Keeping it real: the importance of situating learning in the 'real world'



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United Nations Principles of Responsible Management Education (PRME) https://www.unprme.org/

"PRME's vision is to create a global movement and drive thought leadership on responsible management education.

PRME's mission is to transform management education and develop the responsible decision-makers of tomorrow to advance sustainable development."



PRME Principles for Responsible Management Education





Principle 1 | Purpose

We will develop the capabilities of students to be future generators of sustainable value for business and society at large and to work for an inclusive and sustainable global economy



Principle 2 | Values

We will incorporate into our academic activities, curricula, and organisational practices the values of global social responsibility as portrayed in international initiatives such as the United Nations Global Compact.



Principle 3 | Method

We will create educational frameworks, materials, processes and environments that enable effective learning experiences for responsible leadership



Principle 4 | Research

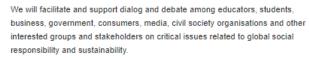
We will engage in conceptual and empirical research that advances our understanding about the role, dynamics, and impact of corporations in the creation of sustainable social, environmental and economic value



Principle 5 | Partnership

We will interact with managers of business corporations to extend our knowledge of their challenges in meeting social and environmental responsibilities and to explore jointly effective approaches to meeting these challenges.

Principle 6 | Dialogue



WSBG is an Advanced PRME Signatory

- 2014 WSBG became signatory of UN Principles of Responsible Management Education (PRME)
- 2021 WSBG submitted its Third Progress Report which aligns the six PRME Principles with the 17 SDGs

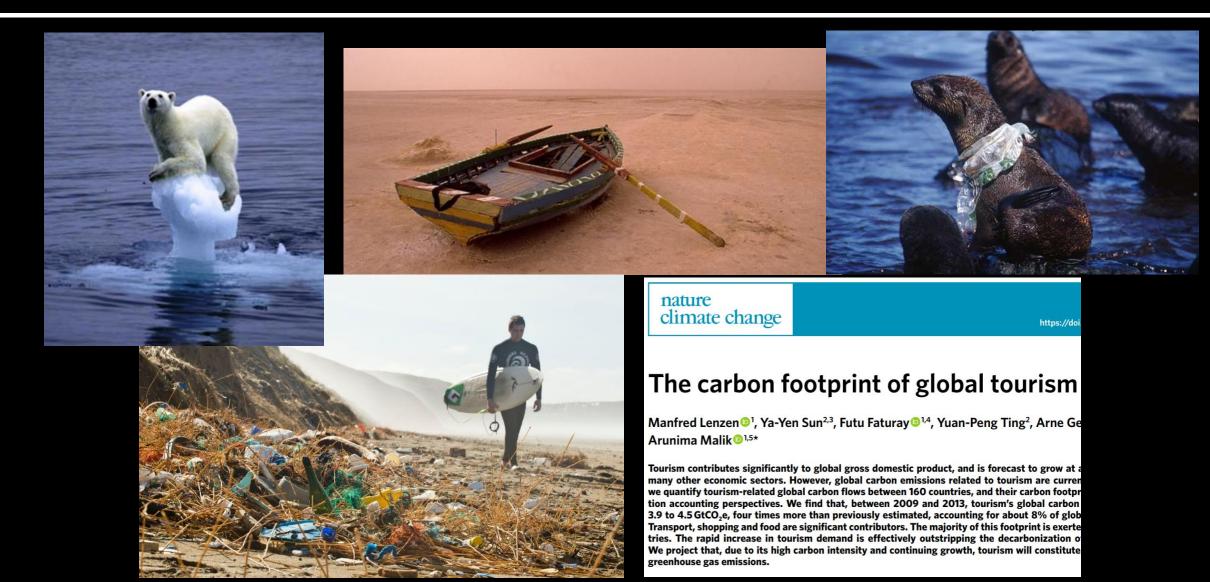




But let's take a step back...

Do we need a more sustainable future?

