

Special Issue

Online Communities and E-learning

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue is seeking papers on Internet trolling and online participation in the context of the science, technology and engineering of educational systems. It will draw together ways of providing online learning, including through e-tivities, serious games, gamification, managed learning environments, MOOCs, and virtual worlds. It will also look at ways of managing online learning, including e-moderation, dealing with wellbeing issues like digital addiction and cyberbullying as well as the digital divide and accessibility. Topics covered and welcome for submission include the following:

- * Participation inequality; lurking, the free-rider problem;
- * Online harassment; flame trolling, cyberbullying, cyberstalking;
- * Transgressive humour, 'trolling for the lulz', viral humour, R.I.P trolling;
- * Online Community moderation, perspectives on 'don't feed the troll', blocking users (i.e., 'ban-hammering');
- * Online learning issues: retention, motivation;
- * Participation initiatives: Classroom 2.0, eParticipation.

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