An ecological framework for investigating assets and needs

Teacher Design Knowledge for Technology Enhanced Learning:

Purpose: To support the work of teachers as designers of technology enhanced learning (TaD of TEL)

Approach: Synthesis of research on in classical design fields, instructional design, and teachers' design

Conclusion: A framework that can be used: (a) by researchers to study teacher design knowledge and work across projects; and/or (b) by developers and facilitators identifying key areas to encourage/support in teacher professional development programs that involve teacher-designers in specific settings

| Synthesis | Technical | Phenomenological | Realist |
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| Description | Models and frameworks to guide design | Designers' reflections on and responses to the environment, and their related experiences | What designers actually do, how they do it and why they do it |
| Inter- disciplinary example | Design thinking (Brown & Wyatt, 2010) | Reflective practitioner (Schön, 1987) | Design cognition (Cross, 2001) |
| General education example | 4C/ID model (van Merriënboer & Kirschner, 2012) | Educational connoisseurship (Eisner, 1976) | Expert-novice differences (Kirschner et al, 2002) |
| TaD of TEL example | Learning activity types (Harris & Hofer, 2009) | HEART methodology (Donald et al, 2009) | Developing TPACK through design (Koehler & Mishra, 2005) |

| Framework | Powerful design heuristics | Teacher-designer consciousness and situated experience | Realistic understanding of design practices |
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| Know-what (fundamental knowledge base) | What is design thinking and which models or frameworks are likely to be most useful for teachers in a given situation? | What intuitive knowledge, awareness and experiences do teachers bring with them to design technology enhanced learning? | What do teachers typically consider when designing technology enhanced learning and what issues are typically overlooked? |
| Know-why (productive beliefs) | Why is teachers' careful attention to shaping design processes (before and during their enactment), critical for successful outcomes? | Why are teachers more and less aware of their own decision-making rationales in certain situations? | Why do teacher designers make certain kinds of design decisions and how does this change with experience? |
| Know-how (repertoire for action) | How do healthy design processes proceed? (and how similar or different are they from the natural design inclinations of teachers?) | How do teacher design schemas develop and how does this relate to their own intuitive knowledge? | How do teachers use their TPACK during design and in what ways does this influence their overall pedagogical design capacity? |
| Know-when (judgment in various contexts) | When should teachers choose, re-assess or change a particular approach to guide the design process? | When do teachers decide to improvise and when are one's own ideas put to use, given the setting and goals? | When do teachers base decisions on tacit rather than reflective knowledge, and when do they draw on (other) design expertise? |
| Know-who (awareness for consulting relevant expertise) | Who should teachers consult for guidance on design processes and/or the products of design in certain contexts? | Who might enrich and inspire teacher awareness and/or educational connoisseurship? | Who do teachers typically consult during different stages of design work and for which main purposes? |