edelstein, J; Lengsfeld, C; Rosa, A. J; Rullkoetter, P; Whitman, R; Whitt, M	July 2003	Learning style (student centred)	Not stated	Faculty members	Project-based	
44.	Chelsner, N. C; Single, P. B; Mikic, B	July 2003	Gender	Not stated	Faculty members	Qualitative	
45.	Doolen, T. L; Porter, J. D; Hoag, J	July 2003	Attitude	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method	
46.	Hersam, M. C; Luna, M; Light, G	Jan 2004	Inter-disciplinary (nanotechnology)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative	
47.	Ellis, T	Jan 2004	Developing skills (cognitive)	Not stated	Adults	Quantitative	
48.	McKenna, A. F; Agogino, A. M	April 2004	Developing skills (reasoning)	Not stated	Middle & high school students	Quantitative	
49.	Ressler, S. J; Ressler, E. K	April 2004	Interest (internet based)	30,000	Middle & high school students	Qualitative	
50.	Dearholt, D. W; Alt, K. J; Halpin, R. F; Oliver, R. L	April 2004	Teaching method (web-based)	Not stated	Not stated	DDR	
51.	Johnson, M. J; Sheppard, S. D	April 2004	Gender	Not stated	Undergraduate & faculty members	Not stated	
52.	Bjorklund, S. A; Parente, J. M; Sathianathan, D	April 2004	Attitude	1,500	Undergraduate	Qualitative	
53.	Sheng, J. H; Hsieh, P. Y	April 2004	Teaching method (web-based)	128	Undergraduate	DDR	
54.	Wiesner, T.F; Lan, W	July 2004	ABET	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative	
55.	Pandy, M. G; Petrosino, A. J; Austin, B. A; Barr, R. E	July 2004	Teaching method (module)	Not stated	Undergraduate	DDR	
56.	Pappas, E. C; Kampe, S. L; Hendricks, R. W; Kander, R. G	July 2004	Developing skills (critical thinking)	Not stated	Undergraduate & faculty members	Qualitative	
57.	Felder, R. M; Brent, R	Oct 2004	Developing skills (intellectual)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Review	
58.	Giesey, J. J; Chen, Y; Hoshower, L. B	Oct 2004	Motivation	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative	
59.	Zhang, G; Anderson, T. J; Ohland, M. W; Thorndyke, B. R	Oct 2004	Demographic & academic characteristics	87,167	Undergraduate	Quantitative	
60.	Diefes, D. A. H; Samant, C; Johnson, T. E; O'Connor, D	Oct 2004	Teaching method (module)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method	
61.	Blair, B. F; Millea, M; Hammer, J	Oct 2004	Learning style (cooperative)	Not stated	Not stated	Quantitative	
62.	Shuman, L. J; Besterfield, S. M; McGourty, J	Jan 2005	ABET	Not stated	Not stated	Review	
63.	Felder, R. M; Brent, R	Jan 2005	Motivation & attitude	Not stated	Not stated	Review	
64.	Smith, K. A; Sheppard, S. D;	Jan	Teaching method	Not stated	Undergraduate	Review	

	Johnson, D. W; Johnson, R. T	2005	(pedagogical)			
65.	Dym, C. L; Agogino, A. M; Eris, O; Frey, D. D; Leiter, L. J	Jan 2005	Developing skills (designing)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Review (12 years)
66.	Feisel, L. D; Rosa, A. J	Jan 2005	Teaching method (laboratory)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Review
67.	Prados, J. W; Peterson, G. D; Lattuca, L. R	Jan 2005	ABET	Not stated	Graduates	Not stated
68.	Litzinger, T. A; Wise, J. C; Sang, H. L	April 2005	Learning style (self-directed)	18	Undergraduate	Mixed method
69.	Drake, M. J; Griffin, P. M; Kirkman, R; Swann, J. L	April 2005	Ethical values & developing skills (reasoning)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
70.	Sven, G. B; Kisenwether, E. C; Rzasas, S. E; Wise, J. C	April 2005	Developing skills (entrepreneurial)	Not stated	High school students & undergraduate	Mixed method
71.	Rutar, T; Mason, G	April 2005	Learning style (teamwork)	Each group (3-4)	Undergraduate	DDR
