

# Review of: "Between Avoidance and the Need to Learn: Emerging Dynamics in the First Weeks of Classes in Higher Education in Angola"

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I congratulate the authors for this work, which is written clearly and in very good English.

However, I consider that it should be improved in the following aspects:

1. Part of the bibliography is old and not always relevant.
2. The objective of the study must be clearly stated before the methodology
3. Figure 1 is very confusing, repetitive and not esthetically pleasing.
4. The Data Analysis chapter should be right after the Data Collection chapter.
5. As the results are poor, combining the Presentation and Discussion of the Results in a single chapter would give more consistency to the article.
6. Finally, I do not believe that absence in the first week of classes should take up so much space in this study, since most universities dedicate it to student integration activities. It is not normal for teachers to teach in the first week and, therefore, it is normal for students, in more advanced years, not to attend at the beginning. It is no longer new to them, so their enthusiasm is no longer the same as that of first-year students.