Reviews on Quality Assurance in Higher Education after 2019
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Abstract:
This paper presents a concise review of research articles focusing on Quality Assurance (QA) in Higher Education post-2019. The review encompasses various aspects such as methodologies, frameworks, challenges, and advancements in ensuring educational quality. It synthesizes findings from diverse scholarly works, highlighting emerging trends and key insights. Through this review, we aim to provide a comprehensive overview of the evolving landscape of QA in higher education, identifying critical areas for further research and policy development.

Keywords:

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Abbas, J. (2020). Impact of total quality management on corporate sustainability through the mediating effect of knowledge management [1] investigates the interplay between Total Quality Management (TQM), knowledge management, and corporate sustainability. Through a rigorous empirical study, the paper unveils the mediating role of knowledge management in fostering corporate sustainability within the framework of TQM. By examining the relationships between these constructs, Abbas contributes valuable insights into organizational practices aimed at enhancing sustainability outcomes. The study underscores the importance of effective knowledge management strategies in leveraging TQM initiatives to achieve sustainable business practices. This research serves as a significant resource for organizations seeking to integrate quality management approaches with sustainability goals, emphasizing the pivotal role of knowledge management in this endeavor.

Asiyai, R. I. (2022). Best practices for quality assurance in higher education: implications for educational administration [2] delves into best practices for quality assurance in higher education and their implications for educational administration. Through a comprehensive exploration of existing literature and case studies, the paper identifies key strategies and approaches for enhancing quality assurance in academic settings. By emphasizing the role of educational administration in implementing these best practices, Asiyai contributes valuable insights into effective governance and management structures within higher education institutions. The paper serves as a valuable resource for educational administrators, policymakers, and stakeholders seeking to improve quality assurance processes and outcomes in higher education. Asiyai’s work underscores the importance of proactive administrative leadership in fostering a culture of quality and excellence within academic institutions.
Beerkens, M. (2020). Evidence-based policy and higher education quality assurance: progress, pitfalls and promise [3] critically examines the intersection of evidence-based policy and higher education quality assurance, offering insights into the progress made, pitfalls encountered, and promises ahead. Through a meticulous analysis, Beerkens highlights the complexities inherent in integrating evidence-based approaches into quality assurance frameworks within the higher education sector. By exploring both successes and challenges, the paper provides a nuanced understanding of the implementation of evidence-based policy in enhancing educational quality. Beerkens' work serves as a thought-provoking resource for policymakers, scholars, and practitioners involved in quality assurance initiatives, offering valuable perspectives on the potential benefits and limitations of evidence-based approaches in higher education governance and decision-making processes.

Eaton, J. S. (2020). Combatting academic corruption: Quality assurance and accreditation moving forward [4] contributes to the discourse on combatting academic corruption by focusing on the role of quality assurance and accreditation in advancing integrity within higher education. Drawing upon extensive expertise in the field, Eaton examines the challenges posed by academic corruption and proposes strategies for enhancing quality assurance mechanisms to address these issues effectively. By situating quality assurance within the broader context of combating corruption, the paper underscores the importance of accreditation processes in promoting transparency, accountability, and ethical practices in academia. Eaton's insights offer valuable guidance for policymakers, accrediting bodies, and institutional leaders seeking to bolster integrity and credibility in higher education systems worldwide. The paper serves as a timely call to action for collective efforts in safeguarding academic integrity and upholding the credibility of educational credentials.

Hauptman Komotar, M. (2020). Discourses on quality and quality assurance in higher education from the perspective of global university rankings [5] provides a thought-provoking analysis of discourses surrounding quality and quality assurance in higher education, particularly through the lens of global university rankings. By examining the intersection between quality assurance practices and the criteria used in ranking systems, the paper sheds light on the complexities inherent in assessing and benchmarking educational quality on a global scale. Hauptman Komotar's exploration offers valuable insights into the implications of ranking methodologies on quality assurance frameworks and institutional practices. The paper serves as a significant contribution to ongoing debates within the higher education community, prompting reflection on the role of rankings in shaping perceptions of quality and driving institutional priorities. It underscores the need for critical engagement with ranking systems to ensure they align with the diverse missions and goals of higher education institutions worldwide.

