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USE OF HISTORICAL METHODS IN EDUCATION RESEARCH

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ABSTRACT

Organisational studies have been using historical methods for a long time. Although in educational research, there are several organizational or community-based studies, there is a lack of use in historical approach. A researcher looks into environmental actors which are new to the environment and complex events are analyzed through historical studies. Thereby, researchers will analyze certain environmental actors and deduce assumptions, eventually leading to some specific interpretations. Since educational pedagogies can be affected by the cultural and situational factors, it is quite important that the researcher looks into the issues in a historical perspective as well along with contemporary factors. There are various studies conducted which had explained the need and relevance, however, the practical applications have been scarce in the field of Education. In the following article, researchers would like to provide a literature analysis of the use and process of historical methods, historical sources. Interpretations history and the steps involved in the historical research are also explained in detail.

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