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Planning for and Achieving Quality Peer Evaluation Outcomes for Student Projects

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Abstract

ABSTRACT

The thoughtful design and application of peer evaluations can enhance student learning and leverage faculty resources. Both of these outcomes are important in today's educational environment. Assuring quality peer evaluations is a non-trivial process. This study discusses two critically important aspects of the peer evaluation process. Based on the peer evaluation process used with course projects in an MBA quantitative methods course, we discuss critical aspects of planning for effective peer evaluation – including behavioral and motivational issues. The remainder of the paper is devoted to methods for evaluating and assuring high quality peer evaluations.

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