# Inclusive Education, Emotional Profiling and Empathy of Learners Towards Understanding Barriers and Promoting Strategic Teaching Adaptation

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## ABSTRACT:

This study analyzes the crucial role of emotional profiling and empathy in informing strategic teaching adaptations that enhance student learning outcomes. By assessing the emotional conditions of students, teachers can adjust their instructional strategies to more effectively address both emotional and academic needs. The research underscores the importance of recognizing the emotional dimension of learning, emphasizing that emotional well-being is a key driver of motivation, participation, and academic success. Additionally, the study identifies effective empathy-based teaching strategies, such as active listening, emotional check-ins, and the integration of social-emotional learning, which contribute to a more inclusive and supportive classroom environment. The findings indicate a strong association between emotional profiling and empathy in educational contexts, suggesting these practices should be integrated into teacher preparation programs and daily instructional methods. This research contributes to the fields of environmental and social psychology by demonstrating how emotional intelligence and empathetic engagement can positively influence experiences and outcomes in inclusive education, especially by addressing emotional barriers to learning.

Keywords: Emotional profiling, empathy, strategic teaching adaptation, inclusive education, learning barriers, student engagement, educational psychology

**Introduction**

Inclusive education emphasizes the right of all learners, regardless of ability, background, or circumstance, to access quality education in a supportive and responsive environment. Within this paradigm, the capability to assess learners' emotional states becomes not only a diagnostic instrument but also a foundation for implementing strategic teaching adaptations that break down participation barriers and promote equitable learning outcomes (Pekrun et al., 2017). As articulated by influential thinkers and leaders, empathy remains a crucial force for social cohesion, and in education, it serves as a transformative agent that fosters inclusivity. In developmental psychology and neuroscience, empathy is linked to cognitive growth and moral development (Carlozzi, Gaa, & Liberman, 1983; Ruby & Decety, 2004), while its absence is associated with serious emotional and behavioral dysfunctions (Blair, 1995).

Research underscores that learners' emotional conditions significantly affect their engagement, learning experiences, and academic performance (Pekrun et al., 2017; Schunk & Zimmerman, 2008). Emotional profiling, the systematic assessment of learners' emotional responses and characteristics, enables educators to understand and respond to these emotional contexts (Nussbaum, 2015). Concern has grown about how students' emotional well-being impacts their relationships and academic performance (Jones et al., 2019). The backdrop of increasing mental health issues among students, exacerbated by factors such as social isolation and academic pressure, demands more inclusive, emotionally attuned teaching practices (Smith & Doe, 2020).

In many educational environments, especially in developing countries, educators frequently lack the required training to effectively handle these emotional aspects. This shortcoming not only disrupts the learning journey but also reinforces a cycle of disengagement and diminished academic performance (Williams, 2021). While emotional intelligence is acknowledged as a key element in education, there is still a considerable gap in understanding how emotional profiling and empathy can be systematically integrated into teaching practices to create inclusive, adaptive learning environments (Schutte et al., 2001). This study intends to evaluate the relationship between emotional empathy and psychological resilience among public school teachers, with the broader aim of promoting inclusive education by identifying and addressing emotional barriers that impact learner participation and engagement (Garcia, 2024).

In order to bridge the gap between successful teaching methods and emotional comprehension, this study will investigate several empathy techniques that can be applied to support emotionally vulnerable learners (Hoffman, 2000). This analysis aims to address fundamental questions regarding the need for emotional profiling in educational settings. Determining whether emotional profiling is crucial for effective teaching can clarify the avenues through which educators can improve their instructional methods. This inquiry seeks to pinpoint empathy teaching techniques shaped by learners' emotional profiles. Empathy, when grounded in an understanding of learners' emotional landscapes, can greatly improve the learning experience (Hoffman, 2000). Grounded in theoretical perspectives and practical examples, the study presents a strategic framework for addressing emotional diversity in education, particularly in regions like Zamboanga City, where sociocultural complexity heightens the need for empathy and inclusion (Local Education Authority, 2023).

Globally, educational systems are emphasizing more and more how important socio-emotional learning is to inclusive academic performance (OECD, 2018). In order to motivate students to participate in their education, literary studies researchers have sought to investigate the effects of emotional intelligence on both educators and learners (Halimi et al., 2020; Ishak et al., 2010). Effective emotional intelligence application has been shown to have a positive impact on instruction (Khassawneh et al., 2022). Teachers who are emotionally intelligent are often more attuned to learners' needs, able to maintain positive relationships, and capable of modifying instruction to accommodate different emotional profiles

(Urhahne & Wijnia, 2021; Husk & Lewis, 2023). Such responsiveness contributes to building inclusive classrooms where diverse learners feel heard, supported, and empowered.

This study, therefore, contributes to inclusive education and educational psychology by linking emotional understanding to pedagogical strategy. It aims to support teachers in creating responsive and equitable learning environments by demonstrating how empathy and emotional profiling can address both visible and invisible learning barriers. Through this inquiry, we hope to illuminate a path toward more inclusive, emotionally intelligent, and adaptive education systems.