The natural environment through a Tourism Management lens....



What about tourist behaviour?



Three female tourists caused outrage in Rome after they stripped down to their bikinis and cooled off in the Fontana dell'Acqua Paola

Rome

Peru

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British tourist arrested for posing nude at Peru's Machu Picchu ruins

Adam Burton allegedly stripped naked at the Machu Picchu ruins with his friend



Adam Burton, 23, and his french friend Eric Xavier Mariec, 28, were allegedly spotted by guards posing naked and taking pictures

Bali





Full Moon Party, Thailand



The morning after the Full Moon Party, Thailand



The indirect impacts

FEEDBACK FROM 'HOST' COMMUNITIES

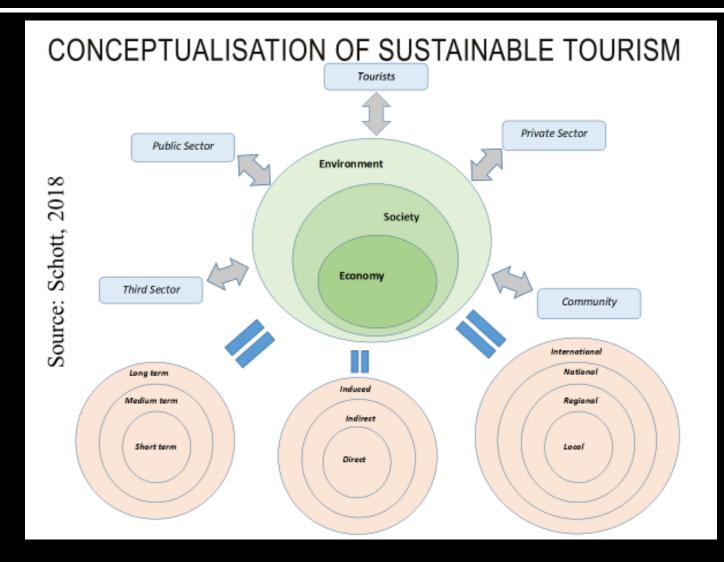


Barcelona, Spain



Venice, Italy

The educational response: Sustainable Tourism Management Education



How do we teach these topics in an effective way? For 100 years we have used Situated Experiential Education









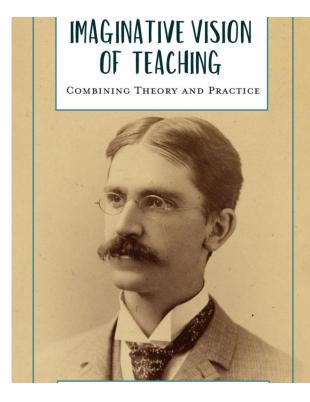
Situated Experiential Education - pedagogical tool for `mindful' and `bodyful' education

Experiential Education long promoted by Dewey (1938) et al. Benefits include:

- increased learner engagement (Hanson & Moser, 2003)
- enhanced subject knowledge (Chickering & Gamson, 1987)
- lifelong learning skills (Grabinger & Dunlap, 1995).

Situated learning (Lave, 1988)/situated cognition (Brown, Collins, & Duguid, 1989):

 pedagogy that positions learning process in 'real world' (including in communities)



Q Search analysis, research, academics...



Academic rigour, journalistic flair

THE CONVERSATION

and



How COVID-19 has affected overnight school trips, and why this matters

May 14, 2021 11,57pm NZS

In the context of the rise in indoor culture and nature deficit disorder, there is clear support at governmental level for outdoor education. Nick Cockman / Alamy Stock Photo

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For over 45 years, children from across the UK have headed to the family-run Rhos-Y-Gwaliau Outdoor Education Centre in Snowdonia, north Wales on school 14 trips. They've gone gorge walking and abseiling. They've explored mines.

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Rhos-Y-Gwaliau has been seen as a haven of outdoor learning for children who otherwise might not have access to the countryside - not to mention the awe and wonder of the Welsh peaks. That is, until the pandemic hit.