higher education. Through a detailed examination, the paper explores the relationship between ranking methodologies and quality assurance practices within the Chinese higher education context. Liu's analysis reveals nuanced insights into the strengths and limitations of disciplinary rankings as tools for assessing and improving educational quality. By scrutinizing the interplay between rankings and quality assurance mechanisms, the paper contributes to a deeper understanding of the complex dynamics shaping higher education assessment and evaluation processes. Liu's work prompts critical reflection on the role of rankings in fostering accountability, transparency, and continuous improvement within the Chinese higher education system, offering valuable implications for policymakers, educators, and stakeholders invested in quality assurance initiatives.

**Kayyali, M. (2023). The relationship between rankings and academic quality** [7] explores the intricate relationship between rankings and academic quality, offering insights into the dynamics shaping perceptions of educational excellence. Through a comprehensive analysis, the paper examines how rankings influence perceptions of academic quality and how academic quality, in turn, impacts rankings. Kayyali's study highlights the complexities inherent in quantifying and measuring academic quality within the context of ranking systems. By elucidating the interplay between rankings and academic quality, the paper contributes to a nuanced understanding of the factors influencing institutional reputation and performance assessment in higher education. Kayyali's work underscores the importance of critically evaluating the methodologies and criteria used in rankings to ensure they accurately reflect and promote educational excellence.

**Kayyali, M. (2020). Post COVID-19: New era for higher education systems** [8] explores the transformative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on higher education systems, heralding a new era of change and adaptation. Through a comprehensive analysis, the paper examines the multifaceted challenges and opportunities presented by the pandemic, ranging from shifts in teaching and learning modalities to the reevaluation of institutional priorities and practices. Kayyali's study underscores the need for innovative approaches to address the unprecedented disruptions faced by higher education institutions worldwide. By exploring the implications of COVID-19 on higher education systems, the paper provides valuable insights for policymakers, educators, and stakeholders navigating the evolving landscape of post-pandemic education. Kayyali's work serves as a timely reflection on the resilience and adaptability of higher education in the face of adversity, emphasizing the importance of strategic planning and collaboration to shape a more resilient future for academia.

**Kayyali, M. (2020). Pros and Cons of University Rankings** [9] offers a comprehensive examination of the pros and cons associated with university rankings. Through a balanced analysis, the paper explores the potential benefits and drawbacks of ranking systems in assessing and evaluating academic institutions. Kayyali's study delves into the various factors influencing rankings, including research output, faculty qualifications, student satisfaction, and institutional reputation. By critically evaluating the methodologies and criteria used in ranking systems, the paper sheds light on the complexities inherent in quantifying and comparing academic quality across diverse
institutions. Kayyali's work serves as a valuable resource for policymakers, educators, and stakeholders seeking to understand the implications of rankings on higher education systems, emphasizing the importance of a nuanced approach to evaluating institutional performance and promoting excellence in academia.

Kayyali, M. (2023). Importance of Rankings in Academia [10] elucidates the significance of rankings in academia, providing insights into their role in shaping institutional reputation and driving excellence. Through a concise analysis, the paper highlights the impact of rankings on various stakeholders within the academic community, including students, faculty, administrators, and policymakers. Kayyali's study underscores the influence of rankings on decision-making processes related to university admissions, funding allocations, and strategic planning. By emphasizing the importance of transparency and accountability in ranking methodologies, the paper encourages critical reflection on the utility and limitations of rankings as tools for assessing academic quality. Kayyali's work serves as a catalyst for discussions on the evolving role of rankings in academia, prompting stakeholders to consider their implications for institutional governance, competitiveness, and overall advancement in higher education.

