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Book Name:	Current Progress in Arts and Social Studies Research
Manuscript Number:	Ms_BPR_2302
Title of the Manuscript:	Leading higher education transformation: The role of student affairs
Type of the Article	Book Chapter

PART 1: Review Comments

Compulsory REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimumof 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	This manuscript is significant for the scientific community because it addresses the critical intersection of student affairs and higher education transformation, particularly in South Africa. The study provides a comprehensive qualitative framework that blends equity and excellence, offering valuable insights into how student success can drive institutional transformation. I appreciate the manuscript's emphasis on integrating human capital and capabilities theories, as it presents a balanced approach to market-oriented and human-centered education. However, the manuscript could benefit from more detailed examples of how these theories can be practically applied within diverse educational contexts.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Yes, the title of the article is suitable.	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	The abstract is comprehensive, providing an overview of the study's objectives, methodology, theoretical framework, and critical findings. It effectively communicates the significance of student success in the broader context of higher education transformation and touches on integrating equity and excellence within this framework. The abstract could benefit from a clearer statement about the scope of the study, including the specific challenges or gaps it addresses in the context of South African higher education. This would provide readers with a more immediate understanding of the study's relevance.While the abstract mentions that student success is the most critical factor, it could also briefly highlight the other four interrelated elements of the comprehensive framework. This would give a fuller picture of the study's outcomes. The abstract could include a sentence or two about the practical implications of the findings for student affairs practitioners and policymakers. This would help readers understand the real-world impact of the research. While the abstract mentions the use of grounded theory, it could briefly mention the type and number of participants (e.g., 16 leaders in higher education) to provide a bit more context on the research approach.	
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	It is fine. Ok	
Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimumof 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound due to its rigorous methodological approach, which includes using grounded theory and qualitative analysis of data collected from a well-selected sample of 16 higher education leaders. The triangulation of interview data with strategic documents enhances the validity and reliability of the findings. Furthermore, integrating human capital and capabilities theories provides a solid theoretical foundation, ensuring that the study's conclusions are well-supported by empirical evidence and conceptual reasoning. This careful alignment of methodology and theory contributes to the manuscript's overall scientific correctness.	

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Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	Yes, it is fine.	
Minor REVISION comments		
Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	That is fine.	
Optional/General comments	Overall, the manuscript contributes to the discourse on higher education transformation, particularly in South Africa. The focus on reconciling equity and excellence is timely and relevant, and the theoretical framework integrating human capital and human capabilities is thoughtfully applied. The study's findings are well-supported by qualitative data, and the implications for student affairs practitioners are articulated. However, the manuscript could benefit from more detailed examples and practical applications of the proposed framework in diverse educational settings. Additionally, while the abstract and structure are generally sound, slight enhancements could improve clarity and reader engagement.	

PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment(if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)	

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