



3-hour workshop

**Why** should I consider project-based learning in higher education?

**How** could I plan and run project-based learning for my students?

The workshop will cover:

- Design of the project
- •Implementation of the project
- Monitoring of the project

Successful examples of project-based learning from JU will be presented and analyzed

Date:

Time:

Venue:

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Student feedback- Research study at JU.





**Why** should I consider project-based learning in higher education?

It is a luxury add on to my practice.

Looks nice in the CV.



Everybody talks about PBL.







What is the role of the university?



Do our graduates meet the expectations of stakeholders in the workforce?



#### JU vision



A university **excelling in pedagogy**, research, and innovation and advancing in global standing





#### JU mission

Providing students with fulfilling learning experiences, conducting knowledge-producing research, and building firm societal ties, within an environment conducive to creativity, innovation, and entrepreneurship; making efficient use of resources and forging fruitful partnerships.





Higher education has always been challenged to provide a stimulating, real and learning friendly environment for students.

Teaching and learning methods in higher education usually focus on the acquisition of scientific knowledge and specialised technical skills, whereas **non-technical skills** such as communication skills are difficult to be taught within curriculum courses. (Lane, 2010)





Theories of experiential learning suggest that the most effective learning occurs when the learner is engaged in a real environment and participates in the real world (Prout, 2014).

Group community-based project is an experiential learning tool that provides the students with an opportunity to work as a team and learn in a real setting.



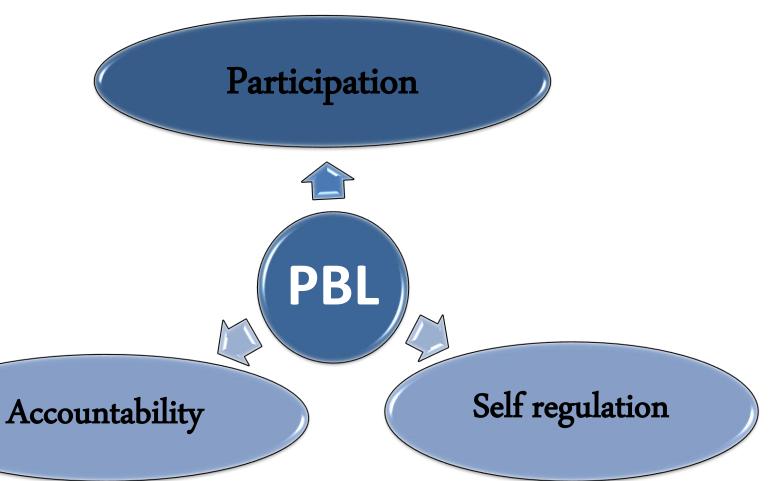


Recent recommendations emphasise the need to adopt assessment tools that extends beyond knowledge and mimic reality settings to promote learning of qualities that would ensure best practise in the future.

(Eva et al. 2015).









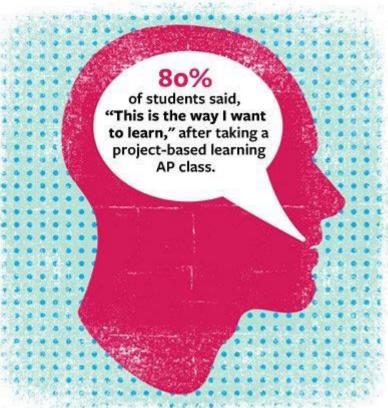
#### What the students think about PBL?



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 Research from Edutopia's Knowledge in Action study in collaboration with the University of Washington's College of Education





**How** could I plan and run project-based learning for my students?

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## Design of the project



- 1- Start from the of the program and course ILOs.
- 2- Select the ILOs that need to be accomplished in the project.
- 3- Decide the knowledge and set of skills (specialized and soft) that are expected to be applied in the project.
- 4- Decide the idea/title of the project.
- 5- Decide the final product of the project.
- 6- Write a clear and detailed description of what is expected to be achieved.
- 7- Provide details regarding EVERYTHING.
- 8- Set a realistic deadline.



#### Select the ILOs related to the project



**Program ILO: 6. Implement** clinical reasoning, reflection, **decision-making**, and **skilful application** of physiotherapy techniques to **deliver** optimum physiotherapy management.

#### Specific course ILOs

- **6.1 Evaluate** stretching exercise programs that are directed for mass market use.
- **6.2** Critique and analyze the latest evidence regarding the design and prescription of ROM, stretching exercise and peripheral mobilization.

**Program ILO: 7. Adhere to the professional standards of physiotherapy practice** in terms of assessment, management, outcome measurement, and documentation.

#### Specific course ILOs

- **7.1 Apply** different types of ROM exercises, Stretching exercises and Peripheral mobilisation in different starting position.
- **7.2 Practise** the different types of grading and progression for all the types of techniques learned in the module.



