



# Entangled Learning: An Overview

**Entangled Learning** empowers individuals to direct their own learning through intentional peer-to-peer collaborations and rigorous documentation of new learning.

**Learning Design** is the driver.

- Individuals design purposeful inquiry by articulating what they want to learn, explaining its significance, and planning how they will learn it.
- Learning designs put in motion all three cycles around a common area of exploration.

**Community of Practice** is the lab group.

(Adapted from Wenger, McDermott, and Snyder, *Cultivating Communities of Practice*. 2002)

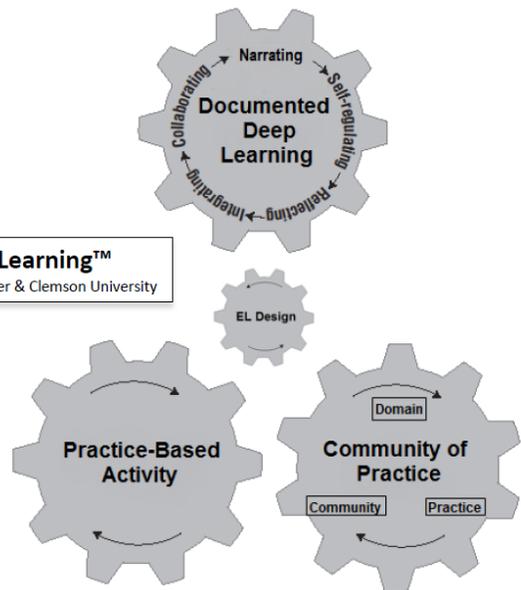
- *Domain*. Engagement in an area of common interest and need fuels the pursuit of new knowledge.
- *Community*. Individuals collaborate as equals to develop new knowledge and skills.
- *Practice*. Activity in the area of common interest develops new knowledge and skills that defines the culture.

**Practice-Based Activities** are the means to develop and apply new knowledge and skills.

- Activities provide learning opportunities by creating points of interaction between skill development and inquiry into the area of common interest.
- Knowledge and skill development are strengthened when learning activities, such as problem solving, are aligned with developing the community's shared competence in the domain and an individual's deepening learning

**Documented Deep Learning** provides rigor for individuals to build learning credentials.

- *Narrating*: Individuals tell their stories, with varieties of evidence, of what they are learning, why it is important, and how they are succeeding in developing their learning.
- *Self-Regulating*: Individuals are aware of, and exercise control over, behaviors associated with their desired learning outcomes. Evidence demonstrates how effectively new behaviors or processes are applied.
- *Reflecting*: Individuals articulate the meaning and significance of their learning in the context of evolving personal and community goals and values. Evidence illustrates changes in goals, values, meaning, and identity.
- *Integrating*: Individuals provide evidence to demonstrate synthesis and application of their knowledge and skills to real-life activities or theoretical situations. Applications occur within their practice or in other practices, or demonstrate linkage of new knowledge and skills to what was already known.
- *Collaborating*: Learning narratives are shared within and beyond a domain-specific community of practice. This sharing, and the feedback, reinforces learning and identity around new learning.



Documented cycles of deep learning through well-designed engagement in activities and communities of practice in multiple domains narrate a compelling personal story of multifaceted paths of skillful, self-directed, lifelong learning.