

Engineering Design Process (EDP)

WHAT IS IT?

The Engineering Design Process is a cyclical process that develops skills in defining a problem, defining the criteria and limitations, decomposing systems (part-whole), generating solutions, drawing and creating representations, experimenting, and optimizing their design. Students learn to modify the world and adapt it to their needs.

“Engineering Competencies” National Academies Press, 8 Sept. 2009. Web. 04 Mar.2011 http://www.nap.edu/openbook.php?record_id=12635&page=120

ASK	<input type="checkbox"/> Understand the problem clearly <input type="checkbox"/> State the conditions and limitations <input type="checkbox"/> Obtain information from prior knowledge
IMAGINE	<input type="checkbox"/> Brainstorm idea(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Relate ideas to the problem
PLAN	<input type="checkbox"/> Choose one idea that is testable <input type="checkbox"/> Draw a useable prototype design (multiple views). <input type="checkbox"/> List materials that are affordable and available
BUILD/CREATE	<input type="checkbox"/> Follow the plan <input type="checkbox"/> Add to the original design to make it work
TEST/IMPROVE	<input type="checkbox"/> Collect and record data accurately <input type="checkbox"/> Analyze data by showing patterns or relationships <input type="checkbox"/> Review data to make decisions about redesigning <input type="checkbox"/> Improve/Tweak as time allows
SHARE	<input type="checkbox"/> Present your solution to your peers <input type="checkbox"/> Gain input for your design from others

