

Dr Denine Jimmerson

Curriculum, US Education

Dr. Jimmerson specializes in creating and implementing student-focused experiences designed to engage creative thinking and problem solving. She is a professor, researcher, and professional development expert. Denine's experience consists of integrating creative tools in the teaching and learning cycle, including game-based learning and animation. Denine's experience stems from 20 years in the field of youth services and urban education, bringing modern learning into the 21st century classroom. Dr. Jimmerson has also been working in the field of special education, designing curriculum and managing specific projects for large urban districts. Most notably, she designed, implemented and managed the middle school after school program for New York City's District 75 - America's largest special education district.

Assoc. Prof. Wee Hoe Tan, PhD Games-based Learning

Technology-based Learning Content

Dr Tan serves as an advisor to KneoWorld to ensure its technology-based learning educational content helps special needs children achieve their full potential. Dr Tan joined the KneoWorld team in an advisory position in 2012. He holds the Doctorate in Games-based-Learning from the University of Warwick, UK. He presently serves as Director of the Education Research Laboratory, Sultan Idris Education University (UPSI) Malaysia. In addition, Dr Tan is the Malaysian Games-based Learning Association President and a member of the editorial board of the International Journal of Game-based Learning.

Prof. Laurie O'Donnell

Learning Content and Curriculum Development Consultant

Laurie O'Donnell serves as a consultant to KneoWorld, providing guidance on educational content and assessment of how special needs students improve their academic skills. Mr O'Donnell joined the KneoWorld team in 2012. He has spent more than 30 years in education, including acting as a national leader of educational technology developments in Scotland. Presently, he is a visiting professor of learning innovation and technology within the University of Abertay School of Arts, Media and Computer Games.

Jeffrey A. Huart Professional Development

Jeffrey A. Huart provides education content counsel and provides professional development to educators in how to use KneoWorld technology-based learning to improve learning and behavior among special needs students in NYC public schools. Mr Huart joined the KneoWorld team after a 32-year career in education in the NYC public school system, where he was a special education teacher in Brooklyn for eight years before assuming the position of Special Representative for the United Federation of Teachers (UFT), which he held for 25 years. At the UFT he represented members in equitable arbitration of grievances. He also led development training programs for educators, including conflict resolution, health and safety, and political lobbying. Mr Huart holds the Bachelor of Arts in Education from Brooklyn College and the Master of Arts in Special Education from Adelphi University. He is a licensed and certified teacher in New York City.

