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Abstract

A literature review is an essential component of academic research because it provides a systematic understanding of existing knowledge, identifies research gaps, establishes theoretical foundations, and helps researchers position their studies within a broader scholarly context. However, conducting an effective literature review involves several significant challenges. Researchers often face difficulties in identifying relevant and reliable sources, managing a large volume of published literature, evaluating the quality and credibility of information, and synthesizing findings from diverse studies. Limited access to scholarly databases, time constraints, inadequate research skills, and difficulties in distinguishing significant studies from less relevant materials can further complicate the process. Another major challenge is maintaining objectivity while interpreting different perspectives and presenting previous research in a coherent and critical manner. The rapid growth of digital publications and emerging research also requires researchers to continuously update their knowledge and adopt appropriate methods for organizing and analyzing sources. This paper examines the essential challenges involved in conducting a literature review and highlights their implications for the quality of academic research. It emphasizes the importance of systematic searching, critical evaluation, effective organization, proper citation practices, and analytical synthesis. Addressing these challenges can enable researchers to develop comprehensive, focused, and academically rigorous literature reviews that contribute meaningfully to new research.

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