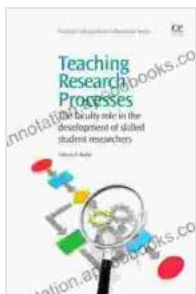


Unlocking Student Research Potential: The Faculty Role in Developing Skilled Researchers with Chandos' Educational Resource

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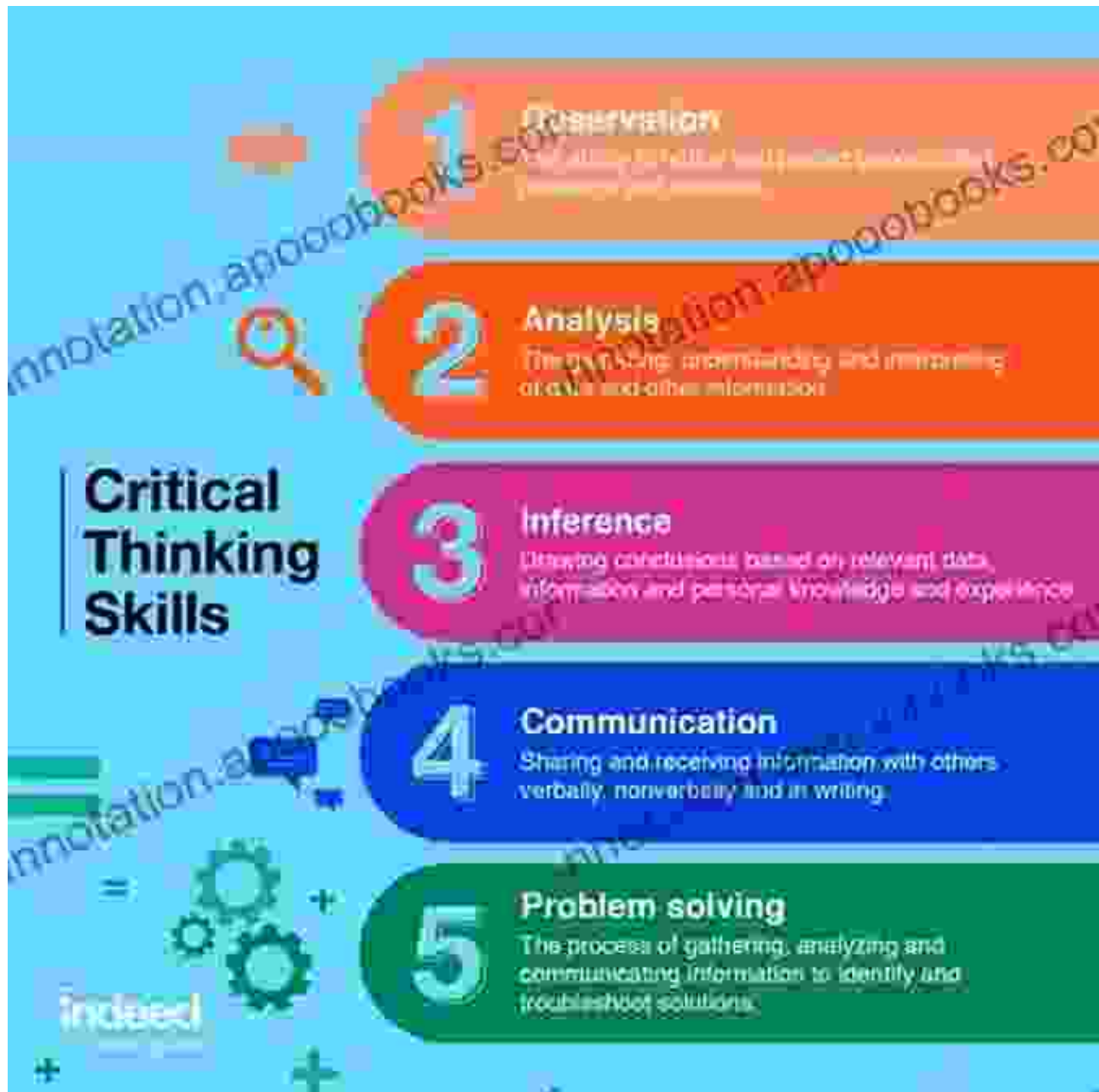
Understanding the Research Process

Effective research involves a structured process that includes identifying a research question, gathering and analyzing data, and disseminating findings. Chandos' book equips faculty members with a deep understanding of each stage of the research process, enabling them to effectively guide students through their research journeys.



Fostering Critical Thinking and Analytical Skills

Skilled researchers possess the ability to critically evaluate information, identify patterns, and draw sound conclusions. The Faculty Role in the Development of Skilled Student Researchers provides educators with innovative approaches to foster critical thinking and analytical skills in their students.



