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A review of Master thesis and PhD dissertation criteria assessment

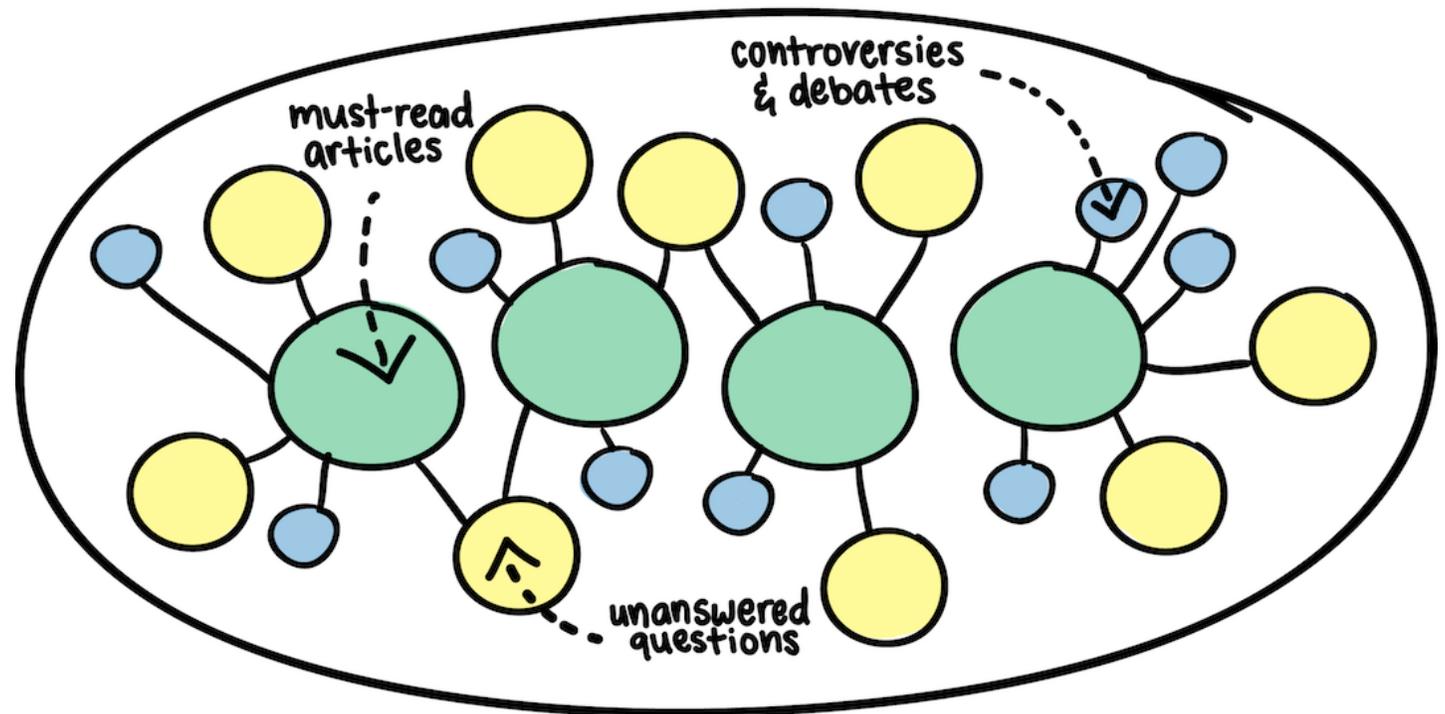
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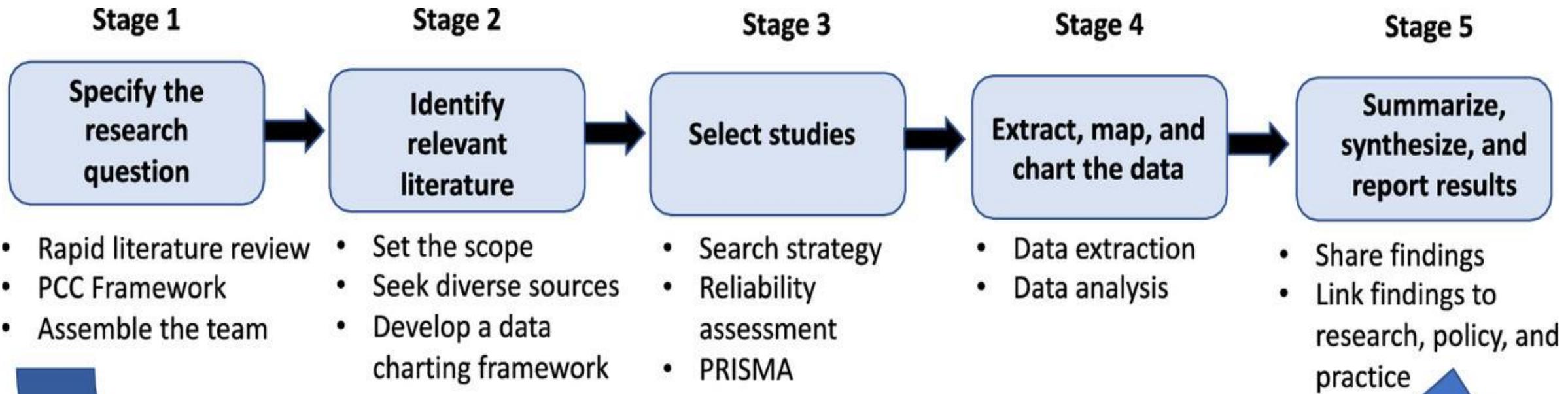
