



## 4 DEFINITIONS OF

# SCHOLARSHIP

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### APPLICATION

WORK EXAMINING HOW RESEARCH AND KNOWLEDGE CAN ADDRESS PROBLEMS/ISSUES

#### EXAMPLES:

- SERVING AS A MENTOR OR ADVISOR, FOSTERING PROFESSIONAL GROWTH
- EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP
- CREATING EVIDENCE-BASED BEST PRACTICE GUIDELINES

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### DISCOVERY

WORK DEMONSTRATING COMMITMENT TO: KNOWLEDGE FREEDOM OF INQUIRY DISCIPLINED INVESTIGATION

#### EXAMPLES:

- IDENTIFYING GAPS IN KNOWLEDGE
- ESTABLISHING A FOUNDATION FOR FUTURE STUDIES
- DEVELOPING & INVESTIGATING RESEARCH QUESTIONS

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### INTEGRATION

WORK PROVIDING MEANING AND PERSPECTIVE ACROSS DISCIPLINES

#### EXAMPLES:

- SYNTHESIS OF EXISTING LITERATURE
- DESIGNING & DELIVERY OF A COURSE
- COLLABORATION ACROSS PROFESSIONS & DISCIPLINES

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### TEACHING

WORK BRIDGING THEORY, KNOWLEDGE & APPLICATION, STIMULATING LEARNING & CRITICAL/CREATIVE THINKING

#### EXAMPLES:

- IMPLEMENTATION OF INNOVATIVE TEACHING METHODS
- DEVELOPING INNOVATIVE CURRICULUM PROJECTS OR INSTRUCTIONAL/ASSESSMENT MATERIALS

*Scholarship "means stepping back from one's investigation, looking for connections, building bridges between theory and practice, and communicating one's knowledge effectively".*

Ernest L. Boyer  
Scholarship Reconsidered (pg.68)