

Learning and Innovation

What does it mean at the University?

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Two terms and two challenges

1. "Learning" and "ability of learning"

2. "Innovation" and "skills for innovation"







System based on "learning outcomes"

- 'learning outcomes' means statements of what a learner knows, understands and is able to do on completion of a learning process, which are defined in terms of knowledge, skills and competence (EQF recommendation, April 2008)
- We have system "based on learning outcomes"
 - We define, write, describe *learning outcomes* for the study programme and it's educational components
 - We teach students to achieve *learning outcomes*
 - We assess *learning outcomes*
- Sometimes we are not satisfied with students' learning
 - We have taught them but they didn't learn
 - We have supported students' learning but
 - They didn't' achieve *learning outcomes*, why?







Learning to learn

- Are we sure students have ability to learn?
- Have we written, in study programme, the learning outcomes concerning ability to learn?
- Can we point out courses students *learn to learn*?
- Do we support development of skills for learning?
- Do we assess *learning skills* according to the level of qualification?





"Learning"



in Polish Qualification Framework (for LLL)

PQF – Skills – a person is able to:

Level 1-2. – learn under direct guidance in a structured form

Level 3. – learn partially autonomously under direct guidance in a structured form

Level 4. - learn autonomously under direct guidance in a structured form

Level 5. - learn autonomously

Level 6 – (I cycle) – Autonomously plan one's lifelong learning

Level 7 – (II cycle) - Autonomously plan one's own lifelong learning and direct others in this area.

Level 8 – (III cycle - PhD) – Autonomously plan one's own development as well as inspire development of others.







Lifelong learning perspective (XXI century)

 The most important learning outcome at any level of education is development of ability to learn (in formal, non-formal context and informal learning)

- How to help students to be prepared for LLL, to be able to learn?
 - To learn every day, to learn at the workplace, to learn from experience







"Innovation" at the University

- We develop innovations (by research)
- We transfer innovations to society and economy
- We implement innovations in university
- We develop *innovative* study programmes
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- Do we help students to develop "skills for innovation"?







Skills for innovation

- Skills for innovation 21st century skills*
 - Technical Skills including disciplinary know-what and know-how
 - Thinking and creativity skills
 - Curiosity, critical thinking, problem solving and making connections, open-mindedness, critical questioning ..
 - Social and behavioural skills
 - Interest, engagement, self-directed learning, self-confidence, organisation, communication (cross-cultural) collaboration, teamwork, leadership ...







"Innovation" in the EQF for LLL

- Level 6 (I Cycle)
 - Advanced skills, demonstrating mastery and innovation,
- Level 7 (II Cycle)
 - Specialised problem-solving skills required in research and/or innovation......
- Level 8 (III Cycle PhD)
 - The most advanced and specialised skills and techniques, required to solve critical problems in research and/or innovation







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 - Teaching and learning methods
 - "flipped education"
- Assess this learning outcomes

How to do this??????





"Flipped learning" How to implement it?



Traditional Model

Flipped Model



Blooms Taxonomy

Source: Williams, B. (2013). How I flipped my classroom. NNNC Conference, Norfolk, NE







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I wish you a fruitful discussion