

Navigating the Landscape of Educational Scholarship

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Overview

In academic medicine, teaching as a scholarly function of the professorate historically has not been considered enough for promotion and tenure. Fortunately, the terrain for health professions educators in academe is becoming more easily traveled. Boyer's "Scholarship Reconsidered: Priorities of the Professoriate" has generated dialogues regarding the "roles, expectations, recognition, and academic advancement" for the faculty heavily invested in teaching (GEA Consensus Conference, February 2006). The purpose of this Education Grand Rounds session is to provide educators with a framework for mapping a route through this new terrain.

Learning Objectives

At the completion of this presentation, participants will be able to:

- Characterize educational scholarship.
- Discuss frameworks for assessing the quality of educational scholarship and providing a systematic approach to presenting your work.
- Formulate a scholarly educational question to investigate.
- Identify opportunities to "educate" members of the Promotion and Tenure committee to help them more easily recognize and reward educational scholarship.

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