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Assuring Quality in Global Higher Education: A Review

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Abstract: This paper presents a general idea and a literature review of the main aspects related to quality assurance in global higher education. It provides an overview of accreditation as a mechanism to ensure quality in higher education, examines models of QA, and explores the concept of quality. In addition, the paper provides a review of research on the effectiveness of quality assurance practices, with a particular focus on student involvement with quality assurance. Furthermore, although quality is the significant concern for accrediting bodies, accreditation structures are decentralized and complex at both the regional and international level. Another challenge identified revolves around the concerns of faculty members and other stakeholders, such as students, about the QA process. Given that students are at the center of higher education, and invest time and money in the system, so, involving the students could improve QA processes.

Keywords: Quality Assurance, Accreditation, Continuous Improvement, Higher Education, Accountability, Involving Students In Quality Assurance

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