

# Editing Engineering Education Research Handbooks & Institutionalizing an Academic Field

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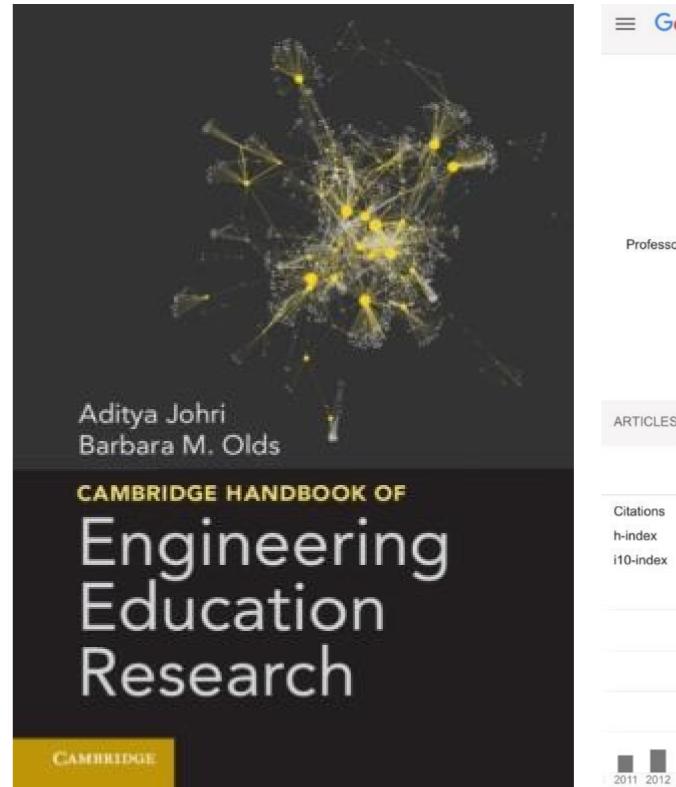
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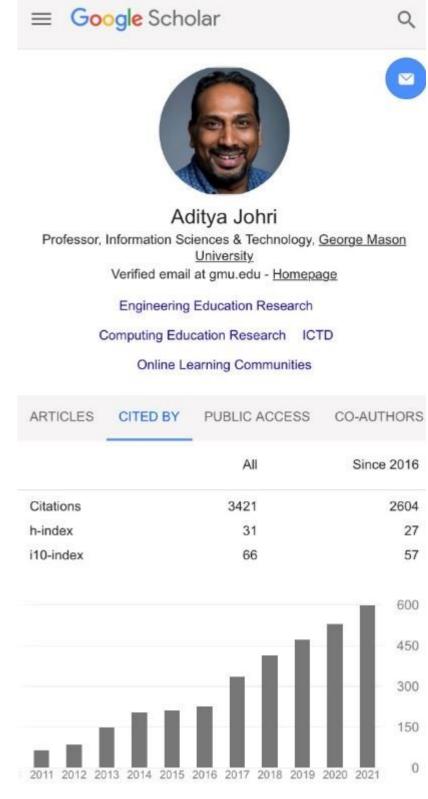
Education:

Ph.D., Stanford University, Learning Sciences & Technology Design

Undergrad: Mechanical Engineering

M.S. degrees: Mass Communication, Information Design, Creative Writing





## RESEARCH

Interdisciplinary research program; publish largely in engineering education; serve on editorial boards of *Advances in Engineering Education* & *Engineering Studies*. Other publications in educational technology and computing journals and proceedings. (ACM CHI, CSCW, ICTD; CSCL, ICLS).

## WHAT INFORMED MY INITIAL PERSPECTIVE

### The Engineer of 2020 Report

#### A Vision of the Contexts for Engineering in 2020

Emergence of new fields, tools, and contexts

xamples: bio-tech, digital systems; computer systems/tools; sustainable technology; multidisciplinarity and interdisciplinarity, social, political & economic, diversity; global markets & contexts; interaction of engineering and public policy

#### Attributes of the Engineer of 2020

- THE ENGINEER OF 2020
- Strong analytical skill
- Practical ingenuity
  Creativity
- Communication competencies (oral, written, and cultural)
- Business, management, and leadership skills
- High ethical standards and professionalism

Diversifying the STEM student population

### **Engineering Education Research**



Colleges and universities should endorse research in engineering education as a valued and rewarded activity for engineering faculty and should develop new standards for faculty qualifications.

