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Educational Technology for the Global Village

New Book Highlights Tech Projects That Support Education in Developing Countries and Communities While Teaching Students About Volunteerism and Global Citizenship



April 28, 2014, Medford, New Jersey—Information Today, Inc. (ITI) announced the publication, in print and ebook editions, of *Educational Technology for the Global Village: Worldwide Innovation and Best Practices*, edited by Les Lloyd and Gabriel I. Barreneche.

Lloyd and Barreneche lead a team of expert contributors in this eye-opening look at projects that are innovating with technology to improve education and, indeed, the very quality of people’s lives around the world. From collaborative learning communities and social networks to Web 2.0 tools, MOOCs, and mobiles, the book presents a dozen case studies of tech initiatives that teach students to think and act globally while helping to close the education gap between developed and developing nations. Contributors explain how students, schools, and organizations can reuse “obsolete” technology in places where it will be “new” and describe the impacts of such efforts on communities abroad.

“The possibilities afforded by instructional technology to build bridges between the diverse peoples of the world seem endless,” according to Lloyd. “As educators in this globalized and technology-filled environment, our task is to find the most effective ways to guide our students across those bridges and make sense of the interconnectedness afforded by that technology.”

According to Kelly Moser, professor of Foreign Language Education, Mississippi State University, “In a world that is becoming more interdependent and interconnected with each passing day, this book represents an indispensable tool for fostering intercultural awareness and promoting global citizenship through technology.”

Educational Technology for the Global Village includes these 12 chapters:

1. *Learning Global Citizenship Through Teaching Technology*, by Gabriel I. Barreneche
2. *Service-Learning Linked to Social Media and Virtual Worlds: An Educational Strategy for Promoting Global Sustainability*, by Brian Shmaefsky
3. *A Transglobal Virtual Language Learning Community for ESL and EFL Teachers: Using Skype and PBworks*, by Patricia Davis-Wiley
4. *Using Asynchronous Web 2.0 Tools to Promote Language Learning and Intercultural Communication*, by Lina Lee
5. *The iPad as a Tool for Global Education: Opportunities and Limitations*, by Kathryn Mendez
6. *From Traditional to Massive Online Education: The Global Health Village*, by Bernardo Ramirez, Maysoun Dimachkie Masri, and Cherie Lynn Ramirez
7. *Teacher ePortfolios: Links to Interpersonal and Intrapersonal 21st-Century Communication Skills*, by Eunice M. Merideth and Peggy E. Steinbronn
8. *Furthering Educational Technology in Developing Countries*, by Carrie Schulz
9. *Design Education for Social Innovation Supported by Technology: The Safe Agua Case Study*, by Mariana Amatullo, Dan Gottlieb, and Penny Herscovitch
10. *Emerging Technology in the Schools of Rwanda*, by J. Scott Hewit and Abigail Bragg New
11. *Galapagos ICE*, by Denise Cummings
12. *A Service-Learning Novice Finds His Way*, by Les Lloyd

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