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Professional Expertise, Integration and Lifelong Learning

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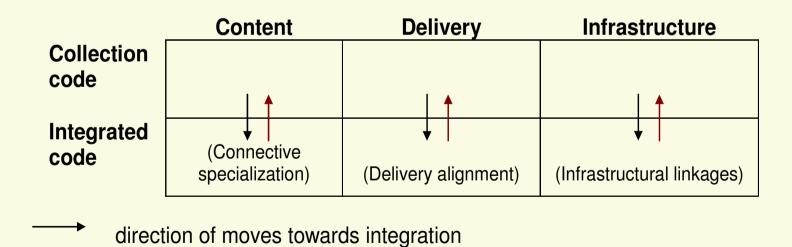
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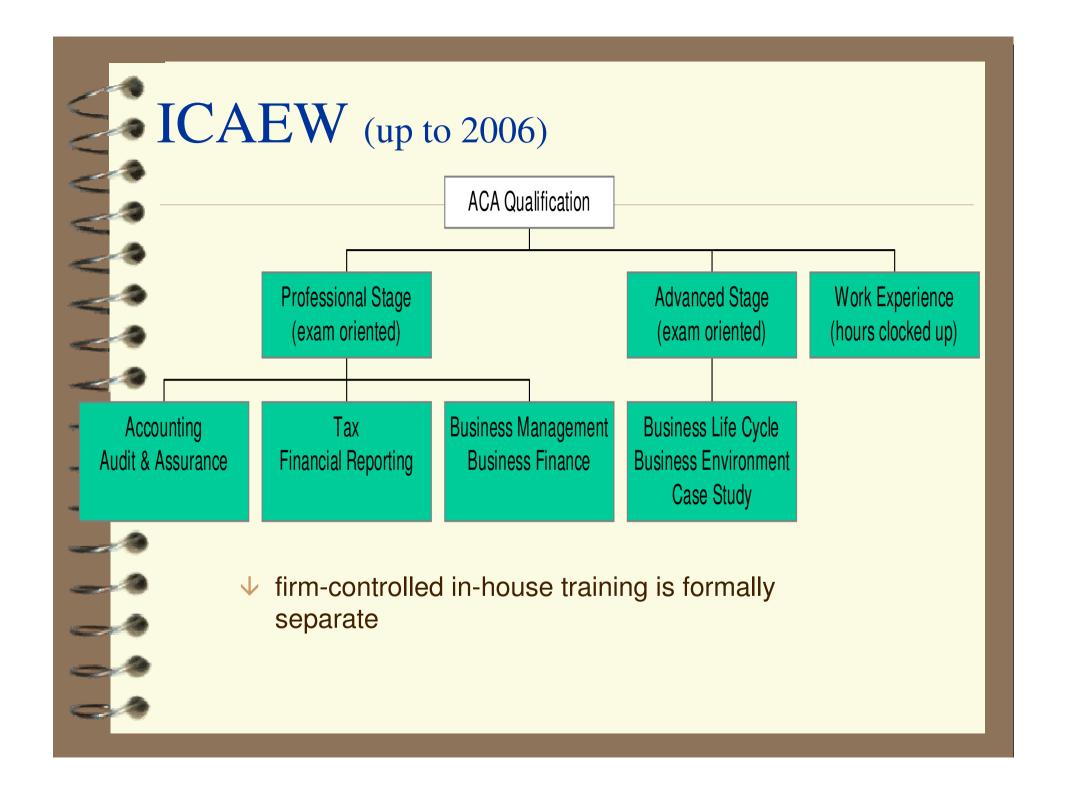
"Between Workplace & Qualification: Engineering Integrative Learning"

Ethnographic research through streams:

- Work Based Learning & Qualification-Focused Learning

tendencies to resist integration





Technical Integration -

Business Reporting

ADVANCED STAGE

Ethics
Case Study

Ethics
Technical Integration –
Business Change

Integrated ethics training throughout to support business decision-making

PROFESSIONAL STAGE

Ethics

APPLICATION MODULES

Ethics
Business
Strategy

Financial Accounting

Ethics
Financial Financial Reporting

Ethics
Audit and Assurance

Taxation

KNOWLEDGE MODULES

Business and Finance Management Information Accounting Ethics Law Ethics Assurance Principles of Taxation

Lifelong Learning (1)

Assume life-stage model

- School/University is continuous period of education
- meant to prepare you for life/work
- work oriented learning is **part** of the work and just about the work, not a project of the learner
- University education does not succeed in requirement of preparation because of inappropriate teaching and learning framework