For the first time in over a year, schools may once again (from May 17) organise overnight educational visits. But the damage is done. The Save Outdoor Education Campaign estimates that 2 million children nationwide have missed out on trips since residential centres were forced to close



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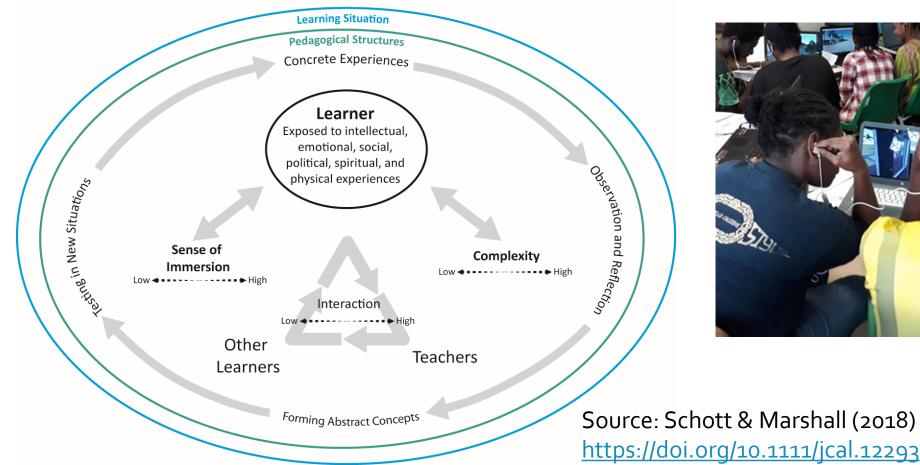
Best way to learn about sustainability challenges and climate change impacts is through a R<u>eal Fieldtrip</u>

Real fieldtrip missions-related activities for 91 students accompanied by about five staff members			
Activity type			Total CO ₂ -e Emissions
	people		
Return Flight NZ to Nadi (Fiji)	96	Return distance 5253 km	116,417.28 kg
Return water transport port to	96	Return distance 238 km (straight line)	5549.76 kg
island			
Road Transport in New Zealand	96	20 km (average) return to airport with average occupancy 1.5 students/staff per car	342.72 kg
Road Transport in Fiji	96	20 km return on bus from Nadi airport to Denerau Port	68.16 kg
Four nights' accommodation on	96	No electricity in village accommodation	0 kg
island			
One night in hotel en route to	96	Emissions figure overstated because large groups create larger energy efficiencies	764.75 kg
island		than average guest nights used by calculator	
Total estimate for real fieldtrip CO	2-e Emissions		123,142.67

Passionate about situated and experiential learning we developed Virtual Reality Situated Experiential Learning

