

41-318 Seminar: Critical Examination of Examples of Educational Research on Self-Regulated Learning

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| Registration group: | EW SEM FM/PP |
| Intended for: | B. Ed. Lehramt an Grundschulen (Undergraduate Studies in Teacher Training for Elementary Schools, Grades 1-4) B. Ed. Lehramt für Sonderpädagogik mit Profilbildung Grundschule (Undergraduate Studies in Teacher Training for Special Education in Elementary Schools, Grades 1-4) |
| Duration: | Summer semester 2025 |
| Hours per week: | 2 |
| Number of sessions: | 13 |
| Credit points: | 3 |
| Language: | German |

Content:

Evidence-based practice is an important foundation for professional teaching. It is therefore important that teachers not only are familiar with research findings, but also are able to critically assess their quality and significance. In this seminar, empirical research papers related to school and teaching will be read and discussed. In addition, students will reflect on the extent to which the findings of these studies are relevant to their future professional practice.

Learning objectives:

Students will ...

- acquire knowledge and a deeper understanding of the characteristics of good research
- develop the ability to read and understand quantitative-empirical pedagogical-psychological and educational studies
- reflect on the findings for their own future professional practice
- develop an understanding of the importance of self-regulated learning

This not only enables students to acquire important skills for reading current research findings later on in their careers, but also for their own qualification work as part of their further studies.

Procedure:

Students independently select empirical studies on the topic of 'Self-regulated learning in primary school,' which are read, discussed and evaluated in terms of their significance in the seminar. In addition, the findings from the studies are jointly reflected upon in relation to the students' future professional practice. Within the overarching topic, the studies may be chosen according to individual practical interests (e.g. subject-specific, school type-dependent, etc.).

At the beginning, there is an introduction with input on scientific reading and text work, the characteristics of good research, the assessment of the significance of studies and practice-oriented reflection.

How does that look like?



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The students form groups. Each group searches peer-reviewed journals (see Sessions 1 & 2) for an empirical study on the main topic of self-regulated learning, with a specific focus on primary school. The criteria of good scientific practice and the evaluation of empirical studies serve as the basis for the selection. The students develop a concept for a session of 75 to 80 min. in which they creatively engage their fellow students in discussing certain aspects of the study and reflecting on its findings. This session is not a mere presentation of the study, but rather serves to deepen understanding. The group therefore presents the concept to the instructor during an office hour no later than (!) one week before the session (earlier is welcome) and sends the study to the instructor as a PDF so that it can be made available to all students via Moodle in time (one week before the session). At the end of the session, the moderation group will have the opportunity to obtain specific feedback from the students (10-15 min). The lecturer supplements this feedback only with feedback on the students' participation and their feedback practice. In addition, written, ungraded feedback will be sent by the lecturer. If desired, there will be an additional verbal debriefing after the moderation has been carried out.

All students read the studies uploaded each week thoroughly and attentively. The SQ3R method (see Literature) is recommended for this purpose. Afterwards, they complete the weekly portfolio task, in which they are asked to formulate 3–5 questions about the text as well as a take-home message in just one sentence. The weekly portfolio submission is part of the examination. These must always be submitted two days before the next session.

In addition, after approximately half of the seminar sessions as well as shortly before the end of the seminar, written reflection assignments are uploaded to Moodle. These cannot be submitted ahead of schedule. Before the final seminar session, students also complete the online evaluation of the seminar.

Materials & Literature

The given materials were in German as well as some of the literature.

Syllabus

| # | Title | Content | Literature & Materials |
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| 1 | Videos & self-study time instead of online teaching | <ol style="list-style-type: none">Task 1: Expectations for this seminar – after watching the videosTask 2: Create a brief profile for the categories of sports, music, art, and what makes you special, with two truths and one lie for each categoryTask 3: Read the text on the specified pagesPortfolio on the text with 3-5 questions about the text and a take-home message in just one sentenceOptional: Anonymous survey on digital tool use for the task | Self-produced PowerPoint screen recordings: Video 1: Organization und schedule of the seminar Video 2: Introducing myself Video 3: Why you should engage in research Rost, D. H. (2022). Die Beurteilung empirischer Studien. In <i>Interpretation und Bewertung pädagogisch-psychologischer Studien: Eine Einführung</i> (4th ed., pp. 20-42, 365-375). utb. https://katalogplus.sub.uni-hamburg.de/vufind/Record/1756000204 |
| 2 | TikToks for evaluating empirical studies | <ol style="list-style-type: none">Getting to know each otherIntroduction into the day's schedulePlan for todaySurprise (TikTok recording)File upload for feedback, with note on publication options5-minute breakGroup assignment for approx. 10 moderationsQuestions about organizational matters | 2_PP_Kennenlernen_TikTok.pptx Own SRL-TikTok (produced while the students are filming their TikToks) |