Kayyali, M. (2022). University Rankings as a tool to fight Diploma Mills [11] examines the role of university rankings as a tool to combat diploma mills, addressing the growing concern over fraudulent and substandard educational institutions. Through a concise review, the paper explores how rankings can serve as indicators of institutional credibility and quality, helping to differentiate reputable universities from diploma mills. Kayyali's analysis underscores the potential of rankings to empower prospective students, employers, and policymakers in making informed decisions about educational credentials. By highlighting the importance of transparency and accountability in higher education, the paper advocates for the use of rankings as a mechanism to uphold academic standards and protect against fraudulent practices. Kayyali's work contributes to ongoing discussions on quality assurance in academia, emphasizing the role of rankings in safeguarding the integrity and credibility of educational credentials in a globalized context.

Kayyali, M. (2020). The rise of online learning and its worthiness during COVID-19 pandemic [12] explores the rise of online learning and its significance during the COVID-19 pandemic. Through a comprehensive analysis, the paper examines the adoption of online learning modalities as a response to the challenges posed by the pandemic. Kayyali's study delves into the effectiveness and worthiness of online learning in maintaining educational continuity, addressing accessibility barriers, and fostering resilience within higher education systems. By highlighting the opportunities and challenges associated with online learning, the paper offers insights into its potential to transform traditional educational paradigms and enhance learning outcomes. Kayyali's work serves as a timely reflection on the role of technology in shaping the future of education, emphasizing the importance of adaptive strategies to meet the evolving needs of learners in a digital age.
Kayyali, M. (2022). Equity, Equality, Diversity, and inclusion as Key Performance Indicators in Higher Education [13] examines equity, equality, diversity, and inclusion (EEDI) as crucial Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) in higher education. Through a succinct analysis, the paper explores the significance of EEDI metrics in assessing institutional performance and promoting social justice within academic settings. Kayyali’s study underscores the importance of incorporating EEDI considerations into strategic planning, policy development, and decision-making processes within higher education institutions. By emphasizing the role of EEDI as essential dimensions of quality and excellence in academia, the paper advocates for proactive measures to address disparities and foster inclusive learning environments. Kayyali’s work contributes to ongoing efforts to redefine success metrics in higher education, highlighting the imperative of prioritizing equity, equality, diversity, and inclusion as foundational principles for institutional advancement and societal impact.

Kayyali, M. (2021). Positive Impact of High Technology on Higher Education [14] delves into the positive impact of high technology on higher education. Through an insightful analysis, the paper explores how advancements in technology have revolutionized teaching, learning, and research in academic settings. Kayyali’s study highlights the transformative potential of high technology in enhancing accessibility, flexibility, and interactivity within educational environments. By examining various applications of technology, such as online learning platforms, virtual reality simulations, and data analytics tools, the paper elucidates the ways in which technology empowers educators and learners to engage with content more dynamically and effectively. Kayyali’s work serves as a compelling testament to the pivotal role of technology in shaping the future of higher education, emphasizing its capacity to drive innovation, improve educational outcomes, and expand opportunities for lifelong learning.

Kayyali, M. (2023). An Overview of Quality Assurance in Higher Education: Concepts and Frameworks [15] offers a comprehensive overview of quality assurance in higher education, elucidating key concepts and frameworks essential for understanding this critical aspect of academic governance. Through a concise analysis, the paper explores the foundational principles, methodologies, and institutional mechanisms that underpin quality assurance practices in higher education. Kayyali’s study delves into the significance of quality assurance in promoting educational excellence, ensuring accountability, and fostering continuous improvement within academic institutions. By examining various frameworks and approaches, the paper provides valuable insights into the complexities and challenges inherent in implementing effective quality assurance systems. Kayyali’s work serves as a foundational resource for educators, policymakers, and stakeholders seeking to navigate the dynamic landscape of quality assurance in higher education, emphasizing the importance of robust frameworks and proactive strategies in enhancing the quality and relevance of academic programs and services.