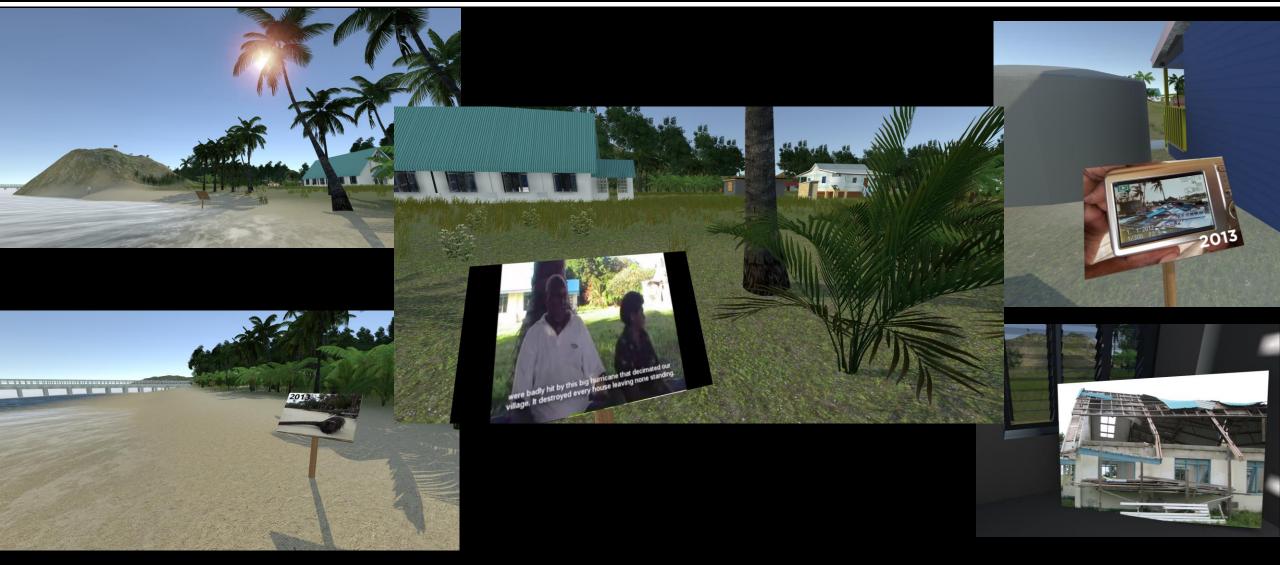
Conceptualization of situated experiential education environment (SEEE) adapted from Choi and Hannafin (1995); Itin (1997); Hall and Kidman (1996); and Moore (1993)

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Our learning tool:

digital immersion experiential learning about a place, its people, its cultural world view and its climate change and sustainability challenges and solutions

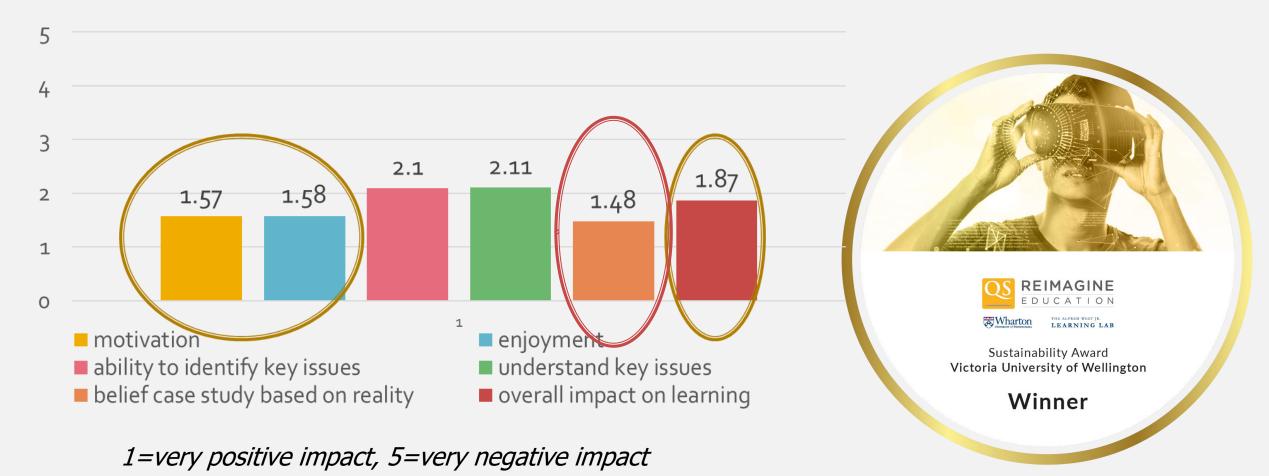


Videos embedded in the virtual island allowing students to 'talk' to different community members about tourism, sustainability challenges and aspirations for the island – within Fijian cultural context