72.	Friesen, M; Taylor, K. L; Ron, M. G. B	July 2005	Teaching method (module)	Not stated	Undergraduate & faculty members	Qualitative
73.	Thompson, N. S; Alford, E. M; Liao, C; Johnson, R; Matthews, M	July 2005	Developing skills (cognitive)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
74.	Whitman, L. E; Malzahn, D. E; Chaparro, B. S; Russell, M; et al.	July 2005	Learning style (teamwork)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
75.	Burtner, J	July 2005	Attitude	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
76.	Shiavi, R; Brodersen, A. J	Oct 2005	Teaching method (computational)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
77.	McLoughlin, L. A	Oct 2005	Gender	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
78.	Donath, L; Spray, R; Thompson, N. S; Alford, E. M; et al.	Oct 2005	Learning style (inquiry-based)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
79.	French, B. F; Immekus, J. C; Oakes, W. C	Oct 2005	Gender	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
80.	Porter, A. L; Roessner, J. D; Oliver, S; Johnson, D	Jan 2006	STEM education	Not stated	Undergraduate	Not stated
81.	Tonso, K. L	Jan 2006	Learning style (teamwork)	Large scale	Adults	Mixed method
82.	Hutchison, M. A; Follman, D. K; Sumpster, M; Bodner, G. M	Jan 2006	Gender, interest & achievement	1387	Undergraduate	Qualitative
83.	Hartman, H; Hartman, M	Jan 2006	Gender	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
84.	Stren, F; Xing, T; Yarbrough D. B; Rothmayer, A; et al.	Jan 2006	Teaching method (hands-on)	Not stated	Undergraduate & graduate	DDR
85.	Prince, M. J; Felder, R. M	April 2006	Teaching method (inductive)	Not stated	Not stated	Qualitative
86.	Jonassen, D; Strobel, J; Lee, C. B	April 2006	Teaching method (problem solving)	Not stated	Adults	Qualitative
87.	Dabbagh, N; Daniel, A. M	April 2006	Teaching method (pedagogical)	20	Undergraduate	Qualitative
88.	Carpenter, D. D; Harding, T. S; Firelli, C. J; Montgomery, S. M; Passow, H. J	July 2006	Attitude	643	Undergraduate	Mixed method
89.	Senay, Y; Baker, D; Robinson, K. S; Krause, S; Roberts, C	July 2006	Inter-disciplinary (design, engineering & technology)	Not stated	Middle school teachers	Mixed method
90.	Reisslein, J; Reisslein, M; Seeling, P	July 2006	Teaching method (problem solving)	Not stated	High school students	Quantitative
91.	Jarosz, J. P; Busch, V. I. J	July 2006	ABET	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
92.	Fincher, S; Tenenberg, J	Oct 2006	Teaching method (using theory)	Not stated	Adults	Quantitative
93.	Cantrell, P; Pekcan, G; Itaini, A; Velasquez, B. N	Oct 2006	Teaching method (module)	Not stated	Undergraduate & middle school students	Project-based
94.	Roselli, R. J;	Oct	Assessment	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative

	Brophy, S. P	2006				
95.	Rover, D. T	Oct 2006	Inter-disciplinary (mathematics, science & engineering)	Not stated	Middle school students	Qualitative
96.	Anonymous	Oct 2006	Interest	Not stated	Adults	Not stated
97.	Anonymous	Oct 2006	ABET	Not stated	Adults	Qualitative
98.	Nicholas, G. M; Wolfe, H; Besterfield, S. M; Shuman, L. J; Siripen, L	Jan 2007	STEM education	12,000	Undergraduate	Mixed method
99.	Reisslein, J; Sullivan, H; Reisslein, M	Jan 2007	Attitude	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
100.	Bauer, E. H; Moskal, B; Gosink, J; Lucena, J; David. M	April 2007	Attitude	112	Undergraduate & faculty members	Quantitative
101.	Steif, P. S; Hansen, M. A	July 2007	Administering (web-based)	Not stated	Adults	Quantitative