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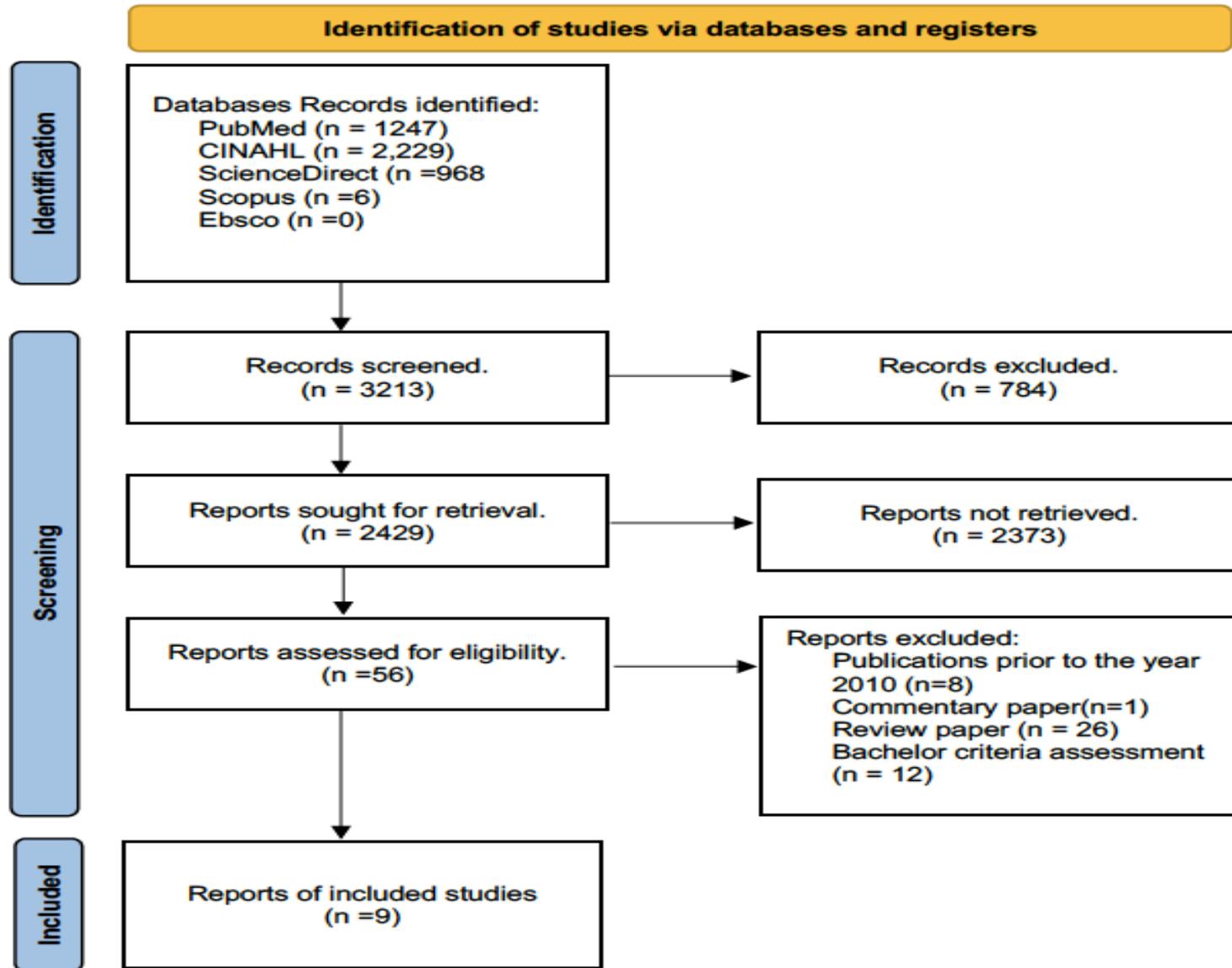
**Aim :To identify
assessment
criteria for
assessing
Master's theses
and PhD
dissertations in
higher education.**

