The Influence of Format for Case Response on Student Thinking
Friday, September 15, 2006 with Dr. Melissa S. Medina, Ed.D.

The purpose of this Education Grand Rounds session is to provide educators with an example of educational research to serve as a model for faculty considering conducting educational research projects. Discussion of the specific steps for the development and completion of an educational research study will be framed through the lens of a specific study that explored the use of cases in instruction.

Learning Objectives

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

- Reflect on teaching experiences and observations that could lead to creation of an educational research question and study
- Review the development a specific educational research idea and study that focused on the use of cases in instruction
- List specific steps for starting and completing an educational research project.
- Identify the elements of a well designed educational research study

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