### JEE Research Emphasis

#### January 200



- The State of the Art and Practice of Engineering Education Research
- Guest Editors
   Richard M. Felder, NCSU
   Sheri D. Sheppard, Stanford
   Karl A. Smith, U of Minnesota

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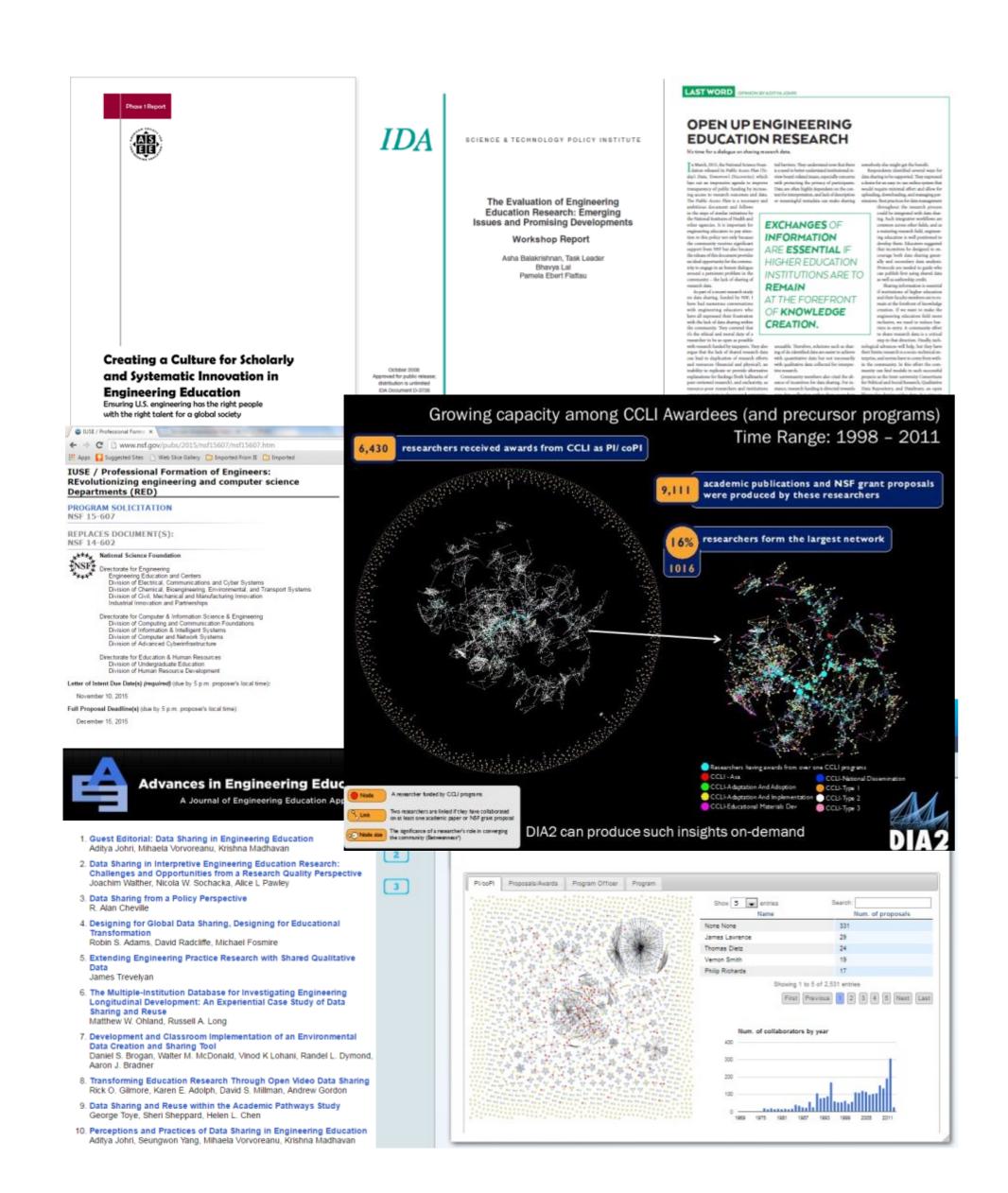
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Engineer of 2020 (2003) EE2020 (2005)

JEE Special Issue (2005)

ENG ED COLLOQUIES (2006)



# SCHOLARLY ENGAGEMENT WITH THE ENGINEERING EDUCATION COMMUNITY

### REPORTS

Contributed to several NSF, NAE, and ASEE reports on different aspects of engineering education,

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Co-editor of the research handbook. Write a regular column for ASEE Prism and have edited several journal special issues (JEE, AEE, Engineering Studies).