**Literature Review**

The comprehensive evaluation of learners' emotional states, which has a significant influence on their educational experiences, is known as emotional profiling. According to emotional intelligence, better educational outcomes can arise from the ability to identify and control emotions (Goleman, 1995). The tremendous impact of empathy on enhancing student learning is well acknowledged in educational research (Meyers et al., 2019); sympathetic tutors have been demonstrated to increase learner involvement (Cardoso et al., 2011) and encourage self-regulated learners (Young, 2005). Tutors who possess empathy are typically those who are aware of the intricacies of the world beyond educational environments and are thus better equipped to prepare learners for their post-graduation lives (Barton & Garvis, 2019; Aronson, 2002; Aronson et al., 1978). Empathy facilitates narrative imagining, which allows an individual, as a problem-solver, to gain a more comprehensive understanding of the issue at hand, how the participants are likely to feel, and then how to develop effective solutions (Franzese, 2017). This is particularly relevant in inclusive education settings where understanding each learner's context helps dismantle subtle emotional barriers to engagement. Emotional empathy refers to the capacity to comprehend and feel another person's emotions. It involves losing oneself in the emotions of another and experiencing their mood as if it were one's own. Emotional contagion is the term used to describe the transfer of emotions from one individual to another through nonverbal cues such as body language, tone of voice, and facial expressions. According to Garcia and Dalawampu (2024), interpersonal sensitivity is the capacity to acutely sense and understand the feelings of others in social situations. Affective empathy is about sharing feelings, but cognitive empathy is about comprehending other people's perspectives (Davis, 1994). For teachers working with diverse learners, these capacities can help address emotional barriers that may otherwise go unnoticed. For teachers to successfully adapt their teaching strategies, differentiation is crucial. Enhancing student learning experiences through more effective teaching modifications is the outcome of integrating emotional awareness into curricula (Nussbaum, 2010). When done well, such modifications contribute to inclusive and supportive classrooms that benefit all types of learners.

*Emotional profiling and psychological approaches in education.* Assessing learners' emotional responses and behaviors, which have a significant influence on their educational experiences, is known as emotional profiling. Understanding the emotional dynamics in the classroom can help teachers create a more positive learning environment (Brackett et al., 2019). Empathy, a crucial element of emotional intelligence, influences learners' social interactions and involvement in the learning process. Empathy promotes positive peer relationships and boosts collaboration, both of which are vital for academic achievement (Decety & Jackson, 2004). In contrast, learners with limited empathy might encounter difficulties that hinder their learning (Eisenberg & Spinrad, 2004). By knowing the emotional profiles and empathy levels of their learners, teachers can consciously modify their teaching strategies to better meet their varied requirements. Examples of this include social-emotional learning initiatives, differentiated instruction, and the development of classroom settings that put learners' emotional health first (Durlak et al., 2011). These efforts align with the vision of inclusive education promoted by UNESCO (2017), which calls for responsive and equitable learning environments.

*Determine the needs of individualized engagement and emotional needs.* Effective teaching now includes the understanding of the emotional needs of learners. Emotional profiling and empathy help to create a motivational environment that fosters learning and academic achievement. A more appropriate instructional method, hence creating a better learning experience and serving individual educational needs, will result from intentional adaptation based on the emotional profiles of their learners. The process of evaluating a learner's emotional state, preference, and reaction during the different learning scenarios is termed as emotional profiling. It has been proven that in learning outcomes and processes of learners, emotional aspects contribute considerably (Pekrun et al., 2011). For example, anxious learners or disengaged ones can hardly focus and remain in academic performance. On the other hand, individuals are more likely to have a deep engagement with the content if they experience happy emotions like joy and interest (Fredrickson, 2001). Teachers with empathy are more likely to connect with their learners, understand their emotional needs, and solve their problems effectively (Decety & Jackson, 2004). It has been shown that empathetic teachers have a huge impact on the emotional well-being of learners and their academic performance (Rogers, 2016). Active listening to learners and feelings they have will help teachers make them feel comfortable while learning, appreciated, and acknowledged in a safe setting.

*Learners' non-verbal signals and understanding when a learner shows overconfidence or overzealousness.* Non-verbal communication comprises many behaviors like facial expressions, body language, posture, and eye contact. It has been proved that non-verbal signals can highly influence interpersonal interactions and express feelings that may not be verbalized (Burgoon et al., 2016). For instance, if a learner exhibits excessive self-confidence, such as sitting back in their seat with arms crossed or dominating the class discussion, it may suggest an alteration in the learning behavior of that learner. Observing such cues can help teachers ascertain the right time to change when a learner's apparent overconfidence is hiding actual miscomprehension or poor preparation. For a better recognition and response towards the emotional need of learners, Decety and Jackson (2004) support empathetic teachers. For example, in case of overly confident behaviour, the empathetic educator may raise thought-provoking questions, ensuring that the exercise helps to reach deeper understanding within the learner. In other words, if a learner is overzealous, then the instructor can praise that enthusiasm, but at the same time, encourage them to wait and learn through cooperative efforts. Intentional teaching modification through emotional profiling and decoding of non-verbal signals means tailoring instruction methods according to the learners' emotional states.

*Promoting self-care and mental health awareness, as well as active listening and empathy.* Teachers would be able to better understand their learners' emotional needs and respond appropriately if they practiced active listening and promoted self-care and mental health awareness. One component of empathetic interaction is active listening. It entails paying close attention, comprehending, reacting, and retaining what a learner says (Bodie, 2011). Learners' ideas and emotions are important, and this helps the teacher establish a deeper connection with them. Research has indicated that learners' mental health and even their academic performance improve when they feel heard and understood (Rogers, 2016). Teachers who use empathy as a practice create a warm learning environment that encourages openness in communication and expression of feelings (Decety & Jackson, 2004). By encouraging self-care and education about mental health, teaching is provided to establish supportive learning environments and promote the resilience of emotionally at-risk learners.