Kayyali, M. (2022). The Impact of using UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and 2030 Agenda as a Performance Indicator in University Ranking [16] investigates the impact of incorporating the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the 2030 Agenda as
performance indicators in university ranking systems. Through a critical review, the paper explores the potential implications of aligning university rankings with global sustainability targets. Kayyali’s analysis delves into the opportunities and challenges associated with integrating SDGs into ranking methodologies, highlighting the role of higher education institutions in advancing sustainable development. By examining the nexus between university rankings and sustainability goals, the paper offers insights into how such alignment can incentivize institutions to prioritize social responsibility, environmental stewardship, and ethical leadership. Kayyali's work contributes to ongoing discussions on the role of higher education in addressing global challenges, advocating for the integration of sustainability principles into ranking frameworks to promote holistic approaches to institutional performance assessment and societal impact.

Kayyali, M., & Khosla, A. (2021). Globalization and Internationalization: ISO 21001 as a Trigger and Prime Key for Quality Assurance of Higher Education Institutions. [17] explore the relationship between globalization, internationalization, and quality assurance in higher education institutions, with a focus on ISO 21001 standards. Through their collaborative research, the paper examines how ISO 21001 serves as a catalyst for ensuring quality in the context of globalized and internationalized education environments. By analyzing the principles and requirements outlined in ISO 21001, Kayyali and Khosla elucidate its significance as a prime key for enhancing educational quality, particularly in institutions operating across borders. Their study underscores the importance of adopting standardized approaches to quality assurance to maintain consistency and effectiveness in diverse educational settings. By advocating for the integration of ISO 21001 principles into higher education practices, the paper offers valuable insights for institutions seeking to navigate the complexities of globalization and internationalization while upholding high standards of educational quality.

Kayyali, M. (2022). Be the change: Universities Shaping the Future of the World. [18] articulates the transformative role of universities in shaping the future of the world. Through a reflective review, the paper explores how higher education institutions can serve as catalysts for positive change and societal progress. Kayyali emphasizes the importance of universities embracing innovation, sustainability, and inclusivity in their missions and operations. By examining the ways in which universities can contribute to addressing global challenges such as climate change, social inequality, and technological disruption, the paper underscores the potential for academia to drive meaningful impact and transformation on a global scale. Kayyali’s work serves as a call to action for universities to proactively engage with pressing societal issues and leverage their resources and expertise to create a more equitable, sustainable, and prosperous future for all.

Kayyali, M. (2024). Career Development in Higher Education: Best Practices and Innovations. [19] presents an insightful exploration of career development in higher education, focusing on best practices and innovations. Through a comprehensive examination, the paper delves into strategies and initiatives aimed at enhancing students' employability and career readiness within the higher education context. By analyzing innovative approaches such as experiential learning, career counseling, internships, and industry partnerships, Kayyali offers valuable insights into
effective practices for preparing students for successful transition into the workforce. The paper emphasizes the importance of aligning academic curricula with industry needs, fostering skills development, and promoting lifelong learning to ensure graduates are equipped for career success in an evolving job market. Kayyali’s work serves as a valuable resource for educators, career advisors, and policymakers seeking to enhance the career development opportunities available to students in higher education institutions.

Kayyali, M. (2023). Virtual Universities: An Overview & Trends [20] provides a comprehensive overview of virtual universities, examining current trends and developments in online education. Through a detailed analysis, the paper explores the emergence of virtual universities as innovative platforms for delivering higher education in digital environments. Kayyali delves into the evolution of virtual learning technologies, the expansion of online degree programs, and the growing popularity of Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs). The paper also highlights key trends shaping the landscape of virtual universities, including advancements in digital pedagogy, the integration of immersive technologies, and the rise of remote learning opportunities. Kayyali’s work serves as a valuable resource for educators, policymakers, and stakeholders interested in understanding the potential of virtual universities to transform the future of higher education.

Kayyali, M. (2022). Management of Higher Education Institutions: The Impact of ICT Based Good Governance, Entrepreneurship, and Quality Assurance on the Operation of Academic Institutions [21] investigates the management of higher education institutions, focusing on the impact of ICT-based good governance, entrepreneurship, and quality assurance on academic operations. Through a comprehensive analysis, the paper examines how Information and Communication Technology (ICT) tools facilitate effective governance practices, foster entrepreneurial initiatives, and enhance quality assurance processes within academic institutions. Kayyali delves into the role of digital platforms, data analytics, and communication technologies in streamlining administrative tasks, promoting innovation, and ensuring accountability in higher education management. By elucidating the interconnectedness of ICT, governance, entrepreneurship, and quality assurance, the paper offers valuable insights into strategies for optimizing academic operations and achieving organizational excellence. Kayyali’s work serves as a valuable resource for administrators, policymakers, and stakeholders seeking to leverage technology-driven approaches to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of higher education management.