## SOFTWARE

Co-developed iKNEER, (Interactive Knowledge Networks for Engineering Education Research), a interactive repository of engineering education papers and proposal abstracts. Subsequently developed DIA2, a portal to analyze NSF funding portfolio,

## SERVICE

Serve as director of ASEE-ERM, and on editorial boards of AEE & Engineering Studies. Organized a doctoral consortium and participate as mentor in PEER. Part of the organizing team for EEC Awardees conferences.

## NAE Special Report (JEE 2006)

Special Report

## The Researc of Engineeri

#### I. Introduc

Rapid changes in the worldwide en ating a compelling rationale for us to cate future generations of engineers [1 neer of 2020 [5], tomorrow's graduate contribute expertise across multiple global economy that is fueled by rapid astonishing pace of technological bi urban infrastructures, environmental provide housing, food, water, and hea ple will challenge the analytical skills From a U.S. perspective, a continuing can youths in engineering, a shrinking novation, and an engineering research early warning signs that the nation's stake if we fail to take action. Our lead vation are destined to erode unless

Meeting these and future challer tional change rather than increment recruit and educate engineering stu and government leaders from across have repeatedly remarked that systen ucate engineers must be the path by episodic cycles of educational reforn long-lasting improvements in our e in engineering education must become change to improve the technical fluer increase interest in engineering and pact of the engineering profession, in neering student body, and increase t global engineering workforce. Sucl principles, methodologies, and educa to continuously build innovative cur rary engineering practice and meet the world. Ultimately, we assert that approach to our educational system, research is performed and used in the ciplines, it will allow us to be more

October 2006

## II. Research Areas

The five research areas for the new discipline of Engineering Education consist of one or more interrelated strands of research that can be investigated independently or integrated with other areas of inquiry. The research areas include:

- Engineering Epistemologies
- Engineering Learning Mechanisms
- Engineering Learning Systems
- Engineering Diversity and Inclusiveness
- Engineering Assessment

h designing assessment instruments and ces that may be unique to engineering. Renthe value systems and effective models for and faculty. For example: What deters or ennent? What are extrinsic and intrinsic motigage in assessment? How does assessment fit of the institution? What are the implications impact or inform change? and What are efding communities of diverse researchers for sessment? Ultimately, we need to understand needed by engineering educators to develop, essment methods and tools as well as define o accomplish this goal.

#### CALL TO THE NATION

of how to educate an engineer is becoming sophisticated. Our goal for developing the been to build from our collective knowledge a roadmap for organizing our efforts for eduhe dynamic world of engineering practice. collaboration between academia, industry, ovide the necessary leadership that will help reality. Our nation needs to make the critist that will transform today's educational system paradigm for engineering education and anintains its leadership role in addressing the future.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>As exemplified in recent editorials in the (Kerns, 2005; Gabriele, 2005; Haghighi, 2005; Smith, 2006) and in the Special Issue devoted to Engineering Education Research (Lohmann, 2005). Also see "Envisioning a 21st Century Sport the United States", A report to the Govern Roundtable. The National Academies Press. 20

## INSTITUTIONALIZING A FIELD (circa 2010)

Building legitimacy for EER as a worthwhile field of endeavor

Showcasing a strong rigorous/"scientific" foundation for EER

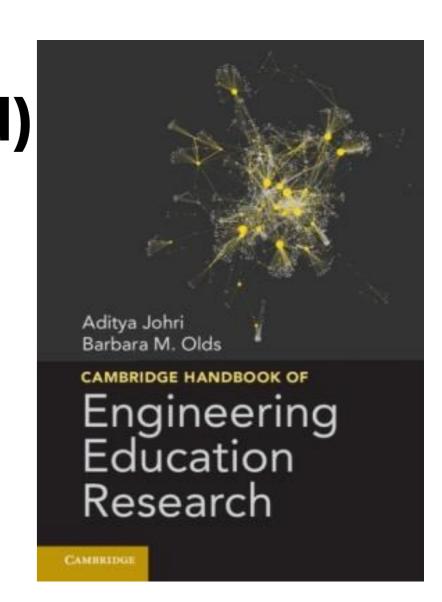
Creating recognition beyond scholarly community

Attracting new talent into the field

Forward looking and reflective (continuous process for any field)