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| 3 | Meta recipe for self-directed learning (SDL) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Warm up (games) 2. Development of a meta-recipe 3. Presentation of ideas 4. Input: Definition of Self-Directed Learning (SDL) 5. 5-minute break 6. Peer feedback on process – Part 1 7. Peer feedback – exchange of experiences Part 2 8. Plenary reflection 9. Check-Out | 3_PP_Meta-Rezept für SRL.pptx OER_Kollaborationsskript.pdf OER_Rollen_Gruppenarbeit_verändertMP.pdf Definition Kollaborationsskript.pdf Website link to Using Roles in Group Work https://ctl.wustl.edu/resources/using-roles-in-group-work/ |
| 4 | Promoting SDL (1. Moderation) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whisper phase (5 minutes) • Group work with group cards (10-15 min) • „Interna“ in the plenary (10-15 min) • 5-minute break • Group work with group cards (15 min) • Presentation of group work in the plenary session (15 min) <p><i>Back at university – meta level</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consolidation of learning (5 min) • Feedback (10 min) | Killus, D. (2007). Förderung selbstgesteuerten Lernens. Empirische Befunde und Ansatzpunkte zur Unterrichtsentwicklung. Die Deutsche Schule, 99(3), 330–342. https://doi.org/10.25656/01:27302 4_PP_Förderung_des_selbstgesteuerten_Lernens.pptx |
| 5 | Outdoor Education (2. Moderation) | <p>Own Portfolio Tasks Procedure</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction: Meditation (5 min) 2. Outdoor ping-pong with portfolio questions (10 min) 3. Group division into games, movement, and exploration (5 min) 4. Group task: Developing a task format for SDL in outdoor primary school settings (30 min) 5. Exchange and reflection (10 min) 6. Testing a task format (10 min) 7. Conclusion & feedback ((5 min) | Portfolio zur 2. Moderation und Studie.pdf Armbrüster, C., Gräfe, R., Harring, M., Sahrakhiz, S., Schenk, D., & Witte, M. D. (2016). Spielen, Bewegen, Erkunden – Praktiken der Raumaneignung von Grundschulkindern in der Draußenschule. <i>Diskurs Kindheits- und Jugendforschung</i> , 11(4), 473–489. https://doi.org/10.3224/diskurs.v11i4.25605 5_Sitzungsgestaltungsplan.pdf Aufgabenblätter.pdf |
| 6 | Motivation & SDL in relation to aggressive behavior (3. Moderation) & Interim course reflection | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Warm up with Kahoot 2. Discussion: “The study was conducted in 2011 in Austria – which societal or school-related differences compared to Germany or today could affect the transferability of the results?” 3. Group work on case studies (20 min): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What possible actions come to mind for these cases? • As teachers, what would you do in these situations to help the affected children? 4. 5-minute break 5. KiVa program – Evidence-based bullying prevention from Finland 6. Conclusion with feedback and self-reflection | Bergsmann, E. M., Finsterwald, M., Strohmeier, D., & Spiel, C. (2011). Motivation und Selbstregulierte Lernen in SchülerInnengruppen mit unterschiedlicher Aggressionserfahrung. <i>Zeitschrift für Entwicklungspsychologie und Pädagogische Psychologie</i> , 43(2), 89–98. https://doi.org/10.1026/0049-8637/a000038 6_PP_Motivation und SRL in Bezug auf Aggressionsverhalten.pdf Casestudies_Motivation and SRL in Bezug auf Aggressionsverhalten.pdf Quizfragen zur Studie.pdf Website link to KiVa-Program in Finnland https://www.kivaprogram.net/research-in-finland/ Literature on bullying among primary school teachers for further reading |
| 7 | Learning during the COVID-19 pandemic (4. Moderation) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Role play on COVID-19 Nasal swab – positive result -> Person cannot take their A-level exams 2. Sharing feelings: How did you experience the pandemic? 3. Station work with different materials 4. Joint reflection on the station work 5. Input: Limitations of the study | Lenzgeiger, B., Lohrmann, K., & Miller, K. (2024). Lernen während der COVID-19-Pandemie – Selbstregulierte Lernen in der Schule und zu Hause aus der Perspektive von Grundschülerinnen und Grundschülern. <i>Zeitschrift für Grundschulforschung</i> , 17(2), 215–232. https://doi.org/10.1007/s42278-024-00213-5 7_PP_Selbstregulierte_Lernen_und_die_Pandemie.pptx |