Kayyali, M. (2024). Future Possibilities and Challenges of AI in Education [22] explores the future possibilities and challenges of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in education. Through an insightful analysis, the paper examines how AI technologies have the potential to revolutionize teaching and learning processes, curriculum design, and educational assessment. Kayyali delves into the applications of AI in personalized learning, adaptive tutoring, and intelligent content creation, highlighting the benefits of AI-driven approaches in enhancing student engagement, academic outcomes, and accessibility. However, the paper also acknowledges the ethical, social, and practical challenges associated with integrating AI into education, such as concerns about data
privacy, algorithmic bias, and the displacement of human educators. By offering a balanced perspective on the opportunities and risks of AI in education, Kayyali's work provides valuable insights for educators, policymakers, and stakeholders navigating the complexities of technology-enhanced learning environments.

Kayyali, M. (2023). Promoting Entrepreneurship and Innovation in Higher Education [23] delves into the promotion of entrepreneurship and innovation in higher education. Through a comprehensive analysis, the paper explores strategies and initiatives aimed at fostering an entrepreneurial mindset and culture within academic institutions. Kayyali examines the role of higher education in nurturing creativity, problem-solving skills, and risk-taking abilities among students and faculty members. By highlighting the importance of experiential learning, mentorship programs, and industry partnerships, the paper offers insights into effective practices for cultivating an entrepreneurial ecosystem on campus. Kayyali's work underscores the significance of entrepreneurship and innovation in driving economic growth, job creation, and societal impact. It serves as a valuable resource for educators, policymakers, and stakeholders seeking to harness the potential of higher education as a catalyst for entrepreneurial success and sustainable development.

Kayyali, M. (2023). The Evolution of Quality Assurance Systems in Higher Education [24] traces the evolution of quality assurance systems in higher education. Through a comprehensive analysis, the paper explores the historical development and transformation of quality assurance practices within academic institutions. Kayyali examines key milestones, trends, and challenges shaping the evolution of quality assurance systems over time, highlighting shifts in paradigms, methodologies, and regulatory frameworks. By elucidating the changing landscape of quality assurance in higher education, the paper offers insights into the factors driving innovation and continuous improvement in academic quality management. Kayyali's work serves as a valuable resource for policymakers, administrators, and stakeholders seeking to understand the dynamics of quality assurance in higher education and adapt to emerging trends and best practices.

Kayyali, M. (2023). The Use of Rankings in Accreditation Processes [25] investigates the utilization of rankings in accreditation processes within the realm of quality management. Through an in-depth examination, the paper explores the interplay between ranking systems and accreditation criteria, shedding light on how rankings influence accreditation decisions and outcomes. Kayyali delves into the benefits and challenges associated with incorporating rankings into accreditation processes, considering factors such as transparency, credibility, and alignment with accreditation standards. By analyzing case studies and empirical research, the paper provides insights into the implications of using rankings as evaluation tools in accreditation assessments. Kayyali's work contributes to the ongoing discourse on quality management in higher education, offering valuable perspectives on the potential synergies and tensions between rankings and accreditation frameworks.
Kayyali, M. (2022). Universities of the Future: HEIs that are Oriented to Accreditation, Quality Assurance, Research, and Ranking [26] delves into the concept of "Universities of the Future," focusing on higher education institutions (HEIs) oriented towards accreditation, quality assurance, research, and ranking. Through a forward-looking analysis, the paper explores the characteristics and strategies of HEIs that prioritize these key pillars of academic excellence. Kayyali examines how such institutions integrate accreditation standards, quality assurance mechanisms, robust research agendas, and strategic positioning in global rankings to enhance their reputation and competitiveness. By emphasizing the importance of aligning institutional goals with external benchmarks and stakeholder expectations, the paper offers insights into the evolving landscape of higher education in the digital age. Kayyali’s work serves as a roadmap for HEIs seeking to adapt and thrive in an increasingly competitive and dynamic educational environment, highlighting the importance of strategic foresight, innovation, and continuous improvement in shaping the universities of tomorrow.

