

Higher Education Quality Assurance and Accreditation Implementation in Several Countries Across the World and Lessons Learned for Vietnam

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#### **ABSTRACT:**

Quality assurance and accreditation in higher education has been implemented in many countries across the world with the main purposes of quality control, quality improvement and accountability. This paper aims to synthesize and analyze quality assurance and accreditation policies and practices in Australia, the U.S. and several other countries in Europe and Asia to propose recommendations for Vietnam. Employing the method of document analysis, the study reviewed scholarly papers and scientific reports discussing the implementation of quality assurance and accreditation in many higher education systems across the world. The results showed that quality assurance and accreditation activities were diverse ranging from institutional accreditation to program accreditation, from voluntary to compulsory accreditation, and from fitness-for-purpose approaches to standard-based approaches. These findings were used to compare and contrast the emerging quality assurance and accreditation system of Vietnam and make recommendations for its future development.

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**Keywords:** Quality assurance, accreditation, higher education, emerging system [minimum 4 keywords and maximum 6 keywords]



## 1. INTRODUCTION [Titles of main section in 12-bold capital] [General text – 12]

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#### 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

## 2.1. Concepts of quality assurance and accreditation

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# 2.2. Processes of quality assurance and accreditation

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## 3. MATERIALS AND METHODS

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Table 1. Item-Total Statistics

Code number	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item-Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted
Q1	12.66	6.193	.447	.629
Q2	13.03	6.032	.491	.610
Q3	12.18	6.267	.376	.660
Q4	12.40	5.593	.479	.614
Q5	12.26	6.479	.400	.648



#### Four quality paradigms Empirical Measuring reality Reflective **Empirical** mproving care by using models & frameworks constructivism/ interpretivism epistemic planned unplanned certain fluency uncertain Professional(s) reflect on quality of care subiectivism Reference **Emergence** collective explores and o-creates new solutions pragmatism/ participatory research

Figure 1. The four quality paradigms

## 4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

## 5. CONCLUSION

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