

Motivation of University Professors in Medical Programs And Its Relationship To Scientific Production

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ABSTRACT

The overall objective of this study was to analyze the relationship between the motivation of university professors in the Medicine Program at the Universidad Nacional Experimental de los Llanos Centrales Rómulo Gallegos (UNERG) and scientific production. The research was conducted under the positivist paradigm and used a quantitative, documentary approach with a monographic design, employing reading, analysis, and interpretation of information as techniques and instruments for data collection. As a result, the study reveals that the Universidad Nacional Experimental de los Llanos Centrales Rómulo Gallegos has a regulatory framework that promotes research, but the Center for Studies and Research in Health Sciences (CEICSURG) of the Medicine Program is inactive, limiting methodological advice to teachers. In addition, the absence of the scientific journal IATRION and the lack of policies recognizing research work restrict scientific production. Faculty motivation, influenced by recognition, professional development, and working conditions, is key to promoting research. It is recommended to reactivate CEICSURG, resume publication of IATRION, and implement research incentive policies and faculty professional development programs.

Descriptors: Motivation, University professor, Medicine, Scientific production.

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