*Understanding differences and the formation of relationships and rapport.* Emotional profiling and empathic understanding provide the necessary perspectives for teachers to understand and respond to the unique needs and requirements of each learner in terms of their emotionality and learning. Understanding these aspects enables teachers to create a more harmonious classroom environment that promotes ideal learning outcomes. Individual

differences need to be acknowledged to ensure tailor-made education to take care of different needs within the classroom. Every learner comes into the classroom with a different set of experiences, backgrounds, and emotional conditions that have an influence on their learning styles and preferences (Tomlinson, 2001). Studies indicate that recognition of these differences leads to an increase in learner motivation and engagement (Dweck, 2016). Establishing rapport and trust between the teacher and the learners is just as essential as creating an encouraging learning environment. Since it creates candid communication and a sense of security, trust is an important aspect of the teacher–learner interaction (Bryk & Schneider, 2002). Learners are likely to share their opinions and feelings when they trust their teachers, which may result in higher levels of engagement and academic success

*Learner academic readiness and innate motivation, and instructors that focus on emotional profiling often establish a more empathetic environment.* When merged with empathy, emotional profiling allows educators to be in a better position to assist in the learning needs of their learners and establish a much more interactive classroom environment. When these factors are brought together, educators can execute strategic changes that result in better learner outcomes. Academic preparedness is the extent to which learners are adequately equipped with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes that are required to be successful in their learning. Learners come into the classroom at different levels of preparedness, influenced by a range of factors, including previous educational experiences, socio-economic statuses, and personal circumstances (Zins et al., 2004). Studies show that learners who perceive themselves as academically ready are more likely to engage in their learning and exhibit higher levels of intrinsic motivation (Schunk & Zimmerman, 2008). Therefore, teachers need to assess and understand their learners' readiness in order to create a supportive learning environment that promotes development. Intrinsic motivation refers to the internal motivation that drives learners to learn for its own sake, not for extrinsic rewards (Deci & Ryan, 2000). Additionally, the creation of a classroom environment that focuses on emotional awareness and self-reflection can also enhance both academic preparedness and intrinsic motivation. Using methodologies of goal-setting, self-evaluation and reflective exercises, teachers help learners stay fully invested in the learning process.

This study aims to shed light on the importance of empathy and emotional profiling in teaching adaptability. Teachers can create more adaptable and successful teaching methods by knowing students' emotional landscapes and empathic abilities. In addition to raising student success and engagement, this alignment promotes a healthy classroom culture that prioritizes emotional health, which eventually results in a more productive and encouraging learning environment.

**Methodology**

This study aims to investigate the complex connection among students' emotional characteristics, their degrees of empathy, and the resulting modifications in instructional approaches.

Research Designs

This study utilizes a qualitative exploratory research design to attain a thorough comprehension of learners' emotional profiles and levels of empathy. The qualitative component includes interviews and focus groups aimed at investigating learners' personal experiences and perceptions concerning their emotional conditions and empathy within educational settings, particularly in relation to identifying learning barriers and informing inclusive and adaptive teaching practices.

The exploratory design facilitates in-depth analysis and insight into the participants' experiences (Reyes and Tongkoh and Chavez, 2023). Exploratory research is characterized as a type of research conducted to examine a problem that is not well-defined. It is performed to gain a clearer understanding of the existing research issue, although it will not yield definitive results. In this type of research, a researcher begins with a broad idea and employs this research as a means to identify issues that may serve as focal points for future research (Bhat, 2024). In this case, the approach supports an inclusive education lens by allowing the researcher to uncover emotional and interpersonal

dynamics that may affect learner participation and teaching effectiveness

Sampling and Participants

This study utilizes a purposive sampling technique to select participants from various educational backgrounds, particularly at the secondary and tertiary levels, ensuring a thorough understanding of the emotional dynamics in different situations. The sample will be composed of 25 instructors aged between 25 and 35 from various educational institutions, ensuring diversity in terms of gender, cultural background, and prior speaking experience. This includes representation from inclusive education contexts, where instructors are likely to encounter learners with varied emotional needs and learning barriers. This targeted sampling aids in the collection of rich, relevant data that specifically aligns with the research objectives (Patton, 2015).

Purposive sampling, often referred to as purposive and selected sampling, is a technique employed by qualitative researchers to identify individuals who may provide specific insights into the subject being studied (Hassan, 2022). Purposive sampling signifies a deliberate and strategic approach for participant selection that is utilized in research studies to ensure that individuals with characteristics or experiences that align with the research objectives are included in the sample (Chavez et al., 2023). In this study, participants were selected for their potential to provide insight into how emotional profiling and empathy inform strategic teaching adaptations in inclusive settings.

Instruments

The primary tools for collecting data will include semi-structured interviews and audio recordings of coaching sessions. Twenty-five educators participated in semi-structured interviews to obtain insights, experiences, and perceptions related to emotional awareness and its influence on strategic teaching adaptations within inclusive learning environments. Data was gathered through comprehensive interviews or online discussions, enabling participants to convey their experiences, opinions, and decision-making processes concerning the emotional empathy of their learners and its impact on addressing barriers to participation (Cuilan, Chavez and Soliva, 2024).