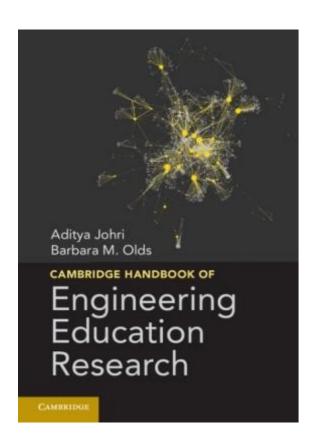
The field of Learning Sciences as a model as I was familiar with it through my graduate work (master's and doctoral)

The Cambridge Handbook of The Learning Sciences (2005) (Ed. Sawyer)



## CAMBRIDGE HANDBOOK OF ENGINEERING EDUCATION RESEARCH

70+ authors, 30+ chapters; Shaped NSF solicitation, NAE agenda, used as core volume for engineering education research courses; Best Book Award by AERA Division I (2014).



vest Editors' Introduction

The Cambridge Handbook of Engineering Education Research and Reflections on the Future of the Field Adlya John, <sup>a</sup> Borbara M. Olds, <sup>b</sup>

sigh the lineage of engineering aducation is long, starting over a century ago, ong ducation research (EER) generally lacked definition as a discipline until the late salty 2000s. In a landmark insex of the forward of Engineering Education in 2005, as in the field angued for a congrapt rehoration and empirically driven smearch highly, 2005. Since these, engineering education has quickly emerged as a research-Subsequently, it has experienced a solutarital increase in essearch output as ne as increasingly important field internationally as evidenced by the growing putsersher base of including journal, the format of Engineering Education, as well as it such as Advances in Engineering Education, the European format of Engineering and the International Journal of Engineering Education. The strength of engineering research and practice is also evident in the founding of PLD,-granting engineering research and generation is also evident in the founding of PLD,-granting engineering.

colliborate with each other.

Despite the growth of the field, them was heretofore no correprehensive volume that provided an overvine of the work doors within EER and, more important, that arviewed it holds of work that has developed within EER. The book we edited, the Constrainty Hand look of Engineering Education Research, politished this Agril and already widely leasure a CHEER, aims to close this gap in the field. The only current test that comprehensive addresses some issues relevant to EER is fold Reywood's Engineering Education: Research and Development in Carricalne and Instruction-related issues, CHEER focuses on recent the outside and empirical developments in research on engineering education.

The idea for developing an exited volume energed from conversations held in a rat of wrone, remain, and meetings and from the pensoral experiences of the editors and authors, who felt that a comprehensive volume would be useful for a variety of purpose Consequently, the editors approached Cambridge University Press (New York, NY) vit proposal for an editied volume that has resident in offEER. The authors of its chapters in swort some of the leading scholars in the EER constituting across the world. Our god' to publish an easily accessible volume that will be widely used by resemblees in the field origineering education and that will also support the needs of students, originating facility and performance. Overall, this volume signals the maturity of the EER community — b intelligentally and as a community of scholars.

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Cambridge Handbook of Engineering Education Research

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Abstract
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the Cambridge Mandbook of Engineering Education Research (JUREK) is written by a tumble of the most respected researchers in the field of engineering education research, to edited by Aditya johni from Virginia Tech and Barbara Olds of the Colorado School of times and NSE Contributing authors run the gamust of big names in all aspects of ngineering education research. The book begins with an overview of engineering ducation development by jettrey Froyd and Jack Lohmann. This beginning buts the naterial in the rest of the book into context, explaining the history of the fields' isvelopment along with the major factors that have contributed to the growth of ngineering education as a scientific field of inquiry. This chapter mentions, briefly, the world-wide history of the field, but connectrates polimatify on its development within the

The remainder of the book is divided into six sections covering important aspects of the field. At a total of over 700 pages, the book provides a great deal of information in the basics of each different aspect, the current state of the art in each area, and open research questions that still need to be answered. Each section has authors that are the current authorities in these fields and a rish bibliography that provides the background information and theories in more detail than can be covered in the text itself. I personally

National Academy of Engineering
Workshop on Pathways for Engineering Talent
Committee on Understanding the Engineering Education Workforce Continuum

#### Selected Background Literature

The literature items linked below are provided to give attendees from diverse communities and perspectives some basic background information on major themes and questions that will help them engage more fully in the workshop sessions. It is a short list by design, not intended to provide supporting literature for each of the workshop presentations.

1. Characteristics of Engineers and Engineering

Abt Associates Inc. (2004). Engineers in the United States: An Overview of the Profession. Engineering Workforce Project Report #2. Cambridge, MA: National Science Foundation.

