

Guidelines for publishing an Edu bits article in the IFE Observatory

Format and Structure of an Edu Bits Article

1. Write your proposed Edu bits article about a personal pedagogical experience in educational innovation. It should include the most relevant information and the results.
2. Think of a compelling title for your Edu Bits article that hooks people to read it. The title should have a maximum of 74 characters and be understandable and easily read. It should pose a question, offer advice, provide a list of steps, evoke emotions, and be profound, serious, funny, amusing, or engaging.
3. The article's opening lines must be highly effective to hook the reader and establish its topic.
4. Use short, simple, and intelligible sentences.
5. Within the article, include links or references to project videos and information. If you desire, send a representative image or photo as an e-mail attachment for the digital edition of your article.
6. **Format:**
 - a. Article length: minimum 1000 words - maximum 2500 words.
 - b. Font type: Arial.
 - c. Font size: 11 points.
 - d. Line spacing: single space.
 - e. Alignment: left justified.
7. Write confidently and enthusiastically, demonstrating your knowledge about the topic and recognizing the importance of sharing it with the educational community.
8. The editorial team of the IFE Observatory will provide support and guidance in producing the article and will do the editorial and graphic design.
9. **Use the following proposed structure to develop your Edu bits article:**

Edu bits Article Structure

Edu bits article title

Month/day/year

By: Full name(s) of author(s) and (e-mail)

Introduction

- 1) State the current concern or problematic situation that led to writing this article (**Issue or concern**).
- 2) Introduce the topic addressed in the article by answering the following questions: Why is this topic relevant in the educational field? Which people or entities are relevant to the problematic situation or concern? What will the reader learn, know, or take away after reading your article? (**Relevance**).

Development

- 3) Provide specific examples of the current concern or problem with facts, figures, statistics, or illustrations. You can also mention real examples or experiences to contextualize the problem (Current situation). ***Include at least two sources as references to support the information provided.**
- 4) Describe the efforts or improvements to date on the main topic of your article. Explain why these efforts have been insufficient to help the reader understand the problem and context (Current situation). ***Include at least two sources as references to support the information provided.**
- 5) Discuss current trends and possible problem solutions. What are the latest developments or innovations in this area? What are the most recent innovations worldwide? Discuss successful cases related to this issue. Use multimedia links to support the explanation. (**Trends**) ***Include at least two sources as references to support the information presented.**

Project or personal experience

- 6) Have you ever implemented a project related to the issue addressed in the article? It could be a technological project, a proposal, or a new pedagogical approach or model in your course. Describe your experience as follows: **(Implementation/Personal Experience)**
- What comprised the experience and its purpose?
 - Describe the incorporated technologies, strategies, methods, or learning techniques.
 - Describe the evidence, results, and assessment method.
 - Describe specifically the benefits to learning and comments or feedback from students.
 - Describe any areas for improvement that still exist for successful implementation.

Invitation

- 7) Reflection: In two short paragraphs, reflect on the article's content.
- 8) What would you like other educators to do with the information you share in the article? For example: (Invitation)
- Implement this same experience in your classroom.
 - Delve deeper into the topic.
 - Join the... team.
 - Would you like to be contacted regarding any questions, ideas, or suggestions?

Curriculum Vitae and References

- 9) **About the author.** Write your curriculum vitae with the most recent and relevant information in no more than three lines (Curriculum Vitae).
- 10) **References** (in APA format)

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Full name of the educator.

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