Table 1.

| No. of Participants | Gender | Age | Age Group Description |
|---|---|---|---|
| Participants 1-6 | Female | 26-29 | Young Adult |
| Participants 7-9 | Female | 30-32 | Early Middle Age |
| Participants 10-16 | Male | 31-35 | Early Middle Age |
| Participants 17-21 | Male | 27-29 | Young Adult |
| Participants 22-25 | Female | 25-28 | Young Adult |

Table 2.

| Research Objectives | Research Questions |
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| Objective 1. Determine the role of emotional profiling in promoting inclusive education and guiding strategic teaching adaptation. | 1. How important is emotional profiling in inclusive teaching, especially in higher education? Explain further<br>2. How can emotional profiling help instructors develop more effective teaching strategies for specific types of learners? Explain more. |

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| | 3. What particular aspect of emotional profiling help instructors better understand and support emotionally challenged learners? Explain comprehensively. |
| Objective 2. Identify empathy-based teaching techniques informed by the emotional profiling of learners. | 1. Based on your experience, what teaching techniques are most effective when working with emotionally sensitive learners? Explain each.<br>2. How does knowing a learner's emotional profile help instructors use empathy to meet different learning needs or styles?<br>3. What are key differences between instructors who use emotional profiling and those who do not, in terms of addressing learner barriers and needs? Compare further. |

Data Gathering

To successfully collect data for this study, an exploratory research approach will be utilized, incorporating qualitative data collection methods. In order to obtain more profound insights, semi-structured interviews and focus group discussions will be carried out with 25 educators. This qualitative data will clarify the subtleties of emotional experiences and empathetic interactions within inclusive educational settings, particularly in relation to barriers to learning and adaptive teaching practices. Thematic analysis will be employed to recognize recurrent patterns and themes in the learners' narratives, thus enhancing the quantitative findings (Braun and Clarke, 2006).

The researchers arranged the interview sessions to span over one week. These sessions enabled individuals to express their emotional responses and empathic tendencies in different situations, offering a thorough overview of their emotional states and empathetic skills (Baron-Cohen and Wheelwright, 2004). The survey included qualitative questions aimed at collecting information and specifics about the emotional profiling and empathy of learners, especially as they relate to inclusive classroom engagement and instruction. Following the interview sessions, responses were systematically coded for analysis.

The method of data collection utilized for this research is the questionnaire method, which was developed by the researchers based on their objectives. The researchers posed questions to young adults and early middle-aged individuals (Riser, Spielman and Biek, 2024).

Data Analysis

The phase of data analysis will encompass thematic analysis for qualitative data to evaluate the transcripts from interviews and focus groups. This will entail coding the data and pinpointing key themes connected to emotional experiences and empathy within the classroom. The themes will be organized based on their pertinence to teaching adaptation strategies, inclusive practices, and barriers to learning, creating a narrative that reflects the intricacies of learners' emotional and empathic reactions (Creswell, 2013).

The results are anticipated to uncover notable correlations, demonstrating how emotional comprehension can guide and improve pedagogical methods. The incorporation of qualitative methods permits a richer, multidimensional insight into the phenomenon being examined. Ultimately, this research aspires to advance the field of education by offering evidence-based suggestions for educators to customize their teaching strategies to more effectively address the emotional and empathetic requirements of their learners, supporting inclusive engagement and adaptive instruction in the classroom (Mayer and Salovey, 1997; Zins and Elias, 2006). Through this comprehensive data collection and analysis strategy, the research seeks to enhance the understanding of how emotional profiling and empathy influence strategic teaching adjustments, ultimately cultivating a more adaptive and supportive educational environment for all learners.

**Results**

***Research Objectives 1.*** Determine the role of emotional profiling in promoting inclusive education and guiding strategic teaching adaptation

**Question No. 1.** How important is emotional profiling in inclusive teaching, especially in higher education? Explain further

1.1 *Psychological Approach*

Fifteen (15) respondents expressed that they have come to realize that learners' emotional well-being directly affects their academic performance. Emotional profiling helps them understand the underlying factors influencing a learner's behavior, whether it's stress from personal issues, feelings of isolation, or even academic burnout. Recognizing these emotional states allows them to offer the right support or guidance. Without understanding these emotional dynamics, they might misinterpret a learner's disengagement as laziness, which isn't fair or accurate. Additionally, they mentioned that a learner who initially seemed disengaged and distant might later reveal, in a private conversation, that they were struggling with depression. Once they were aware of this, they could guide them to appropriate counseling resources and even check in with them periodically to see how they were managing. The key here is that, by recognizing the signs early on, they can ensure that the learner isn't falling through the cracks emotionally or academically. They've seen firsthand how small acts of emotional understanding, such as acknowledging a learner's stress or validating their feelings, can make a significant difference in their motivation and overall success in the class, especially within inclusive classrooms where emotional and behavioral barriers may otherwise go unrecognized.

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*1.2 Emotional profiling in education*

*Ten (10) respondents expressed that emotional profiling in education is vital because it puts learners' experiences at the center of learning. Too often, higher education focuses solely on development, but without addressing the emotional aspect, learners may feel disconnected or unsupported. Emotional profiling helps them connect with learners as individuals. If they notice a learner who is withdrawn or not performing well, they can approach them with sensitivity, recognizing that their emotional state might be influencing their academic progress. Creating a space where learners feel emotionally safe can lead to better trust, greater collaboration, and more openness in their learning journey. Additionally, they mentioned that they've also noticed that when emotional safety is prioritized, learners are more likely to engage in meaningful collaboration with their peers. They're more willing to participate in group discussions, share their thoughts, and take academic risks because they feel a sense of psychological safety within the learning environment. This leads to richer learning experiences where learners feel empowered to contribute without fear of judgment, knowing that their emotional state will be considered and respected. In turn, this fosters a more inclusive learning environment where diverse emotional needs are supported and valued.*

*"I think emotional profiling in education is vital because it puts students' experiences at the center of learning. Too often, higher education focuses solely on intellectual development, but without addressing the emotional aspect, students may feel disconnected or unsupported. Emotional profiling helps me connect with students as individuals."*

*"I've also noticed that when emotional safety is prioritized, students are more likely to engage in meaningful collaboration with their peers. They're more willing to participate in group discussions, share their thoughts, and take academic risks because they feel a sense of psychological safety within the learning environment."*

**Question No. 2.** How can emotional profiling help instructors develop more effective teaching strategies for specific types of learners? Explain more.

