



Explorations in Physics

Indicates a research-demonstrated benefit

Overview

A sequence of introductory, activity-based, laboratory courses that integrate the use of guided-inquiry techniques with self-directed projects.

Type of Method	Full curriculum
Level	Designed for: Intro College Conceptual
Setting	Designed for: Studio
Coverage	Few topics with great depth
Topics	Mechanics, Waves / Optics, Thermal / Statistical
Instructor Effort	Medium
Resource Needs	TAs / LAs, Computers for students, Advanced lab equipment, Tables for group work, Studio classroom
Skills	Designed for: Conceptual understanding , Lab skills, Making real-world connections, Designing experiments
Research Validation	Based on research into: theories of how students learn , student ideas about specific topics Demonstrated to improve: conceptual understanding , beliefs and attitudes Studied using: student interviews
Compatible Methods	PhET , Physlets , SCALE-UP , OSP , LA Program , MBL , CPU
Similar Methods	Workshop Physics , SCALE-UP , MBL ,
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