102.	Baker, D; Krause, S; Yasar, S; Roberts, C; Robinson, K. S	July 2007	Gender	9	Graduate	Qualitative
103.	Murphy, T. J; Shehab, R. L; Reed, R. T; Foor, C. E; Harris, B. J; et al.	July 2007	Gender	185	Undergraduate	Qualitative
104.	Moskal, B. M; Skokan, C; Kosbar, L; Dean, A; Westland, C; et al.	July 2007	Teaching method (hands-on)	11 districts	Middle school teachers	Mixed method
105.	Trevelyan, J	July 2007	Developing skills (coordination)	Not stated	Adults	Qualitative
106.	Atman, C. J; Adams, R. S; Cardella, M. E; Truns, J; Mosborg, S; et al.	Oct 2007	Attitude	69	Adults	DDR
107.	Kilgore, D; Atman, C. J; Yasuhara, K; Barker, T. J; Morozov, A	Oct 2007	Gender	160	Undergraduate	Mixed method
108.	Taraban, R; DeFinis, A; Brown, A. G; Anderson, E. E; Sharma, M. P	Oct 2007	Developing skills (cognitive)	19	Undergraduate	Qualitative
109.	Besterfield, S. M; Shuman, L. J; Wolfe, H; Clark, R. M; Yildirim, P	Oct 2007	Learning style (teamwork)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
110.	Gereffi, G; Wadhwa, V; Rissing, B; Ong, R	Jan 2008	Developing skills (entrepreneurial)	Not stated	Graduates	Not stated
111.	Vogt, C. M	Jan 2008	Developing skills (critical thinking)	4 varsities	Undergraduate	Quantitative
112.	Qualters, D. M; Sheahan, T. C; Mason, E. J; Navick, D. S; Dixon, M	Jan 2008	Inter-disciplinary (chemistry, mathematics, physics & computer Science)	191	Undergraduate	Quantitative
113.	Li, Q; McCoach, D. B; Swaminathan, H; Tang, J	Jan 2008	Attitude	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
114.	Mendez, G; Buskirk, T. D; Lohr, S; Haag, S	Jan 2008	Attitude	Not stated	High school students	Quantitative
115.	Mehalik, M. M; Doppelt, Y; Schuun, C. D	Jan 2008	Learning style (design-based)	1053 (30 classes)	Middle school students & teachers	Not stated
116.	Allen, K; Reed, R. T; Terry, R. A; Murphy, T. J; Stone, A. D	Jan 2008	Reliability (coefficient Alpha)	Not stated	Adults	Mixed method
117.	Grimberg, S. J; Langden, T. A; Compeau, L. D; Powers, S. E	Jan 2008	Attitude	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
118.	Borrego, M; Newswander, L. K	April 2008	Inter-disciplinary	Not stated	Adults	Qualitative
119.	Leung, M. Y; Lu, X; Chen, D; Lu, M	April 2008	Learning style & teaching method	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
120.	Borrego, M; Streveler, R. A; Miller, R. L; Smith, K. A	April 2008	Learning style (active learning)	Not stated	Adults	Workshops
121.	Koro, L. M; Douglas, E. P	April 2008	Ethical values	Not stated	Not stated	Meta-analysis (2005-2006)
122.	Hutchison, G; Mica, A; Follman, D. K; Bodner, G. M	April 2008	Attitude	12	Undergraduate	Qualitative

123.	Walden, S. E; Foor, C	April 2008	STEM education	Large database	Undergraduate	Qualitative
124.	Schuurman, M. K; Pangborn, R. N; McClintic, R. D	April 2008	Gender	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
125.	Linsenmeier, R. A; Kanter, O. E; Smith, H. D; Linsenmeier, K. A;McKenna, A. F	April 2008	Teaching method (laboratory)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
126.	Rover, D. T	April 2008	Learning style	Not stated	Adults	Review
127.	Streveler, R. A; Litzinger, T. A; Miller, R. L; Steif, P. S	July 2008	Learning style (conceptual)	Not stated	Not stated	Not stated
128.	Malcom, S. M	July 2008	Gender	Not stated	Adults	Qualitative
129.	Adams, R. S; Felder, R. M	July 2008	Motivation	Not stated	Adults	Not stated
130.	Fouger, X; Almgren, R; Gopalakrishnan, K; Maikot, P	July 2008	Inter-disciplinary	Not stated	Adults	Program
131.	Chubin, D; Donaldson, K; Olds, B; Fleming, L	July 2008	Motivation	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