Kayyali, M. (2023). Big Data in Management: How Big Data Changes Business Management around the World [27] explores the transformative impact of Big Data on management practices worldwide, particularly within the realm of business management. Through a comprehensive analysis, the paper delves into how Big Data analytics revolutionizes decision-making processes, strategic planning, and operational efficiency across diverse industries and sectors. Kayyali examines the applications of Big Data in areas such as marketing, supply chain management, finance, and human resources, highlighting the opportunities and challenges associated with harnessing large-scale data for managerial purposes. By elucidating the potential of Big Data to drive innovation, competitiveness, and sustainable growth, the paper offers valuable insights for business leaders, policymakers, and researchers navigating the complexities of data-driven management in the digital era. Kayyali’s work serves as a catalyst for discussions on the implications of Big Data for business informatics and the broader landscape of AI-powered intelligent systems in contemporary management practices.

Kayyali, M. (2022). Quality Assurance and the Recognition of Non-formal and Informal Learning [28] explores the intersection of quality assurance and the recognition of non-formal and informal learning within higher education. Through a concise analysis, the paper examines the challenges and opportunities associated with incorporating non-traditional learning experiences into quality assurance frameworks. Kayyali delves into the importance of recognizing the diverse pathways through which individuals acquire knowledge and skills outside of formal educational settings. By highlighting the potential benefits of acknowledging non-formal and informal learning for enhancing inclusivity, accessibility, and lifelong learning opportunities, the paper offers insights into strategies for integrating these experiences into quality assurance practices. Kayyali’s work contributes to ongoing discussions on the evolving nature of higher education and the need for flexible and inclusive approaches to assessing and validating learning outcomes in diverse contexts.
Kayyali, M. (2022). Addressing Academic Freedom Challenges in Higher Education [29] addresses the challenges surrounding academic freedom in higher education. Through a succinct examination, the paper delves into the complexities and controversies surrounding the concept of academic freedom, particularly in the context of evolving societal norms, political pressures, and technological advancements. Kayyali highlights the importance of safeguarding academic freedom as a fundamental principle essential for fostering critical inquiry, intellectual diversity, and innovation within higher education institutions. By identifying key challenges and proposing strategies for addressing them, the paper offers insights into how universities can uphold academic freedom while navigating competing interests and maintaining institutional integrity. Kayyali's work serves as a timely reminder of the importance of protecting academic autonomy and free expression in ensuring the vitality and relevance of higher education in today's rapidly changing world.

Kayyali, M. (2023). Critiques and Limitations of University Rankings [30] critically examines the critiques and limitations associated with university rankings. Through a comprehensive analysis, the paper delves into the various factors that challenge the validity, reliability, and usefulness of ranking systems in assessing academic institutions. Kayyali explores issues such as methodological biases, oversimplification of complex factors, and the impact of rankings on institutional behavior and priorities. By highlighting the unintended consequences and potential drawbacks of relying solely on rankings as measures of academic quality and prestige, the paper offers insights into the need for a more nuanced and holistic approach to evaluating universities. Kayyali's work contributes to ongoing discussions on the role of rankings in higher education governance and policy-making, prompting stakeholders to critically evaluate their utility and implications for institutional accountability and improvement.

Kayyali, M. (2022). The Importance of Faculty Development in Higher Education [31] underscores the significance of faculty development in higher education. Through a nuanced exploration, the paper highlights the pivotal role that faculty play in shaping the academic experience and outcomes of students. Kayyali examines the importance of ongoing professional development opportunities for faculty members to enhance their teaching effectiveness, research productivity, and leadership capabilities. By emphasizing the benefits of investing in faculty development programs, the paper offers insights into how institutions can cultivate a culture of continuous improvement and excellence in teaching and learning. Kayyali's work serves as a call to action for higher education leaders and policymakers to prioritize faculty development as a strategic imperative for advancing institutional goals and enhancing the quality of higher education.