This report serves as background for the data discussion the workshop will have. It analyzes data from the NSF's Scientists and Engineers Statistical Data System (SESTAT) during 1993 and 1999 and focuses on what degrees are held by those working as engineers and what areas engineering graduates are working in. The data distinguishes and compares across engineering disciplines and level of degrees held. The report demonstrates that while the majority (57%) of engineering graduates are employed in some engineering specialty, there are a number who work outside engineering jobs. The data shows that engineering

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Division of Human Resource Development

Letter of Intent Due Date(s) (required) (due by 5 p.m. proposer's local time):

Full Proposal Deadline(s) (due by 6 p.m. proposer's local time)

PURDUE

ENE 59500-030: Social Construction of Knowledge – Cambridge Handbook of Engineering Education Research and the EER Body of Knowledge

CRN 15463, 1-credit Fall 2015 Wednesdays, 11:30 am -12:20 pm ARMS 3109

Instructors:

Dr. Ruth Streveler (<u>streveler@purduce</u>) - ARMS 1307, Office Hours: Wednesdays 1-3 pm
Dr. Michael Loui (mloui@purducedu) - ARMS 1331; Office Hours: TBD
Dr. Juyce Main (<u>imain@purducedu</u>) - ARMS 1323; Office Hours: TBD

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION AND RATIONAL

The purpose of this course is to provide opportunities to socially construct knowledge around a shared topic of interest and for course participants to define and meet their own learning goals in relation to this topic. The topic for this course is the Cambridge Handbook of Engineering Education Research (CHEER) as a representation of the body of knowledge about engineering education research (EER).

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## ENGINEERING EDUCATION IN THE U.S. AND INTERNATIONALLY













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3 rd GEN: CENTER+

4<sup>th</sup> GEN: DEPT EXP 5<sup>th</sup> GEN





























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## **Engineering Education Community Resource**

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**EDIT** 



This engineering education wiki is a resource created in 2011 by the American Society for Engineering Education's Student Division (ASEE SD), in collaboration with the Center For Engineering Learning & Teaching (CELT). The resource primarily consists of links to programs, centers, researchers, societies, publication venues, etc., intended to help in the exploration of engineering and, more broadly, STEM education. We hope that ultimately this wiki will encourage community members to expand this resource as a place to inform students and other interested individuals new to engineering education about the research happening in this field at institutions and centers all over the world.

**FYI most site visitors do not need to request access to join this workspace.** All site content is public. Only those interested in maintaining the wiki need to request access to join. If you want to suggest a simple addition or edit, feel free to email us (details below).

The resource currently consists of lists in the following categories:

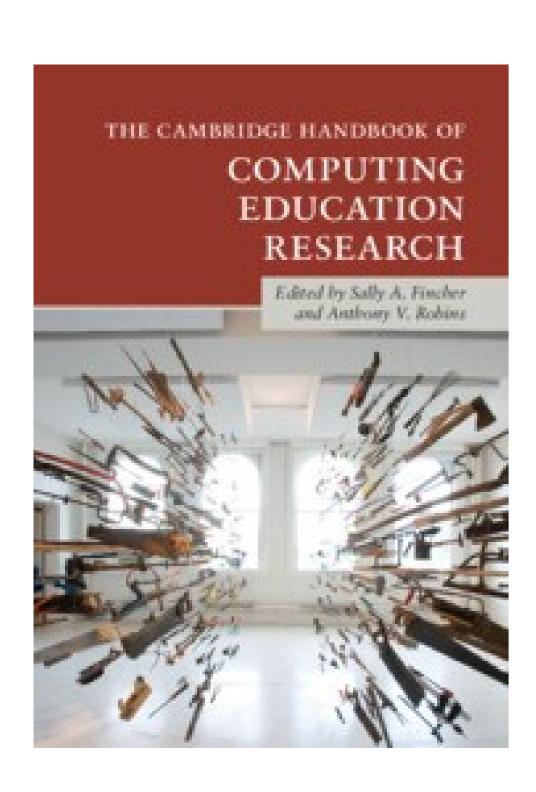
- Engineering/STEM Education Departments and Programs
  - Graduate level
  - <u>Undergraduate level</u>
- <u>Engineering/STEM Education Centers, Institutes, and Research Groups</u>
- Engineering Education Communities and Societies
- Engineering Education Research Publication Venues (including Special Issues and Calls for Book Chapters)
- Engineering Education Conferences
- Engineering Education Events (including PhD program open houses and workshops) (last addition: 2021/09/16)
- <u>Engineering Education Accreditation Organizations</u>
- Resources for Engineering Educators
- Engineering Education Scholarship and Funding Sources
- Engineering/STEM Education Job Postings (last addition: 2021/11/16)
- Research Briefs Engineering Education Podcasts
- <u>Domestique</u> Support for developing NSF CAREER Proposals