132.	Ohland, M. W; Sheppard, S. D; Lichtenstein, G; Eris, O; Chachra, D; et al.	July 2008	Gender	Large database	Undergraduate & graduate	Qualitative
133.	Streveler, R. A; Litzinger, T. A; Miller, R. L; Steif, P. S	July 2008	Learning style (conceptual)	Not stated	Not stated	Not stated
134.	Redish, E. F; Smith, K. A	July 2008	Developing skills (cognitive)	Not stated	Undergraduate	DDR
135.	Atman, C. J; Kilgore, D; McKenna, A	July 2008	Learning style (design-based)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
136.	Colby,A; Sullivan, W. M	July 2008	Ethical values	7 varsities	Undergraduate	Qualitative
137.	Cox, M. F; Cordray, D. S	Oct 2008	Inter-disciplinary (biology & engineering)	28	Undergraduate	Qualitative
138.	Lucena, J; Downey, G; Jesiek, B; Elber, S	Oct 2008	Transformation of engineering education	Not stated	Adults	Not stated
139.	Trenor, J. M; Yu, S. L; Waight, C. L; Zerda, K. S; Sha, T. L	Oct 2008	Gender	Diverse sample	Undergraduate	Mixed method
140.	Veenstra, C. P; Dey, E. L; Herrin, G. D	Oct 2008	STEM education	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
141.	Martin, D. N; Saorin, J. L; Contero, M	Oct 2008	Developing skills (spatial abilities)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
142.	Natarajan, R	Oct 2008	Attitude	Not stated	Not stated	Qualitative
143.	Wolfe, J; Powell, E	Jan 2009	Gender	6	Undergraduate	Qualitative
144.	McKenna, A. F;Yalvac, B; Light, G. L	Jan 2009	Learning style (collaborative)	Not stated	Faculty members	Not stated
145.	Marra, R. M; Rodgers, K. A; Shen, D; Bogue, B	Jan 2009	Gender & attitude	5 institutes	Undergraduate	Qualitative
146.	Jesiek, B. K; Newswander, L. K; Borrego, M	Jan 2009	Attitude	Not stated	Adults	Qualitative
147.	Borrego, M; Douglas, E. P; Amelink, C. T	Jan 2009	Inter-disciplinary (social science & engineering)	Not stated	Adults	Conference
148.	Vanasura, L; Stolk, J; Herter, R. J	Jan 2009	Learning style	Not stated	Adults	DDR
149.	Moreno, R; Reisslein, M; Ozogul, G	Jan 2009	Teaching method (problem solving)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
150.	Brown, S; Flick, L; Fiez, T	Jan 2009	Teaching method (laboratory)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
151.	Ingram, S; Brunning, S; Mikawoz, I	April 2009	Gender & attitude	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
152.	Charyton, C; Merrill, J. A	April 2009	Innovation	84	Undergraduate	Quantitative
153.	Onyancha, R. M; Derov, M; Kinsey, B. L	April 2009	Developing skills (spatial abilities)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
154.	Genheimer, S. R; Shehab, R.	April	ABET	90	Adults	Qualitative

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155.	Nembhard, D; Yip, K; Shtub, A	April 2009	Learning style (cooperative)	Not stated	Adults	Project-based
156.	Lin, C. C; Tsai, C. C	April 2009	Teaching method (laboratory)	321	Undergraduate	Mixed method
157.	Lichtenstein, G; Loshbaugh, H. G; Claar, B; Chen, H. L; Jackson, K; et al.	July 2009	Attitude	2 institutes	Undergraduate	Mixed method
158	Jonassen, D. H; Shen, D; Marra, R. M; Cho, Y. H; Lo, J. L; et al.	July 2009	Ethical values	Not stated	Undergraduate & graduate	Quantitative
159.	Leydens, J. A; Schneider, J	July 2009	Innovation	6 institutes	Undergraduate	Qualitative
160.	Zaftt, C. R; Adams, S. G; Matkin, G. S	July 2009	Attitude	81	Undergraduate	Qualitative
161.	Abdulwahed, M; Nagy, Z. K	July 2009	Teaching method (laboratory)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
162.	Cantrell, P; Ewing, T. J	July 2009	STEM education	130	High school students	Seminars