2.1 *Identifying Emotional Needs*

Fifteen (15) respondents expressed that emotional profiling allows them to identify when learners might be experiencing stress, anxiety, or frustration, which can hinder their learning. By understanding these emotional states, they can adapt their approach, whether it's offering additional support, modifying deadlines, or providing reassurance, to better suit the learner's needs. Understanding how emotions like stress, anxiety, and frustration impact learning allows them to adapt their strategies, offer targeted support, and create a classroom culture where learners feel supported and valued. Additionally, they highlighted that many learners in higher education face stressors such as academic pressure, financial concerns, social isolation, or personal struggles. Those who understand the emotional profiles of their learners can identify signs of stress, such as disengagement, a drop in performance, or increased absenteeism. When they recognize these emotional cues early, they can reach out to learners, offering a supportive environment where they feel comfortable expressing their challenges, thereby helping prevent emotional distress from becoming a barrier to academic success.

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"*When we recognize these emotional cues early, we can reach out to students, offering a supportive environment where students feel comfortable expressing their challenges. This proactive approach can prevent emotional strain from escalating into academic failure.*"

2.2 *Personalized Engagement*

Ten (10) respondents expressed that not all learners engage with the material in the same way. Some might be more motivated by intrinsic factors, while others might struggle with self-confidence. Emotional profiling can help them recognize these differences and tailor their communication to encourage participation. For example, a learner who feels isolated might benefit from more collaborative projects or one-on-one discussions to build confidence and improve emotional engagement with the course. Emotional profiling helps them identify learners who are intrinsically motivated, those who engage deeply with the subject matter because they find it interesting or meaningful, and those who are extrinsically motivated, driven by external rewards such as grades or recognition. Additionally, they mentioned that as teachers, they can tailor their strategies accordingly. For intrinsic learners, they can provide opportunities for deeper exploration of topics, encourage independent research, or facilitate class discussions that connect the material to real-world applications. For extrinsically motivated learners, they can create clear, structured goals, reward systems, and highlight the tangible benefits of learning, such as how it relates to career advancement. This personalized approach helps break down motivational barriers and fosters inclusive academic engagement.

*"Emotional profiling can help teachers recognize these differences and tailor our communication to encourage participation. For example, a student who feels isolated might benefit from more collaborative projects or one-on-one discussions to build confidence and improve emotional engagement with the course. "*

*"As Teachers, we can tailor our strategies accordingly. For intrinsic learners, we can provide opportunities for deeper exploration of topics, encourage independent research, or facilitate class discussions that connect the material to real-world applications."*

**Question No. 3.** What particular aspect of emotional profiling help instructors better understand and support emotionally challenged learners? Explain comprehensively.

3.1 *Students' non-verbal cues*

Fifteen (15) respondents expressed that they always try to pay attention to learners' non-verbal cues, things like body language, facial expressions, and the tone of their voice. If a learner seems withdrawn, they might approach them after class to ask if everything is okay. By identifying early signs of stress or frustration, they can either offer academic support or connect them with resources like counseling services. Once they talked it out, their participation improved because they felt heard and supported. Additionally, they mentioned that non-verbal communication is often the first sign that something isn't right. They look for changes in behavior, such as a normally participative learner becoming quiet or a learner who is usually punctual starting to arrive late. This can indicate a range of emotional issues, from stress to personal difficulties. They had one learner who was usually very enthusiastic, but one week, they suddenly seemed distracted and withdrawn. They asked if they were okay after class, and it turned out they were dealing with a family crisis. They helped connect them with counseling resources and let them know they didn't have to handle everything on their own. The following week, their participation was much more balanced. This shows how attentiveness to subtle cues enables timely interventions that uphold inclusive and emotionally safe learning environments.

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3.2 *Understanding when a student is overly confident or too eager*

Ten (10) respondents expressed that they've learned that emotional profiling isn't just about recognizing negative emotions. It's also about understanding when a learner is overly confident or too eager. These emotions can also impact their learning style or classroom behavior. One learner, who was very passionate but aggressive in discussions, needed guidance on how to channel that enthusiasm constructively. By acknowledging their passion and then coaching them on how to engage in respectful dialogue, they were able to create a more inclusive learning environment for everyone. Additionally, they mentioned that sometimes learners come into class with an overinflated sense of confidence, which can be rooted in anxiety or past success. They had a learner in a public speaking course who was initially overly confident, speaking without pausing for feedback and disregarding other perspectives. They understood this wasn't necessarily arrogance but a defense mechanism against fear of failure. They praised their confidence and then gently guided them on how to use that energy in a more focused way. They introduced techniques for pacing their speech, taking breaks, and inviting audience feedback. As a result, the learner became more receptive to peer input and refined their speaking skills. By recognizing and addressing emotional overcompensation, instructors can foster healthier interactions and support the development of all learners.

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*or past success. I had a student in a public speaking course who was initially overly confident, speaking without pausing for feedback, and disregarding other perspectives. I understood this wasn't necessarily arrogance but a defense mechanism against fear of failure."*

***Research Objectives 2.*** Identify empathy-based teaching techniques informed by the emotional profiling of learners.

**Question No. 1.** Based on your experience, what teaching techniques are most effective when working with emotionally sensitive learners? Explain each.