### Select the ILOs related to the project



**Program ILO: 8. Display a willingness to promote** healthy lifestyle and convey health messages to clients.

#### Specific course ILOs

- 8.1 **Design a flexibility physiotherapy program for healthy individuals** and patients with different conditions.
- 8.2 Develop the ability to motivate a group of people to engage in physical activity

Program ILO: 10. Display the ability to practice in a safe, effective, non-discriminatory, interand multi-disciplinary manner.

#### Specific course ILOs

10.1 Respect and consider the cultural differences and barriers toward the engagement in physical activity programs.



# The project should enable the students to demonstrate/ apply/ practice :



- 1- Self confidence and independence.
- 2- Creativity and innovation.
- 3- Effective communication.
- 4- Team dynamics.
- 5- Leadership.
- 6- Critical thinking
- 7- Collaboration.



# Final product/ outcome of the project How the students will submit their work?

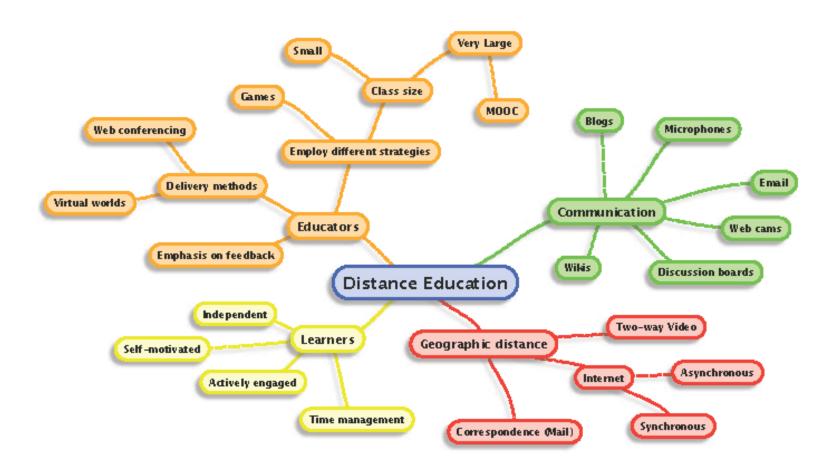


- Video
- Constructive model
- Art
- Fact sheet
- Brochure
- Poster
- Power point presentation
- Assignment (written account)



### Mind maps

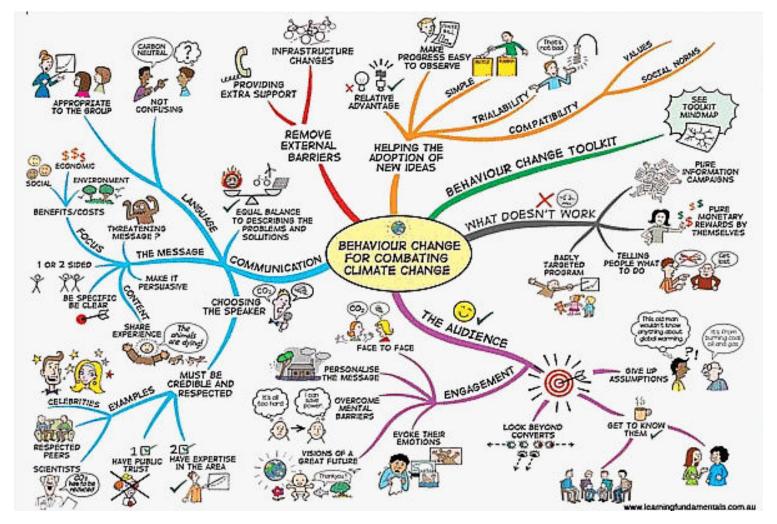






### Mind maps







### Setting a deadline



- Announce the submission date early in the semester (included in the syllabus).
- Set a Realistic deadline (allow enough time to work and avoids exam periods).
- Set a clear policy for submission. (extensions or late submissions).

#### • Example:

The deadline for project submission will be on the 3rd December, 2017. No extension will be allowed. Those who will be late in submission will have 2 marks deducted per each day of being late.



#### Description of the project



#### 22. Evaluation Methods and Course Requirements:

Coursework	60%	Due	Description
Project * +	20%	3/12/2017	Design and execute a stretching exercise program and videotape it for a group of healthy individuals.  The aim of the video is to be used by public as self administered stretching program.  You will need to submit the videotaped exercise on a DVD or a USB.  The duration of the program should be 20-25 minutes.  Please note that it is up to you how to gather different movement and new exercises so for this purpose you might visit a gym or watch some videos but at the end you need to come up with your own program and record the video either for yourselves or using a model.
Assignment *	10%	3/12/2017	You will need to submit a written account of maximum 1000 on the following topic: Flexibility exercises for back and abdominal muscles. You need to refer to at least 4 references (articles).