163.	Godfrey, E; Parker, L	Jan 2010	Transformation of engineering education	1 institute	Faculty members	Qualitative
164.	Mackey, K. R. M; Freyberg, D. L	Jan 2010	Developing skills (cognitive)	Not stated	Graduate	Qualitative
165.	Rosenberg, K; Rinat, B; Plant, E.A; Doerr, C.E; Baylor, A. L	Jan 2010	Gender & attitude	119	Undergraduate	Quantitative
166.	Hsuing, C. M	Jan 2010	Learning style (cooperative)	42	Undergraduate	Quantitative
167.	Yadaz, A; Shaver, G. M; Meckl, P	Jan 2010	Developing skills (critical thinking)	73	Undergraduate	Quantitative
168.	Carberry, A. R; Lee, H. S; Ohland, M. W	Jan 2010	Attitude	202	Adults	Quantitative
169.	Jesiek, B. K; Borrego, M; Beddoes, K	April 2010	Transformation of engineering education	300 (6 continents)	Adults	Qualitative
170.	Felder, R. M; Brent, R	April 2010	Motivation	Not stated	Faculty members	Qualitative
171.	Steif, P. S; Lobue, J. M; Kara, L. B; Fay, A. L	April 2010	Teaching method (problem solving)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
172.	Tran, N. A; Nathan, M. J	April 2010	Developing skills (reasoning)	140	High school students	Quantitative
173.	Chen, J. C; Whittinghill, D. C; Kadlowec, J. A	April 2010	Learning style (conceptual)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
174.	Meyers, K. L; Silliman, S. E; Gedde, N. L; Ohland, M. W	April 2010	Motivation	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
175.	Borrego, M; Froyd, J. E; Hall, T. S	July 2010	Attitude & innovation	197	Adults	Quantitative
176.	Nichollas, G. M; Wolfe, H; Besterfield, S. M; Shuman, L. J	July 2010	STEM education	Not stated	Middle school students	Quantitative
177.	Reisslein, M; Moreno, R; Ozogul, G	July 2010	Learning style (contextual)	Not stated	High school students	Quantitative
178.	Koh, C; Tan, H. S; Tan, K. C; Fang, L; Fong, F. M, et al.	July 2010	Motivation	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
179.	Heller, R. S; Beil, C; Dam, K; Haerum, B	July 2010	Learning style (active learning)	Not stated	Undergraduate & faculty members	Qualitative
180.	Roger, S. W; Goktas, R. K	July 2010	Motivation	Not stated	Graduate	Qualitative
181.	Matusovich, H. M; Streveler, R. A; Miller, R. L	Oct 2010	Motivation	11	Undergraduate	Qualitative
182.	Baile, C; Ko, E; Newsletter, W; Radcliffe, D. F	Jan 2011	Inter-disciplinary (research & scholarship)	Not stated	Adults	Not stated
183.	Borrego, M; Bernhard, J	Jan 2011	Learning style (inquiry-based)	Not stated	Adults	Quantitative
184.	Adams, R; Evangelou, D; English, L; De, F; Antonio, D; Mousoulides, N; et al	Jan 2011	Inter-disciplinary (pathways for innovations)	Not stated	Adults	Qualitative
185.	Felder, R. M; Brent, R; Prince, M. J	Jan 2011	Transformation of engineering education	Not stated	Adults	DDR
186.	Litzinger, T. A; Lattuca, L. R; Hadgraft, R. G; Newsletter, W. C	Jan 2011	Motivation	Not stated	Adults	DDR

187.	Johri, A; Olds, B. M	Jan 2011	Learning style	Not stated	Adults	Qualitative
188.	Case, J. M; Light, G	Jan 2011	Attitude	7	Not stated	Review
189.	Anonymous	April 2011	Transformation of engineering education	Not stated	Not stated	Not stated
190.	Ohland, M. W; Brawner, C. E; Camacho, M. M; Layton, R. A	April 2011	Gender	75,000 9 varsities	Adults	Qualitative
191.	Beddoes, K; Borrego, M	April 2011	Gender	88 articles	Adults	Review (1995-2008)
192.	Capobianco, B. M; Diefes, D. H. A; Mena, I; Weller, J	April 2011	Attitude & interest	400	Middle school students	Mixed method
193.	Dunsmore, K; Turns, J; Vellin, J. M	April 2011	Learning style (collaborative)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