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| | | | Material zur Stationsarbeit-pdf Tonaufnahme Hintergrundgeräusche Homeschooling.m4a |
| 8 | Learning journals as personal experience – a means of self-regulation (5. Moderation) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brief introduction to the self-regulation process model with preparation, follow-up and action phase 2. Designing a template for a learning journal in groups (15 min) 3. Group puzzle (10-15 min) 4. Discuss feedback from group puzzle in original groups (5-10 min) 5. 5 min break 6. Create a personal learning journal (20 min) 7. Discuss other learning journals in groups (10 min) 8. Reflection & feedback in plenary session | <p>Schmitz, B., & Perels, F. (2011). Self-monitoring of self-regulation during math homework behaviour using standardized diaries. <i>Metacognition and Learning</i>, 6(3), 255–273. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11409-011-9076-6</p> <p>8_PP_Lernjournale.pptx</p> <p>The learning journals are compiled anonymously in a file and made available to everyone.</p> |
| 9 | Student progress meetings – is my goal actually MY goal? (6. Moderation) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Thought experiment 2. S.M.A.R.T. + SDL & Learning Development Talks (LEG in German, a German format of Student-Teacher-Conferences) 3. Challenge – group work with case studies (1 observer) 4. Reflection 5. Conclusion | <p>Ertl, S., Xie, L., Kücherer, B., & Hartinger, A. (2024). Ist mein Ziel wirklich „mein“ Ziel?: Der Zielvereinbarungsprozess in Lernentwicklungsbesprechungen. <i>Zeitschrift für Grundschulforschung</i>, 17(1), 127–145. https://doi.org/10.1007/s42278-023-00172-3</p> <p>9_PP_Lernentwicklungsbesprechungen.pdf</p> <p>Beobachtungsbogen_LEG_neu.pdf</p> <p>Hilfskärtchen.docs</p> |
| 10 | Self-Regulated Learning & motivation in digital learning – what makes the difference? (7. Moderation) | <p>Objective of the seminar session:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does SDL mean in digital and “traditional” learning? • How does motivation influence learning? • How can this be used for school/university? <p>Procedure</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meditation exercise & reflection 2. Group puzzle for metacognitive strategies: planning, monitoring, evaluating, adapting 3. 5 min break 4. Group task on motivation based on student profiles 5. Additional task: Do it better! 6. Reflection & outlook | <p>Haugwitz, M., & Dresel, M. (2007). Selbstreguliertes Lernen mit einer Mathematiklernsoftware: Einsatz metakognitiver Strategien und motivationaler Prädiktoren. <i>Zeitschrift für Medienpsychologie</i>, 19(3), 90–104. https://doi.org/10.1026/1617-6383.19.3.90</p> <p>10_PP_SRL & Motivation beim digitalen Lernen.pdf</p> <p>Plakate zu den Strategien.pdf</p> <p>Konzept_Moderationsstunde</p> |
| 11 | We pitch Self-Regulated Learning for schools (8. Moderation) | <p>Own portfolio:</p> <p>Procedure</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Initial situation 2. Ensuring understanding of the study & clarifying any points of confusion (expert groups, 20 min) 3. Evaluating the quality and usability of the study (expert groups, 10-15 min) 4. 5 min break 5. Creating a pitch based on the study (small groups, 15 min) 6. Reflecting on the creation of the pitches (small groups, 5 min) 7. Feedback in plenary | <p>Portfolio zur 8. Moderation.pdf</p> <p>Benick, M., Dörrenbächer-Ulrich, L., & Perels, F. (2018). Prozessuale Evaluation differenzierter Effekte eines Selbstregulationstrainings gegen Ende der Grundschulzeit. <i>Unterrichtswissenschaft</i>, 46(4), 379–407. https://doi.org/10.1007/s42010-018-0031-y</p> <p>11_PP_Wir_pitchen_SRL_für_die_Schule.pptx</p> <p>Ampelergebnisse nach Methode, Ergebnis und Diskusison.jpeg</p> |
| 12 | Different teaching methods promote or hinder SDL to varying degrees (9. Moderation) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction with Padlet 2. Mini input on concepts of lesson design with teacher action strategies 3. Small group phase (30 min) with Padlet 4. 5 min break 5. Discussion of the results in plenary 6. Mini input: classification of the study 7. Discussion round 8. Reflection | <p>Killus, D. (2009). Förderung selbstgesteuerten Lernens im Kontext lehrer- und organisationsbezogener Merkmale. <i>Zeitschrift für Pädagogik</i>, 55(1), 130–150. https://doi.org/10.25656/01:4243</p> <p>12_PP_Einfluss_von_Unterrichten_auf_SRL.pptx</p> <p>Unterrichtssituationen zum Auslegen.docx</p> |



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| | Course Evaluation & concluding course reflection | | Padlet Schwarzes Brett.jpeg Padlet Gruppenphase.jpeg |
| 13 | Final session with discussion of the seminar evaluation & reflection on the seminar | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check-In (5-7 min) 2. Discussion of the evaluation results and final reflections (30-35 min) 3. 5 min break 4. Suggestions for improving the course (15 min) 5. Find the lies in the profiles and keep a tally of where you think you see the lies (20 min) 6. Presentation of the truths and conclusion (10-15 min) | 13_PP_Abschlussreflexion.pptx SoSe_25-Seminar_zum_selbstregulierten_Lernen_Seminarevaluation.pdf ZZIMM-Tabelle_Abschlussitzung.docx Printed profiles from the first session |

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