*1.1 Active Listening and Empathy*

Fifteen (15) respondents expressed that they've found that simply being an empathetic listener can go a long way. When students show emotional distress, they give them time to express their feelings and acknowledge their struggles. By listening actively, they validate their emotions, which helps them feel supported. This often eases their anxiety and allows them to refocus on the academic material. Active listening involves being fully present, offering non-verbal cues like nodding, and responding in a way that conveys understanding. For emotional students, knowing they are heard can reduce emotional overload and help them regain composure to re-engage academically. Additionally, they mentioned that when students express their emotions, they focus on creating a safe space where they feel comfortable sharing. They don't interrupt; they allow them to speak without judgment, and then they reflect back what they've heard, sometimes paraphrasing to ensure they understood. This validates their feelings, making them feel that it's okay to feel what they're feeling. For emotional students, knowing that their thoughts and feelings are acknowledged without judgment can create a sense of relief. This validation helps them regain composure, reducing emotional overload and fostering trust with the teacher. Such practices are critical in inclusive education, where emotional safety supports both access and academic engagement.

*"As a professor, I've found that simply being an empathetic listener can go a long way. When students show emotional distress, I give them time to express their feelings and acknowledge their struggles. By listening actively, I validate their emotions, which helps them feel supported."*

*"When students express their emotions, I focus on creating a safe space where they feel comfortable sharing. I don't interrupt, I allow them to speak without judgment, and then I reflect back what I've heard, sometimes paraphrasing to ensure I understood."*

1.2 *Encouraging Self-Care and Mental Health Awareness*

Five (10) respondents expressed that incorporating discussions around self-care and mental health awareness into their lessons has been vital for emotional students. They share resources, such as counseling services or stress management tips, and encourage students to prioritize their mental well-being. Sometimes, just knowing that they have access to support can alleviate some of their stress. Encouraging emotional students to take care of their mental health helps them develop coping strategies and seek external support when necessary. Normalizing mental health discussions reduces stigma and empowers students to manage their emotions more effectively. Additionally, they mentioned that one of the most important things they do is normalize discussions around mental health. They regularly talk about stress management, anxiety, and coping strategies, just as they would discuss any other academic topic. When teachers openly discuss mental health, it reduces the stigma surrounding it and encourages students to be proactive about their well-being. This normalization can also make students more comfortable reaching out for support when they need it, as they realize mental health is just as important as physical health. This aligns with inclusive education principles, which promote emotional support as a foundational condition for meaningful participation and academic success.

*"Incorporating discussions around self-care and mental health awareness into my lessons has been vital for emotional students. I share resources, such as counseling services or stress management tips, and encourage students to prioritize their mental well-being."*

*"One of the most important things I do is normalize discussions around mental health. I regularly talk about stress management, anxiety, and coping strategies, just as I would discuss any other academic topic. By making it a regular part of the conversation, I create an atmosphere where students feel more comfortable seeking help."*

**Question No. 2.** How does knowing a learner's emotional profile help instructors use empathy to meet different learning needs or styles? Explain further.

*2.1 Recognizing Individual Differences*

Fifteen (15) respondents expressed that empathy helps them recognize that every student brings a unique perspective and approach to learning. Some students may prefer visual aids, while others learn best through auditory information, hands-on activities, or written materials. Empathetic teachers avoid a "one-size-fits-all" approach and instead design varied teaching methods to cater to different learning styles. Visual learners might benefit from infographics, diagrams, and videos; auditory learners may thrive through lectures, podcasts, or group discussions; kinesthetic learners may find success through interactive activities, labs, and physical engagement. Empathy enables teachers to observe and assess how students respond to different teaching methods and adapt their approach accordingly. Additionally, they mentioned that empathy allows them to be mindful of the cultural backgrounds and diverse life experiences that influence how students approach learning. For example, students from different cultures may have varying levels of familiarity with certain academic conventions. By showing empathy, they can offer support in bridging these gaps, ensuring that every student feels understood and respected. In summary, by integrating cultural awareness into teaching practices, educators can better support students' unique learning needs, foster a more inclusive environment, and ultimately help students from all backgrounds succeed academically and personally. This differentiated approach reflects inclusive pedagogy and supports strategic teaching adaptation for emotionally and culturally diverse learners.

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*2.2 Building Relationships and Trust*

Ten (10) respondents expressed that when students feel that they truly care about their success, they are more likely to open up and share their concerns or preferences. This relationship-building is key to understanding their learning styles. With empathy, they can offer consistent feedback and adapt their approach to make sure each student feels supported in their individual learning process. When students feel that their instructor truly cares about their success, they are more likely to take an active role in their learning, share their challenges, and be receptive to feedback. Through consistent empathy, they not only help students navigate the course content but also contribute to their personal growth and academic development. Additionally, they mentioned that when students share their concerns or challenges, they listen actively and with empathy. They ask clarifying questions and validate their feelings so they know they're being heard. Whether a student is struggling with the pace of the course, personal issues that affect their learning, or difficulties with particular topics, they ensure the student knows their concerns are taken seriously. Active listening fosters a sense of trust and makes students more comfortable in opening up in the future. This interpersonal trust is central to inclusive teaching, as it lowers social-emotional barriers and promotes full engagement.

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*"I listen actively and with empathy. This means not interrupting or rushing to provide solutions, but allowing them the space to fully express themselves."*

**Question No. 3.** What are key differences between instructors who use emotional profiling and those who do not, in terms of addressing learner barriers and needs? Compare further.