<sup>\*</sup> You will be evaluated according to the assessment criteria for the project and assignment. See attached forms below.

<sup>+</sup> You need to submit a record for the meetings held and the tasks performed by each member of the group. See below the project form/ record of tasks and meetings.





# Assessment criteria for the project

	Assessment criteria (20 marks)		Mark	Comments
	Ensure that the clarity of image, sound and			
	lightening of the video is appropriate			
	Identify the aim of the stretching program			
	Identify the target population			
Stretching Ex.	Select a set of balanced stretching exercises			
Program video	Ensure that appropriate determinants are			
	taken into consideration			
	Ensure safety measures	2		
	Include Warming up and cooling down			
	Ensure proper use of the environment			
		20		



## Rubric for each assessment criteria



#### Example:

#### Ensure safety measures (2 marks)

0	None of the safety measures are taken into consideration
1	Some of the safety measures are taken into consideration
2	All the possible safety measures are taken into consideration



### Assessment criteria for the assignment



	Assessment criteria (10 marks)		Mark	Comments
Written	Select at least 4 articles on the chosen topic	2		
	Write an introduction	2		
	Summarise the findings of the selected articles	2		
	Discuss the evidence	2		
	Conclusion and recommendation	2		
	Total mark (10)			



### How to present the project?



- Display the video during lecture/lab time
- Display the posters.
- Do presentations.

#### Allow time for discussions and questions

#### Ask for peer assessment.

Assessment criteria (20 marks)		Mark	Comments			
Ensure that the clarity of image, sound and lightening of the video is appropriate	4					
Identify the aim of the stretching program	2					
Identify the target population	2					
Select a set of balanced stretching exercises	4					
Ensure that appropriate determinants are taken into consideration	2					
Ensure safety measures	2					
Include Warming up and cooling down	2					
Ensure proper use of the environment	2					
GROUP:						





### Implementation of the project

- 1- Announce to the students the details of the project (upload the syllabus on e-learning- early in the semester).
- 2- Explain and discuss the tasks and requirements of the project (project induction).



#### Implementation of the project



- Provide a Project Submission check-list
- Example:

You need to make sure that you submit all the following:

- 1- A DVD or USB that contains a video of stretching exercise program that you have designed and executed.
- 2- A written account of max 1000 words, that includes a summary of four article about the effect of stretching exercise.
- 4- Soft Copies of the four selected articles.
- 5- A form that includes the members of the group and the tasks that they have accomplished



## Monitoring of the project



- 1- Respond to queries and provide feedback when requested.
- 2- Agree on ways of communication with the students (office hours/ email/ e-learning).



### Monitoring of the project



#### Provide tips and hints (you could post this on e-learning)

#### Example:

You need to adhere to the instructions provided, be creative within the instructions but don't change them otherwise you might loose marks. Proper understanding of the project is important, if you end up doing something great but does not fit with the instructions, marks will be deducted. Therefore, make sure that you understand the instructions and work accordingly. (see also the assessment criteria).



### Monitoring of the project



#### Provide details regarding the following:

- Written accounts: Font type, size, word count, line spacing, page numbering, referencing styles.
- Posters: Font type, size, word count, line spacing, page numbering, referencing style, poster size.
- Videos: duration, clarity of image and sound, saved on DVD or USB.

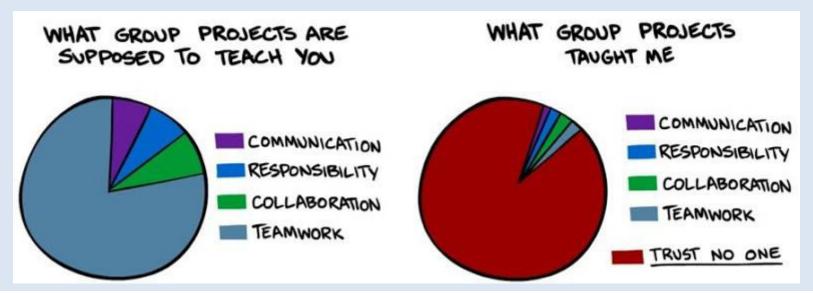


#### **Group** projects



- Why? Group vs. individual.
- Benefits vs. limitations?
- How? Formation and monitoring?







### **Group** projects





#### **Group Project**

(noun)

Time to relax while you watch someone who cares do all the work.

Talk to students about "Free riding" and how to report this.





#### Project Form / Record of tasks and meetings

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Dates of group meetings:

Venue of group meetings:

	Student name	No. of meetings attended	Assigned Tasks	Accomplished Tasks (yes/no)
1				
2				
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### Community-based projects



### Things to consider:

- Formal letters/ permissions.
- Way of assessment (submission of written account, video, attending live).
- List of suggested venues.





# Thank You ©



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