Thematic Summary of Student Reviewer Reflections 2023-2024

How would you describe your recent experience as a student reviewer? What role did you play? What questions did you ask?

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Drawing from your student experience at Western, as well as this recent experience as a student reviewer, what program features and/or factors are most impactful on student learning?

From their collective experiences, the broad areas identified by student reviewers as most impactful on student learning are:

- **Quality of Teaching:** engaged and passionate professors, who care about both the subject matter and their students, positively impact student learning experiences.
- **Relevance and Diversity in Curriculum**: programs that integrate contemporary issues and diverse perspectives into their curriculum were noted as beneficial for student engagement and preparedness.
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- Student Support: Access to academic counselling, supportive services, and clear communication channels were identified as essential for student satisfaction and success.

What do you feel are the best ways to engage students in continuous program enhancement? Student reviewers provided insightful recommendations for continuous program enhancement:

- **Regular Student Engagement:** encouraging regular feedback from students through surveys, focus groups, and ongoing consultations to inform program improvements.
- **Transparency and Communication:** enhancing transparency in program changes and involving students in decision-making processes.
- Integration of Student Feedback: actively using student feedback to shape curriculum, improve teaching methods, and enhance overall program quality.

Other Comments

- Western University continues to prioritize student engagement in program reviews through structured feedback mechanisms.
- Continue efforts to enhance teaching quality, support services, and program relevance to optimize student learning outcomes.
- Actively promote and expand opportunities for student reviewers to participate in cyclical and ongoing program reviews.

A Few Excerpts:

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