

PEDAGOGICAL CONDITIONS FOR DEVELOPING PRACTICAL COMPETENCE OF PHYSICS STUDENTS THROUGH AN INTEGRATIVE APPROACH

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Abstract

This article analyzes the significance of the integrative approach in physics education and the pedagogical conditions necessary for its effective implementation. The study examines key factors including national policy and legal frameworks, material and technical resources, curriculum content, digital infrastructure, and instructor qualifications as the fundamental components supporting integrative methodology. The author highlights the integration of theoretical knowledge with laboratory practice, digital tools, and real-life scenarios to enhance students' practical competence. Specific examples from the "Electricity and Magnetism" course are discussed along with their applicability to other branches of physics.

Keywords: Integrative approach, physics education, practical competence, digital technologies, laboratory activities, curriculum, pedagogical conditions, instructor qualifications, "Electricity and Magnetism", interdisciplinary integration.

Introduction

The integrative approach in education implies linking diverse knowledge domains and learning activities, harmonizing theoretical insights with practical skills. This approach is especially crucial in physics, where theoretical principles can be contextualized through real-world experimentation. To successfully implement such a methodology, several pedagogical conditions must be met. These include systemic support, adequate infrastructure, and methodological readiness.

Relevance of the Integrative Approach

In physics education, the integrative approach facilitates deeper comprehension of core concepts by linking theory with hands-on practice. For instance, laws learned in the "Electricity and Magnetism" section can be applied in laboratory sessions and project-based experiments using digital tools. This alignment fosters competencies such as independent problem-solving, analytical thinking, and technological fluency.

Moreover, integrative pedagogy supports the development of 21st-century skills: critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, and decision-making under uncertainty. Such comprehensive competence contributes not only to academic success but also to readiness for professional environments.



Methodology

Policy and Legal Frameworks: National education reforms in Uzbekistan emphasize the integration of modern technologies and competency-based learning. Presidential decrees have mandated interdisciplinary approaches and practical application of knowledge within school programs. The Digital Uzbekistan 2030 strategy further underlines the deployment of IT in education through smart schools and digital learning centers.

Material and Technical Resources: Modern laboratories equipped with instruments such as oscilloscopes, voltmeters, and optical devices are essential. Digital tools like data loggers and sensors enhance experimental design and analysis. Classrooms must support group collaboration and be furnished with computers, projectors, and high-speed internet.

Curriculum Content: Competency-based curriculum design must incorporate integrated lessons and sufficient time for practical activities. For example, theoretical instruction on electromagnetic induction should be followed by hands-on experiments. The use of Arduino platforms connects physics with computer science, advancing interdisciplinary learning. Evaluation criteria must reflect both theoretical knowledge and practical skills.

Digital Infrastructure: Learning platforms like Moodle, Google Classroom, and national portals such as Ziyonet facilitate content delivery, assessment, and collaboration. Virtual labs allow remote experimentation, making education more accessible and flexible.

Instructor Qualifications: The role of the teacher is central. Instructors must be adept in both pedagogical theory and digital practice. Professional development should include training on integrative methods and instructional technologies. Frameworks such as DiKoLAN support structured competence development.

Discussion and Findings. Digital technologies extend learning beyond physical classrooms. During the pandemic, simulations and virtual labs proved effective substitutes for in-person instruction. Teachers used smartphones, tablets, simulators, and online communication tools to conduct and assess experiments. These platforms promote student collaboration and feedback collection, empowering autonomous learning.

Effective integrative teaching requires instructors to design lessons that merge theory and application seamlessly. Competent educators enable students to explore, analyze, and apply physics concepts through independent inquiry.

Conclusion

Integrative methodologies, especially within courses like "Electricity and Magnetism," can be adapted to topics like Mechanics and Optics using digital simulations, virtual experiments, and real-time data analysis tools. Educators must creatively align theoretical instruction with experimental activity, fostering competence that includes knowledge, skill, experience, and motivation.

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