Koutselini, M. (2020). Quality assurance of e-learning within higher education: The philosophical and operational framework. Academia [32] delves into the quality assurance of e-learning within higher education, presenting a philosophical and operational framework for ensuring excellence in online education. Through a comprehensive analysis, the paper explores the theoretical underpinnings and practical considerations necessary for effective quality
assurance in e-learning environments. Koutselini examines key principles, methodologies, and best practices for evaluating and improving the quality of online courses and programs. By addressing both philosophical perspectives and operational strategies, the paper offers valuable insights into the complex dynamics of quality assurance in the digital learning landscape. Koutselini’s work serves as a valuable resource for educators, administrators, and policymakers seeking to enhance the quality and effectiveness of e-learning initiatives within higher education institutions.

Naylor, R., Dollinger, M., Mahat, M., & Khawaja, M. (2021). Students as customers versus as active agents: Conceptualising the student role in governance and quality assurance [33] critically examine the conceptualization of students' roles in governance and quality assurance within higher education. Through a conceptual framework, the paper contrasts the traditional view of students as customers with the emerging perspective of students as active agents in shaping their educational experiences. The authors explore the implications of these contrasting views for institutional governance structures, decision-making processes, and quality assurance mechanisms. By highlighting the complexities and tensions inherent in defining the student role, the paper offers insights into the evolving dynamics of student engagement and participation in higher education governance. Naylor et al.'s work contributes to ongoing discussions on student-centered approaches to quality assurance and underscores the importance of empowering students as partners in shaping the future of higher education.

Nyamwesa, A. M., Magambo, E. F., & Onyango, D. O. (2022). Impact of external quality assurance practices on higher education institutions in Tanzania: A review paper [34] conduct a review paper exploring the impact of external quality assurance practices on higher education institutions in Tanzania. Through a thorough examination, the paper analyzes the effects of external quality assurance mechanisms, such as accreditation, audits, and evaluations, on the overall quality and performance of higher education institutions in the Tanzanian context. The authors investigate how these practices influence institutional policies, practices, and outcomes, as well as their implications for stakeholders, including students, faculty, administrators, and policymakers. By synthesizing existing literature and empirical evidence, the paper provides valuable insights into the challenges, successes, and areas for improvement in external quality assurance practices within the Tanzanian higher education system. Nyamwesa, Magambo, and Onyango's work serves as a significant contribution to the ongoing discourse on quality assurance in higher education and informs future research and policy development efforts in Tanzania and beyond.

Seyfried, M., & Pohlenz, P. (2020). Assessing quality assurance in higher education: quality managers’ perceptions of effectiveness [35] contribute to the evaluation of quality assurance in higher education by examining quality managers' perceptions of effectiveness. Their chapter in "Impact Evaluation of Quality Management in Higher Education" provides valuable insights into how quality managers perceive the effectiveness of quality assurance practices within academic institutions. Through interviews, surveys, or other research methods, the authors investigate
quality managers' perspectives on the strengths, weaknesses, challenges, and opportunities associated with quality assurance initiatives. By focusing on the viewpoints of these key stakeholders, Seyfried and Pohlenz shed light on the complexities of implementing and assessing quality management systems in higher education settings. Their work offers valuable implications for improving quality assurance processes and enhancing overall quality management practices within higher education institutions.

Conclusion:
In conclusion, the review underscores the dynamic nature of Quality Assurance (QA) in Higher Education since 2019, reflecting an ongoing evolution to meet the demands of a changing educational landscape. Through the synthesis of diverse research findings, this paper has shed light on the multifaceted approaches, challenges, and advancements in ensuring educational quality. While significant progress has been made, there remain areas requiring further exploration and refinement. Moving forward, it is imperative for stakeholders to continue collaborative efforts in enhancing QA practices, leveraging emerging technologies, and fostering a culture of continuous improvement to meet the evolving needs of students and society.

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