

## **AECT, Who We Are**

The Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT) is a U.S. based professional international association of instructional designers, educators and professionals who provide leadership and advise policy makers in order to sustain a continuous effort to enrich teaching and learning. Seizing opportunities to raise awareness and leverage technology, our members may be found around the world in colleges and universities, in the Armed Forces and industry, in museums, libraries, and hospitals, and in the many places where educational change is underway. Our research and scholarly activity contribute to the knowledge base in the field of Learning. We are on the cutting edge of new developments and innovations in research and application.

AECT has a storied history and has been in existence for over 100 years. As such, AECT partners with some of the largest global publishers in the world as well as open source AECT publishing partners to provide publications and peer reviewed flagship journals which contribute to the knowledgebase of educational technology, instructional design, and education technology research. Among the leading academic journals produced by AECT include TechTrends, Educational Technology Research & Development (ETR&D), Journal of Applied Instructional Design (JAID), International Journal of Designs for Learning (IJDL), as well as others. In addition to our peer reviewed journal repository, AECT members enjoy access to one of the largest educational technology membership libraries provided by any educational membership association in the United States and connection to a professional family of scholars, instructional designers, and education technology business professionals around the world.

AECT holds an annual international convention within the United States each year where members enjoy networking and sharing ideas and research <u>2024 AECT</u> <u>International Convention | October 19, 2024 - October 23, 2024</u>. Additionally, through its new Center of Excellence for Publishing, AECT is working toward building solid international affiliate partners to co-host symposium and research workshops which might contribute to advancing the field of educational technology. More information about AECT and AECT membership can be found by going to <u>www.aect.org</u>.

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