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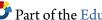
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The Impact of a Flipped Classroom Compared to Lecture-Based Teaching on Achieving Course Outcomes

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Statement of Problem

Background

- Passive Learning is based on lecturing while Active Learning involves student participation.¹
- Team-Based Learning (TBL) uses a small-group structure as a method of active learning to engage students.²
- Flipped classroom is a form of active learning that requires student preparation prior to class and an assessment at the beginning of class.³
- This project examines the effect of the change from a hybrid model of passive learning with TBL to a flipped classroom model on course outcomes in a Medicinal Biochemistry class taught at the Cedarville University School of Pharmacy. Significance of the Problem
- To address the gap in research concerning the efficacy of complete active learning with a flipped classroom compared to a hybrid of active and passive learning.

Objectives and Hypotheses

To determine the efficacy of flipped classroom with TBL on the learning outcomes of students in a graduate level biochemistry course.

- H_{\circ} The implementation of flipped classroom with TBL will not have an effect on student performance on course objectives in a graduate level biochemistry course.
- H_a The implementation of flipped classroom with TBL will have an effect on student performance on course objectives in a graduate level biochemistry course.

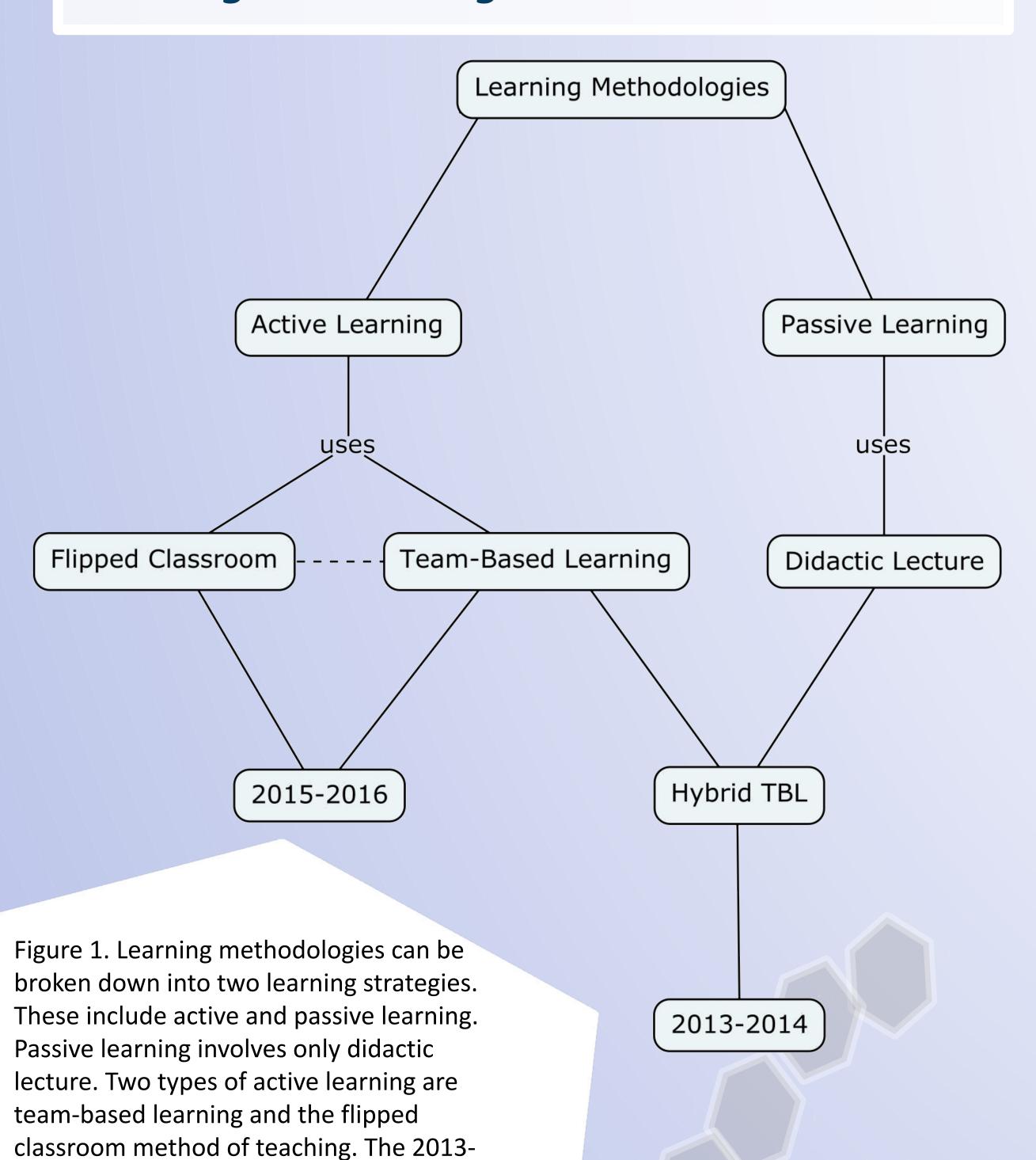
Methods

- Study Design
 - Case control Control group is passive learning cohort and the case cohort undergoes active learning via flipped classroom
 - Alpha=0.05
- Sample
 - Medicinal Biochemistry students fall of 2013-2016
 - 48 students in 2013
 - 35 students in 2014
 - 41 students in 2015
 - ~50 students in 2016
- Data Collection and Storage
 - Data entered into SPSS Statistics and Microsoft Excel spreadsheets
 - Survey development and administration via Qualtrics
- Measurement
 - SPSS will be used for calculations
 - Utilize a survey to assess demographic information for each student

Survey

- Sent to all students via email
- Developed by the investigators to assess correlations or identify confounding factors in the findings from the exam score data

Learning Methodologies Flowchart



2014 cohorts of students learned by a

hybrid of didactic lecture and TBL. The

2015-2016 cohorts of students learned

TBL and flipped classroom.

using both types of active learning, both

Survey Questions

Did you complete your undergraduate studies at Cedarville?

What was your overall undergraduate GPA?

What is your gender?

How old were you when you took biochemistry?

What was your average overall grade in Organic Chemistry I and II?

Are you a procrastinator?

Do you prefer active learning or passive learning? Please explain.

Which program were you enrolled in when you took Medicinal Biochemistry?

Medicinal Biochemistry?

Do you prefer paper-based or electronic testing?

Future Direction and Timeline

Implementation of flipped classroom in multiple classes simultaneously would be recommended to determine efficacy on a broad scale

Winter 2015

Survey development

Spring 2016

- IRB approval
- Survey distribution

Winter 2016

ends

Spring 2017

Analysis and conclusions completed

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Analysis

- Independent t-test to compare mean results between the combined 2013 and 2014 class versus the combined 2015 and 2016 class
- One-way ANOVA to compare 4 classes: 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016
- Two-way ANOVA for comparison of multiple factors for mean differences among the dependent variable (exam and assessment scores)
- ANCOVA to study the independent variable with and without covariates
- Descriptive statistics will be used to easily sort, organize, and filter exam and RAT results based on survey answers. This allows for flexibility in isolating different factors that are also contributing to the findings of the study

Limitations

Point Biserial – some questions were removed Exam 2 from 2015 class – confounding due to aberrant testing conditions

Exam style – change in exam medium from paperbased to electronic using ExamN program

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