Developing Research Design and Methodology

The choice of research design and methodology is crucial for the success of any research project. Chandos' guide offers practical guidance on selecting appropriate research designs, sampling techniques, and data collection methods, empowering faculty members to support students in developing robust research proposals.

RESEARCH METHODS VERSUS RESEARCH DESIGN

Research methods are the procedures that will be used to collect and analyze data	Research design is the overall structure of the research
Focus on what type of methods are more suitable to collect and analyze the evidence needed	Focuses on what type of study is planned and what kind of results are expected from the research
Depend on the research design	Based on the research question or problem

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Cultivating Research Communication Skills

Effectively communicating research findings is essential for researchers to share their knowledge and make an impact. The Faculty Role in the Development of Skilled Student Researchers includes dedicated chapters on developing students' oral and written communication skills, preparing

them for research presentations, and publishing their work in academic journals.



Mentoring and Supporting Student Researchers

Mentoring and support are vital for student researchers' success. Chandos' guide provides practical strategies for faculty members to provide effective guidance, feedback, and encouragement throughout the research process.



Assessment and Evaluation of Student Research

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Involving Undergraduate Students in Research: Is it Possible?

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Abstract - Undergraduate students are often involved in research activities. "Undergraduate" and "research" are two words that are seldom used in the same sentence. It is a commonly held view that undergraduates have insufficient skills to conduct useful research. Further, the faculty numbers in traditional research universities often have a sufficient supply of research-capable postgraduate students. However, polytechnics and traditional teaching-oriented universities, such as Ohio University College, have few postgraduate students. This paper addresses the use of undergraduate students as a research resource both in terms of doing research work, and as part of the students' training and development. Factors contributing to the success of such activities are discussed such as publishing results and including students in the writing process. Experiences from various projects over the past four years at both Ohio University College and Tatung University are used as examples on how this can be achieved in practice.

Index Terms - Undergraduate research, ability of person, lifelong learning, student motivation, academic writing.

1. INTRODUCTION

The idea of involving undergraduates in the research activities of university is appealing – especially for colleges that offer liberal arts and mainly offer undergraduate programs. Assessing the research agenda of a department while building the academic skills of the student is a win-win scenario. Clearly, there are obvious benefits associated with undergraduate research, including students' motivation and skill, teachers' effort, etc. However, some educators may be surprised to learn that the literature on undergraduate research is quite extensive [1-7], and that undergraduate research experiences are offered in many places around the world. Undergraduate research is offered in several different forms ranging from entrepreneurial research projects sponsored through incubators to summer schools. In this paper we share our experiences with undergraduate research and implement strategies for encouraging students to participate.

2. UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH EXPERIENCE FOR EVERYONE

Some claim that there are 1000 reasons for including all students in the undergraduate research experience [4], also offered in an article Scholasticity by Miles et al. [4] argue

that students in higher education naturally seek out research experiences for themselves. They propose a realistic "low-cost" approach to include all students in a well-structured program.

Others argue that students from teaching-oriented universities have disadvantages over research-oriented university students when entering into postgraduate programs [8], and that the inclusion of research into the curriculum in teaching-oriented universities can help narrow this gap.

Other arguments are that research helps prepare students for lifelong learning which they will need in a future filled with rapid change [9]. The Internet is increasingly used as a source of information and students need to be able to search for and assess the quality of the information they find, frequently make decisions, and decisions are based on information and insight. Good decisions are based on good information while bad decisions are based on poor, false or incomplete information. Furthermore, students may learn to handle failure as a possible outcome. It is also claimed that it is stimulating for students to work with new, novel knowledge [7] and that research can increase students' enthusiasm for a subject [8]. Undergraduate research can help reach pedagogical goals such as problem-solving, teamwork, informed learning and responsible learning [10]. Miles [6] argued that the increased student teacher contact that results from an undergraduate research experience greatly exceeds the current trend of student-teacher ratio in higher education.

Most papers focus on the benefits of the research activity, but there are also important personal development issues such as critical product, growth of self-confidence, independence and tolerance of obstacles [8].

Another viewpoint is that students' involvement in research helps justify the research carried out at the institution [10].

3. NETWORK OF INDEPENDENT PROJECTS

The literature on independent projects mentions the use of student teamwork [11]. These recommendations are also consistent with the authors' own experiences. However, the nature of teamwork is sometimes inconsistent with the idea of independent academic research where the student will have to assess a situation, collect information and make a decision based on the available information. On the other hand, for undergraduates reach this level of research, work is mainly development oriented.

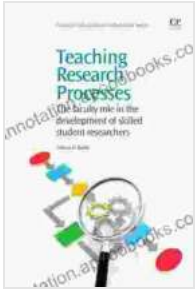
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