*3.1 Student's academic preparedness and intrinsic motivation*

Ten (15) respondents expressed that students with emotional or psychological challenges may perform poorly or disengage without the instructor recognizing their needs. While some students are intrinsically motivated to succeed and pursue academic excellence, others may lack motivation due to emotional or psychological reasons. Additionally, they mentioned that students with low self-esteem or chronic stress may feel incapable of succeeding, leading to a lack of motivation. Students who feel disconnected from the instructor or class may not see the value in engaging with the material, even if they are intrinsically motivated to learn. Intrinsic motivation , the internal desire to succeed and learn , can be easily impacted by emotional and psychological challenges. Low self-esteem, chronic stress, and emotional disconnection from the classroom can diminish motivation, even in students who would otherwise be motivated to learn. Recognizing and addressing these emotional influences on academic readiness supports inclusive education by enabling strategic, differentiated teaching.

*"Varying Levels of Intrinsic Motivation: While some students are intrinsically motivated to succeed and pursue academic excellence, others may lack motivation due to emotional or psychological reasons. Intrinsic motivation, the internal drive to learn and achieve, is significantly influenced by emotional and psychological factors."*

*"Students who feel disconnected from the instructor or class may not see the value in engaging with the material, even if they are intrinsically motivated to learn."*

*3.2 Instructors who focus on emotional profiling often foster a more empathetic*

Five (10) respondents expressed that this can help students feel safe to express themselves and be vulnerable, leading to greater trust and collaboration. They may create an open dialogue about mental health, offer resources for support, and encourage emotional intelligence among students. When instructors prioritize emotional profiling, they demonstrate a deep awareness of the emotional well-being of their students. Emotional safety is essential for learning because students are more likely to engage, ask questions, make mistakes, and share their ideas if they feel they won't be judged harshly. In such a supportive environment, students also feel more comfortable seeking help when they are struggling, whether academically or emotionally. Additionally, they mentioned that they focus on emotional profiling to create an empathetic and supportive classroom environment that nurtures students' emotional well-being alongside their academic success. By fostering emotional safety, encouraging open dialogue about mental health, modeling emotional intelligence, and providing resources and support, these instructors help students feel valued, heard, and empowered. Such intentional practices exemplify strategic teaching adaptation rooted in empathy and emotional awareness , key pillars of inclusive education.

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**Discussion**

**Objective 1.** Determine how emotional profiling plays in the strategic teaching of instructors

The first objective of this research, designed to explore the meaning of emotional profiling in the strategic instruction of educators, is central in grasping how the instructors might enhance their instructional efficacy as well as ensure an increasingly favorable and inclusive learning

climate. These are some questions during an interview: "Is emotional profiling necessary for teaching higher education learning? Elaborate further," "How can emotional profiling provide enhanced teaching strategies for specific students? Provide more insights," and "What specific aspect of emotional profiling enables the instructor to better understand how to approach an emotional student? Elaborate thoroughly" offer valuable insights into participants' knowledge and preferences.

Emotional profiling entails identifying and evaluating the emotional states of students, which can greatly affect their learning processes and results. The subject of emotional profiling and empathy among students provides an interesting direction in the investigation of how teachers can strategically change their teaching skills to more effectively address their students' needs. Emotional profiling is a process through which one evaluates and makes sense of students' states of emotions, which would impact learning experiences and results significantly. Emotional profiling is considered a diagnostic tool by which instructors can determine the emotional atmosphere prevailing in their classes. In inclusive educational settings, this understanding enables teachers to adjust their strategies to suit the needs of students in terms of their emotional requirements and learning challenges. In this regard, when the instructors identify students undergoing higher levels of stress and anxiety, they can develop supportive actions in the sense of providing them with added resources, assessment techniques, or adjustments in the pace of teaching (Seligman et al., 2009). Such adaptations are essential to strategic teaching and help mitigate emotional barriers to learning.

Studies indicate that when students feel their emotional needs are acknowledged and catered to, their motivation and interaction in learning increase, which therefore leads to improved academic output (Pekrun, 2006). It is also worth noting that emotional profiling enhances the interpersonal relationship between teachers and pupils. When a teacher appreciates the emotional profiles of his or her pupils, he or she will make efforts to create empathy between them, which is the biggest factor in developing robust class relationships. According to scholars like Pianta (2006), positive relationships between teachers and their students increase student engagement and eventually reduce the dropout rate in schools. Teachers, for instance, can vary methods to match the different types of emotional needs through recognizing students' emotional profiles. For instance, students with high anxiety levels will benefit from a more structured and predictable classroom environment, while highly motivated students will thrive in a more flexible and creative setting (Eisenberg et al., 1990). When teachers are responsive to the emotional needs of their students, they can create a more inclusive and supportive learning environment, which directly supports inclusive education goals and ensures all learners can participate equitably (Hamre and Pianta, 2001).

Moreover, emotional profiling can guide instruction in ways that are responsive to diverse emotional and learning needs. For example, students with high emotional intelligence may flourish in collaborative learning environments where peer interaction is emphasized, while those with lower emotional awareness may require more structured support and clear expectations (Brackett et al., 2019). This variation in teaching styles based on emotional profiles is not only engaging the students but also building a belonging and connection among them in class. The adoption of emotional profiling and empathy in pedagogical work represents one of the most promising approaches to enhancing student engagement and learning. Such personalized teaching strategies are vital components of inclusive education and reflect a shift toward learner-centered instruction. Understanding the emotional dynamics in the classroom, teachers can modify their teaching techniques to create a more inclusive and effective learning environment. Further research in this area may provide insights into best practices for emotional profiling and empathy training for teachers. Emotional profiling is important in the strategic education of teachers as it provides insights into the emotional conditions of students and allows for the modification of teaching approaches. Educators can set up a more responsive and

effective learning environment that addresses the divergent needs of their learners by cultivating emotional awareness and empathy. This process not only supports academic success but also reduces emotional barriers, especially for learners in diverse and inclusive educational contexts. Further research into this area will be of paramount importance in the determination of best practices for including emotional profiling in teaching practice.