Lifelong Learning (2)

Assume life-stage model

- School/University is continuous period of education
- meant to prepare you for life/work
- work oriented learning is **separate** from the work even if just about the work, not a project of the learner
- University education does not succeed in requirement of preparation for life/work because the continuous learning preparation stage is not complete

Lifelong Learning (3a)

Reject life-stage model

- School/University is period of education in life-course
- life-course involves other learning episodes which constitute parts of life and work
- work oriented learning is part of your life's learning and not just about the work, also a project of the learner

Lifelong Learning (3b)

Reject life-stage model

- The ACA is an aberration, tending to hinder individual development in life, work and learning
- ↓ University education succeeds better in complementing a framework of learning for life and work because of more appropriate teaching and learning framework... although it could do more to foster transdisciplinarity

Lifelong Learning (4a)

Reject life-stage model

- School/University is period of education in life-course
- Ilife-course involves other learning episodes which constitute parts of life and work
- [] [nuanced emphasis] work oriented learning is part of the work but not just about the work, also a project in the learner's life, at least instrumentally

Lifelong Learning (4b)

Reject life-stage model

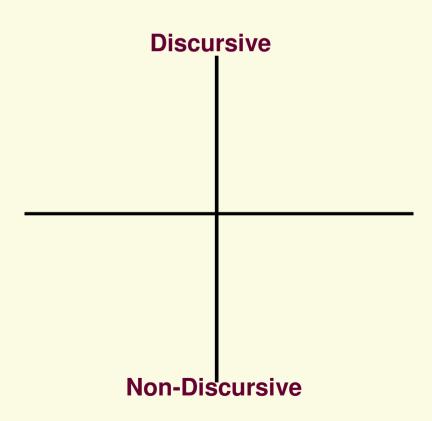
 University education does not succeed in complementing a framework of learning for life and work because it does not prepare graduates adequately for ACA training as new episode in lifelong learning

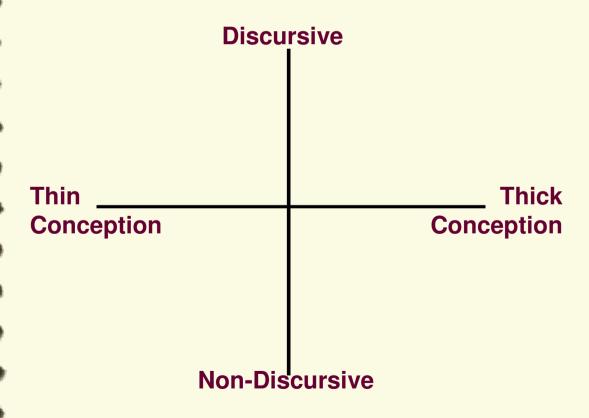
Lifelong Learning (5)

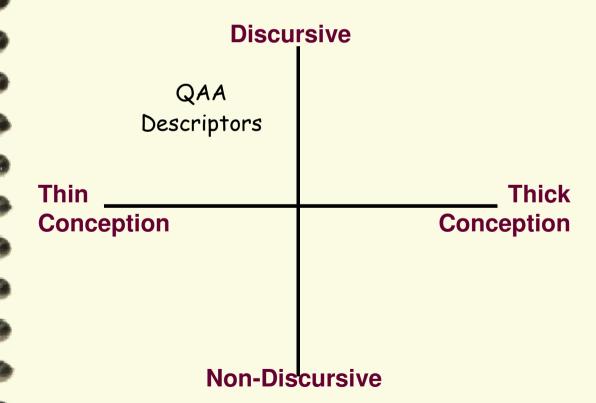
Reject life-stage model (as for 4a, but...) - last resort!....

- University education does succeed in complementing a framework of learning for life and work:
- it channels graduates neither away from nor towards ACA training (or equivalent) as a new episode and challenge in an individual's lifelong learning
- ii. University education complements a framework of learning for life/work because of a more appropriate teaching and learning framework (although it could do more to foster transdisciplinarity), which can complement the ACA in particular

- Individual vs Group vs Social(=societal) vs Institutional
- Discursive vs Non-Discursive
- Thick vs Thin (Luntley)
- Primary vs Secondary (Keith Hoskin)
- 'Education and the Genesis of Disciplinarity: The Unexpected Reversal' in Messer-Davidow, E., Shumway, D.R. & Sylvan, D.J. (eds.), *Knowledges: Historical and Critical Studies in Disciplinarity*, Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press (1993); pp. 271-304.