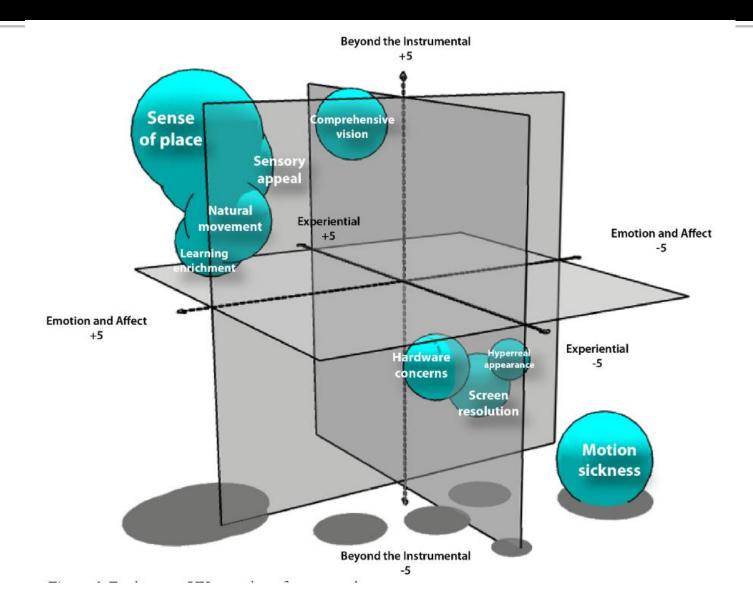


Student Feedback and International Recognition

Monitor-based experiential learning about 'case' vs text-based case study (means)



User Experience (UX) Research on Fijian Learning Tool



Source: Schott & Marshall (2021) https://doi.org/10.14742/ajet.5166

Based on success of first learning tool: School focused-learning tool about Tourism, Sustainability and Life in Machu Picchu Pueblo, Peru











Learning Tool about sustainability in Machu Picchu Pueblo, Peru freely available to schools from website



https://www.virtualmpplearningtool.org/



About the VIRTUAL MACHU PICCHU PUEBLO Learning Tool



This education project is designed to make experiential sustainability education about distant places accessible to NZ school students; without the need to travel. It seeks to make learning about other countries, cultures and sustainability meaningful by fostering situated active learning.

To achieve this, students visit a digital replication of the main square of Machu Picchu Pueblo (also known as Aguas Calientes), at the base of the world-famous and heavily visited <u>Machu Picchu archaeological site</u>. The town's square and alleys are developed using virtual reality gaming software which allows students to explore the area through an avatar, either as individual learners or as a group.

Students can hear from nine different community stakeholders about life in the town, the positive and negative impacts of tourism, and their aspirations for the year 2030 (to tie in with the UN's Agenda 2030 and the SDGs). The stakeholders include the mayor, representatives of local government, business owners, a tour guide, a busker, a community member with limited contact with tourism, and a tourist.

The learning tool is freely available to New Zealand schools and runs on <u>most Windows PC and laptop computers</u> (not currently suitable for Chromebooks but we are working on a Chromebook version). An <u>accompanying learning and teaching resource</u> is designed for social studies education in Years 7-10 and focuses on sustainability and globalisation.

The project has been developed by a multi-disciplinary team from <u>Victoria University of Wellington, Aotearoa/New Zealand</u>, with funding from the <u>Latin America Centre of Asia-Pacific Excellence (LatAm CAPE)</u>

As this learning tool is research-led we will continue to refine it through staff and student research.

CLICK HERE TO REQUEST VIRTUAL MPP LEARNING TOOL

Free resources to support the Virtual Machu Picchu Pueblo Learning Tool in

the Intermediate and Secondary School Curriculum



Information about Peru and Machu Picchu

DOWNLOAD INFORMATION ABOUT PERU AND MACHU PICCHU



Learning and Teaching Resources

DOWNLOAD LEARNING & TEACHING SEQUENCE



Using the Learning Tool and Technical Guidance

DOWNLOAD INFORMATION ABOUT MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS, INSTALLATION, USER CONTROLS AND MULTIPLAYER

Thank you, Vinaka, Gracias

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