These lists are works in progress. Your contributions help keep them current and complete. If you wish to add anything on this wiki, please contact the list maintainers by e-mailing engineeringeducationlist@uw.edu and providing a link to your addition (**Note: The wiki does not post files**):

Adam Carberry, Associate Professor @ Arizona State University



## CAMBRIDGE HANDBOOK OF COMPUTING EDUCATION RESEARCH



- Similar efforts in the field of computing education research (CER), as it moves from CSEd, a more practice-oriented community, towards a research-driven field. Changes in journals as well (what they are called and the kinds of papers they accept).
- Both EER and CER are following models from others discipline-based education research (DBER) fields such as physics and mathematics education. CER is more international in nature and CER is different than EER in that for many CER contributors, use of technology or computing for education is often a part of their disciplinary work as well.
  - Development of tools is characteristic of a lot of CER (e.g., assessment, programming).
  - Use of tools found online, such as GitHub or online communities such as StackExchange also a large component of education and learning.
- In the U.S., many scholars involved in CER come from schools of education and preK-12 related research is quite common (compared to EER).
  - Many researchers come from fields such as Learning Sciences and Cognitive Science and have been funded by NSF programs such as Cyberlearning.
- In the U.S., some new engineering education departments are "engineering and computing education" departments as the integration between the field is gaining momentum.
- What can the disciplines/fields learn from each other?

## International Handbook of Engineering Education Research (IHEER/Routledge)



Update of previous handbook (Cambridge Handbook of Engineering Education Research, 2014) with new content not covered earlier; Almost a decade during the first and second volumes; work on the first started in 2010.

Open access model funded through U.S. National Science Foundation.

Rather than just research, focus also on educational practice and a lot more international than previous version as engineering education field has grown a lot across countries (it is still a little U.S. centric as it has been hard finding authors).

Around 100 authors of which 10% were authors of chapters in volume one.

Process: community-wide survey to get feedback on topics and suggested experts who could write the chapters (~150 complete/usable responses).

Conference inspired review model; 18 Associate Editors helping with the process; EasyChair for managing the process; AEs will also assist with virtual seminar/discussion of chapters through a series of talks.

## The Process and Field Building

The process of putting together a volume like this, if done in the right way, is a field building exercise on its own.

It creates collaborations and a network; it brings those on the margins/periphery towards full participation.

It leads to future collaborations among contributors, many of whom have not worked together before.

Leads to new ideas that then results in new papers and projects.

Showcases field maturity to stakeholders.

## Process

- Step 1: Figure out what you want to do and if you really want to do it (why?); talk to people, other scholars who have edited handbooks before.
- Step 2: Find an editor and get feedback on the overall idea (publishers' webpage, conferences, acknowledgement sections of similar books); this is a tricky thing as you don't really know the person and a lot of trust is required. Easier to trust university presses as opposed to the big ones (for me!).
- Step 2.5: Try to get a sense of authors, chapters, and abstracts before Step 3 for a smoother process but a proposal doesn't necessarily need that. Every publisher has a template they will send you (you need to be able to justify the need for a book).
- Step 3: Write the book proposal and send it to the editor who will send it out to get reviewed (this process varies but usually 5-10 reviewers are solicited through a single-blind process; reviewers, of course, know editor and proposed authors).

## Process

- Step 4: Recruit authors, create a timeline, put together a system for article submission and review; this is a very time-consuming process and often the biggest bottle-neck for the editor (if you really want to do a comprehensive job; for non-handbook edited volumes you can also just invite people you know from within the community). Arrange reviewers.
- Step 5: Send authors instructions including formatting, references. indexing so that the chapter is in as good a shape as possible; try to do it from the first draft itself or there will be a lot to take care of later.
- Step 6: Set a strict timeline to complete everything and send it to the publisher (they will not start their process until everything is completed at your end); they are often likely to comeback with more changes and/or formatting issues.
- Step 7: Plan for post-publishing discussions, events, reviews, etc.; Make a list of people you'd like to send the book to who can influence its uptake.

# THANK YOU!