QAA Conference
Descriptors Discussion

Thin ____ Thick Conception

Discursive

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Descriptors Discussion

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Paying attention

Discursive

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Descriptors

Conference

Discussion

Thin

Conception

Thick Conception

Paying attention

Body Language

Primary level of practice:

 What defines what your discipline is about uniquely, e.g. explicit subject content

Secondary level of practice:

- What you do which underpins the primary level,
 relatively generic and more disciplining aspects
 - Hoskin: writing, examining and grading

Discursive

Subject content

QAA Descriptors Publications and conference discussion

Primary

Thin ——— Conception

ThickConception

Certain practical behaviours

Discursive

Writing, Examining, Grading

Introductory level teaching practices, taking notes

Holding research conversations, Peer review

Thin ——— Conception

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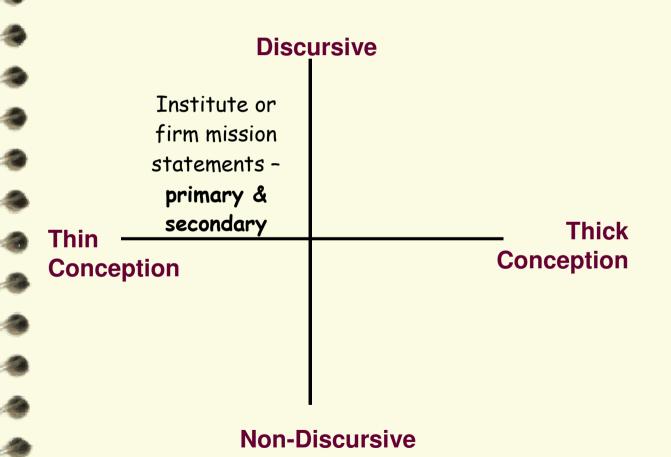
Secondary

Paying attention in class

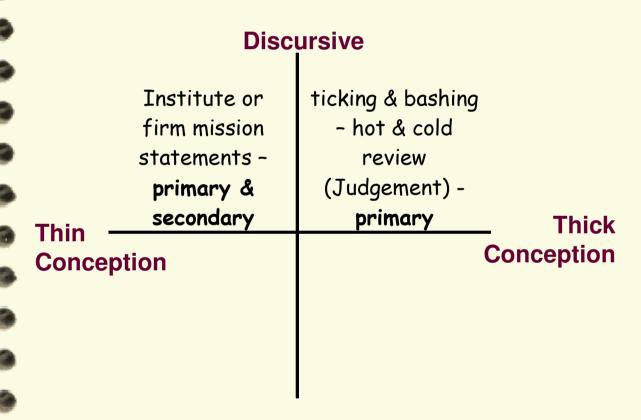
Exercising good (=professional?)

Judgement

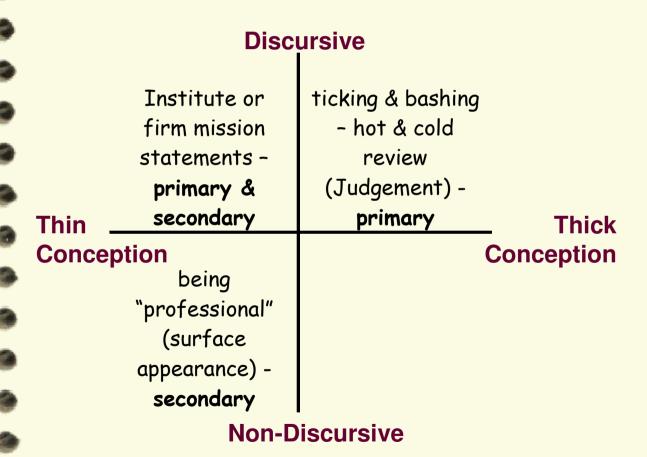
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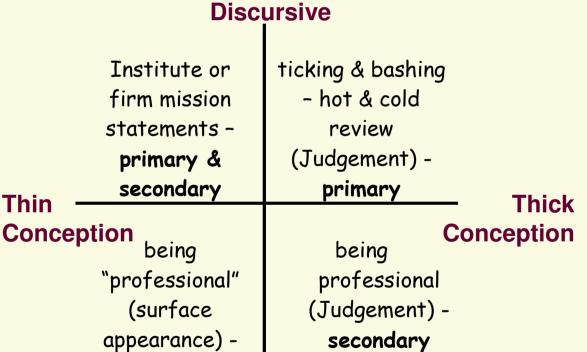


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Non-Discursive

secondary