Editor’s Notes

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Welcome to the premiere issue of the Journal of Applied Instructional Design. We appreciate your visiting our new journal.

This journal is the result of the work of a lot of people who put in endless effort to make it happen.

First of all, we want to recognize Gary Morrison for developing the proposal and acting as the advocate for its existence. We offer our deep appreciation to the Association for Educational Communications and Technology and its board and staff for sponsoring this publication. If you are not already a member of AECT, please follow this link and join a great organization dedicated to the advancement of Educational Technology.

It is also important to note that while my name may appear as editor, without the significant help of my fellow staff, Willie Savanye, Don Robison, Ben Erlandson, and Jason Huett, this journal would not have happened.

If you follow the link About you will also see a great group of collaborators serving on the Editorial Board and as reviewers. I do not know if it really takes a village to raise a child, but it does take a community to build a journal.

This journal is an open source journal freely available to the world and is not limited to AECT members. Once again I encourage you to join this fine group of scholars and practitioners who in turn will continue to give life to this journal.

The mission of the journal, that is elaborated elsewhere, is focused on the role and relationships of the scholar-practitioner who continually make contributions that improve the practice and knowledge base of ID.

As our graphic design represents the circle of knowledge, we often start with a knowledge base full of theories and research, some out of research studies and equally important out of the reflection of IDers who use the ID approach to improve learning. That knowledge gets transferred into the application of ID, which leads to reflection of how we can improve or refine our existing knowledge of the field.

To quote a Tao reading,

After completion
   Comes new beginnings.
   To gain strength, 
   Renew the root.

Although as the journal matures, we expect many new enhancements to the journal and additional articles. Sharing of ideas and hopefully our commitment will further increase the value of the journal and thus our mutual contribution to the growth of the ID discipline.

We have assembled some excellent articles in this issue to get us started. We are most interested in receiving new submissions or ideas, which can only help to increase the value of JAID to you. Feel free to contact me at Leslie.Moller@Waldenu.edu with your questions or ideas as well as potential submissions.

Once again, welcome and I wish you peace

Les

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