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Propositions

Self-Regulation of the Motivation to Learn

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- 1. Motivation to learn is more than just a desire; it is a complex, dynamic, and multilevel system of motivational elements like a matryoshka doll (this thesis).
- 2. New motivational regulation strategies are needed because current strategies do not fully cover the known motivational elements (this thesis).
- 3. Few strategies relate to positive *changes* in motivation, most others only help to *remain* at the same level of motivation (this thesis).
- 4. Students think about the motivational problems they encounter but they do not consider ways to solve them (this thesis).
- 5. Self-regulation of the motivation to learn is a complex skill that requires program design based on models of complex learning.
- 6. Nurturing students' motivation requires dynamic teamwork of students, teachers, researchers, educational designers, and policy-makers.
- 7. To develop useful educational theory, academic researchers must provide theoretical insights to field researchers while field researchers highlight theoretical gaps related to their specific context..
- 8. It is important to consider not only students' motivation to learn for a particular course but also their motivation towards learning in university in general.
- 9. Students may not like learning as expected from them by society, instead they can choose other ways of enriching their own experience.
- 10. Good research is grounded in theory and support from supervisors, family, and friends.
- 11. This is the way.