**Objective 2**. Determine the Teaching Empathy techniques based on the emotional profiling of students.

The second objective of this research focuses on identifying teaching empathy techniques that are based on the emotional profiling of students. The interview questions , "Based on your experience, what techniques are better used for emotional students? Explain each," "By knowing their profile, how can empathy address learning styles of the learners? Explain further," and "What is the comparative difference between an instructor who has no emotional profiling of their students versus those instructors who do it? Compare further" , provide interesting information about the participants' expertise and preferences.

Understanding the emotional environment of students is essential for teachers who aim to implement empathy-based strategies to enhance learning outcomes and create a more inclusive and emotionally supportive learning environment. Teaching empathy techniques include the ways in which instructors can use them to connect emotionally with their learners. These techniques are based on an understanding of students' emotional typography, which can help teachers manage the complex classroom ecosystem and address barriers to learning. One technique is active listening. By truly listening to students and acknowledging their feelings, teachers can show empathy, which creates a safe setting for students to share their experiences (Noddings, 2013). It encourages open dialogue and makes students feel appreciated and understood, which can significantly boost their engagement and academic readiness.

Another technique is emotional check-ins. Teachers can gather information about the emotional well-being of their students by regularly assessing their emotional states through surveys, polls, or informal conversations (Brackett et al., 2019). For instance, a simple mood meter can be used at the start of class to allow students to express how they are feeling. This approach not only enhances awareness of students' emotional conditions but also provides teachers with valuable data to adapt instructional strategies, pacing, or classroom tone. When educators recognize that students are experiencing anxiety or are feeling overwhelmed, they can modify their lesson plans to include calming techniques or offer additional support. Such strategic teaching adaptations are a key element in addressing emotional barriers and fostering inclusive educational practice.

By utilizing emotional profiling techniques, educators can better discern the emotional landscapes of their students, which in turn guides their instructional choices. Empathy , the ability to understand and share others' feelings , is another important component of the inclusive classroom. Through empathy, a teacher becomes more connected to their students and is able to foster a supportive classroom atmosphere. According to Decety and Jackson (2004), it is also through empathy that prosocial behaviors are promoted and interpersonal relationships strengthened , both of which are crucial to a successful learning environment.

In addition, the integration of Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) into the school curriculum is a crucial strategy in teaching empathy. SEL programs teach students to identify and regulate their emotions, cultivate empathy toward others, and develop positive social relationships. Research on SEL shows that it can improve academic performance, enhance social behavior, and reduce emotional difficulties (Durlak et al., 2011). Through SEL concepts incorporated in their teaching, educators can create an empathetic and inclusive classroom environment. Moreover, modeling empathetic behavior is a prerequisite for instilling it in students. Teachers can demonstrate empathy by sharing their own experiences, emotions, and challenges in appropriate ways that connect with students. This helps normalize

emotional expression and reinforces the message that it is okay to ask for help (Kohn, 2016).

Teachers who openly discuss their emotional experiences build trust and encourage students to do the same. In summary, identifying appropriate empathy-based teaching strategies by understanding the emotional profiles of students is essential in creating an emotionally responsive and inclusive educational environment. The implications of this approach extend beyond individual classrooms. Educational institutions could benefit from conducting training programs that develop instructors' capacity for emotional sensitivity and empathetic teaching. Professional development in this area supports inclusive pedagogy and equips teachers with the emotional competencies needed to improve student outcomes. Strategies like active listening, emotional check-ins, SEL integration, and empathetic modeling can significantly enhance the emotional climate of the classroom. By utilizing these methods, educators can more effectively meet the diverse emotional needs of their students, reduce barriers to engagement, and foster a more nurturing and inclusive learning space.

**Conclusion**

Within the perspective of strategic teaching adaptation and inclusive education, the study of emotional profiling and empathy reveals crucial information that can advance instructional strategies and raise student achievement. Teachers can create a more welcoming and encouraging learning environment that fosters both academic success and emotional well-being by understanding and addressing the emotional components of students' experiences. Emotional profiling serves as a basic source of information for teachers in that it enables them to assess and react to the diverse emotional states of their students. This knowledge aids in changing teaching approaches to fit specific needs, break down emotional barriers to learning, and increase student engagement and motivation (Pekrun, 2006).

The findings show the importance of acknowledging the emotional topography of students in effective teaching, as emotions significantly impact learning activities (Seligman et al., 2009). Moreover, the embedding of empathy-based practices into instruction strengthens the relationship between educators and their students. Some of these practices include active listening, emotional check-ins, and the integration of social-emotional learning, which are essential to creating a trust-based, supportive environment (Brackett et al., 2019). Teachers who exhibit empathy not only recognize the emotional experiences of their students but also foster a classroom atmosphere that values and encourages emotional expression (Kohn, 2016).

The implications of this study extend beyond the classroom. They highlight the need for professional development programs that prepare educators to implement emotional profiling and empathy-based practices effectively, particularly in inclusive and emotionally diverse classrooms. Future research should continue to investigate effective ways in which these practices can be implemented across varied educational contexts, ensuring that all students, regardless of emotional background, can succeed both emotionally and academically.

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