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The introduction should concisely situate the study within a broader context and emphasize its significance. It should define the purpose and importance of the task. The current state of the research field should be thoroughly examined, and essential publications should be referenced. When necessary, please highlight controversial and divergent hypotheses. Lastly, concisely describe the primary purpose of the work and emphasize its key findings. Please maintain the introduction as accessible to scientists outside your field of study. ALBUS follows the APA style in text and references. References must follow these examples (Author, year); (Author & Author, year); (Author, year; Author & Author, year; Author, year – please alphabetical order and no more than 3 authors). For quotes, please use the following: By the mid-2000s, researchers had begun to characterize SETs in terms like “…the predominant measure of university teacher performance […] worldwide” (Pounder, 2007, p. 178). According to Theall (2017), “Faculty evaluation and development cannot be considered separately ... evaluation without development is punitive, and development without evaluation is guesswork” (p. 91).

2. Literature Review

A literature review is an in-depth analysis of studies and research relevant to your research topic. It provides context for your research and demonstrates how reflections on the same topic have evolved, enhancing your understanding. A literature review can also identify research gaps and areas for further study. When you analyze previous research, you examine the quality of the experiments, and you can use this to explain why your approach to the topic is distinct. If your literature review is part of a more significant research endeavor, it should follow the introduction. Most academic writers use the literature review to define terms within the research topic and provide their analysis of sources; they then discuss the research question in the section that follows the literature review. Please use the reference format indicated above.

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Figure 1. Conceptual Framework. Source: Author (year)

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5.1 Managerial implications

This subsection refers to the practical applications of research findings that can guide decision-making and strategy in a business or organizational context. These implications offer insights that help managers improve operations, optimize performance, and make informed choices based on evidence. They may suggest new approaches to problem-solving, recommend adjustments to existing processes, or identify emerging trends that managers should consider to maintain a competitive advantage. By translating research findings into actionable strategies, managerial implications bridge the gap between theory and practice, ensuring that the knowledge gained from research can have a tangible, positive impact on an organization's success.

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This subsection refers to a study's contributions to the existing body of knowledge and its impact on theory development within a particular field. These implications highlight how the research advances or challenges existing theories, concepts, or frameworks, offering new insights or extending understanding of key constructs. By addressing gaps in the literature, proposing new models, or refining existing theoretical perspectives, theoretical implications help shape future research directions. They also provide a foundation for scholars to build upon, encouraging the exploration of new hypotheses or the reevaluation of established ideas, thus driving the field's evolution.

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