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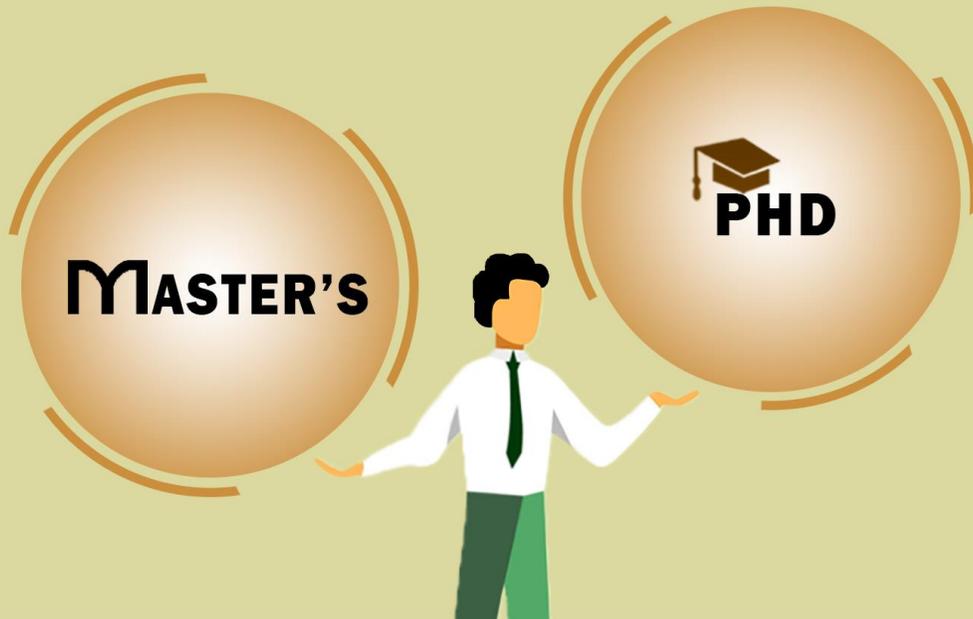


Five-stage framework (Arksey and O'Malley 2005).



Master's Thesis Assessment Criteria	PhD Dissertation Assessment Criteria
Research Contribution	Research Field Contribution
Research Topic	Research Depth and Breadth
Introduction	Theoretical and Methodological Rigor
Literature Review	Quality of Written Presentation
Methodological Approach	International Research Standards
Analysis and Findings	Knowledge of Relevant Literature
Presentation and Communication	Mastery of Methodology and Theory
Ethical Considerations	Scope and Significance
Data Management	Analysis and Reporting
Discussion	Communicative Competence
Summary and Overview	Research Skills and Professional Attitude
Writing Style and Referencing	

Difference between Master's & PhD Dissertation



Conclusion

Master's thesis assessment criteria focus on the **relevance of the research topic, literature review, methodology, and presentation**. In contrast, PhD dissertation assessment emphasizes the **depth of research, theoretical rigor, international research standards, literature knowledge, and communicative competence, with a greater emphasis on significant contributions to the field**.

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