194.	Min, Y; Zhang, G; Long, R. A; Anderson, T. J; Ohland, M. W	April 2011	Gender	100,179 9 varsities	Undergraduate	Qualitative
195.	McNair, L. D; Newswander, C; Boden, D; Borrego, M	April 2011	Inter-disciplinary	Not stated	Undergraduate & faculty members	Qualitative
196.	Taraban, R	April 2011	Developing skills (analytical)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
197.	Stephens, R; Richey, M	July 2011	STEM education	Large database	Middle & high school students	Qualitative
198.	Leppavirta, J	July 2011	Attitude	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
199.	Lathern, S. A; Neumann, M. D; Hayden, N	July 2011	Attitude	125	Undergraduate	Mixed method
200.	Stump, G. S; Hilpert, J. C; Husman, J; Chung, W. T; Kim, W.	July 2011	Learning style (collaborative) & gender	663	Undergraduate	Quantitative
201.	Taraban, R; Craig, C; Anderson, E. E	July 2011	Teaching method (problem solving)	Not stated	Middle school teachers	Mixed method
202.	Duncan, D; Diefes, D. H; Gentry, M	July 2011	Transformation of engineering education	40	Undergraduate	Quantitative
203.	Hundhausen, C; Agarwal, P; Zollar, S. R; Carter, A	July 2011	Teaching method (problem solving)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
204.	Fantz, T. D; Siller, T. J; DeMiranda, M. A	July 2011	Attitude	Not stated	Undergraduate	Program
205.	Genco, N; Holtta, O. K; Seepersad, C. C	Jan 2012	Innovation	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
206.	Schaffer, S. P; Chen, X; Zhu, X; Oakes, W. C	Jan 2012	Inter-disciplinary	112 (34 teams)	Undergraduate	Mixed method
207.	Passow, H. J	Jan 2012	ABET	Large database	Undergraduate	Quantitative
208.	Hsuing, C. M	Jan 2012	Learning style (cooperative)	42	Undergraduate	Quantitative
209.	Engelbrecht, J; Bergsten, C; Kagesten, O	Jan 2012	Developing skills (computational)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
210.	Holsapple, M. A; Carpenters, D. D; Sutkus, J. A; Finelle, C. J; Harding, T. S	April 2012	Ethical values	18 campuses	Undergraduate & faculty members	Qualitative
211.	Daly, S. R; Adams, R. S; Bodner, G. M	April 2012	Developing skills (analytical)	Not stated	Adults	Qualitative
212.	Mogana, A. J; Brophy, S. P; Bodner, G. M	April 2012	Teaching method (computational)	14	Undergraduate & faculty members	Qualitative
213.	Lawton, D; Vye, N; Bransford, J; Sanders, E; Richey, M; et al.	April 2012	Learning style (online learning)	Not stated	Undergraduate	DDR
214.	Brawner, C. E; Camacho, M. M; Lord, S. M; Long, R. A; Ohland, M. W	April 2012	Gender	Large database	Undergraduate	Mixed method
215.	Litzler, E; Young, J	April 2012	Attitude	Not stated	Undergraduate	Qualitative
216.	Harding, T. S; Carpenters, D. D; Finelle, C. J	April 2012	Ethical value, developing skills (reasoning) & attitude	380	Undergraduate	Qualitative
217.	Diefes, D. H. A; Zawojewski, J. S; Hjalmarson, M. A; Cardella, M. E	April 2012	Assessment	Not stated	Adults	Quantitative

218.	Olds, B. M; Borrego, M; Besterfield, S. M; Cox, M	July 2012	Transformation of engineering education	Not stated	Adults	Conference
219.	Prince, M. J; Vigeant, M; Nottis, K	July 2012	Students' misconceptions	Not stated	Undergraduate	Quantitative
220.	Trytten, D .A; Lowe, A. W; Walden, S. E	July 2012	Developing skills (intelligence)	Not stated	Undergraduate	Mixed method
221.	Finelli, C. J; Holsapple, M. A; Ra, E; Bielby, B. A; et al	July 2012	Ethical value & developing skills (reasoning)	4,000 (18 institutes)	Undergraduate	Qualitative
222.	Woodcock, A; Graziano, W. G; Branch, S. E; Ngambeki, I; Evangelou, D	July 2012	STEM education	544	Undergraduate	Qualitative