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PURPOSE

To describe post-exam processes and determine student perceptions of current approaches and in-course remediation

PHARMACOTHERAPEUTICS SERIES

RX324: Pharmacist Assessment 8 Immunization Spring – P1

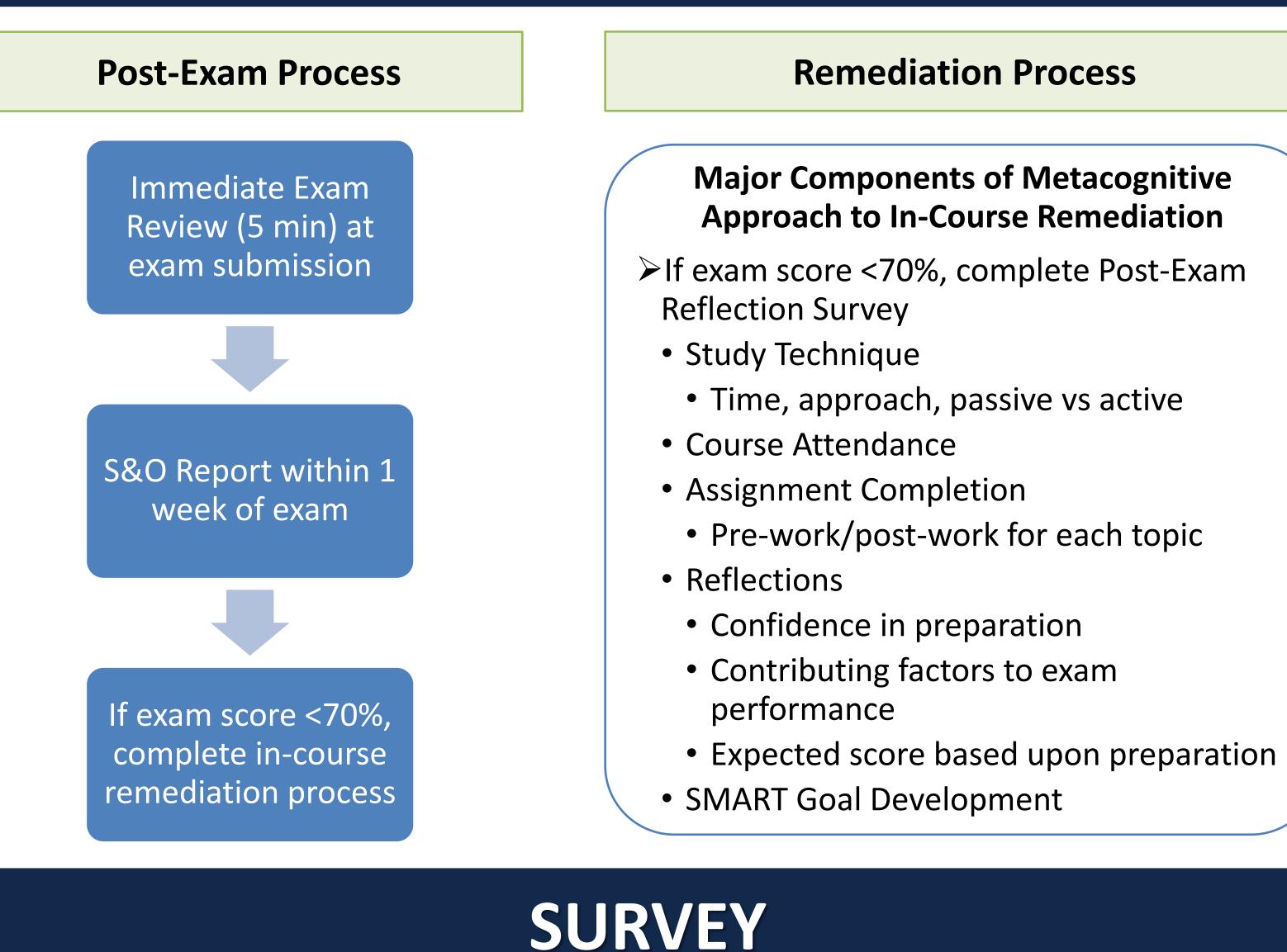
RX413: Therapeutics & **Case Studies 1** (T1) Fall – P2

RX414: Therapeutics & Case Studies 2 (T2) Spring – P2

RX513: Therapeutics & **Case Studies 3** (T3) Fall – P3

- Pharmacy program consists of two distinct student pathways: Campus-based pathway (CBP) and Online pathway (OLP)
- Successful completion of the five-semester Pharmacotherapeutics course series is required sequentially to progress in the curriculum
- Post-exam processes and a metacognitive approach to in-course remediation implemented five years ago with CBP and with the launch of OLP
 - Immediate exam review of missed questions and rationale through ExamSoft Strengths & Opportunities (S&O) Report through ExamSoft to review performance of tagged categories with learning objectives and Bloom's taxonomy

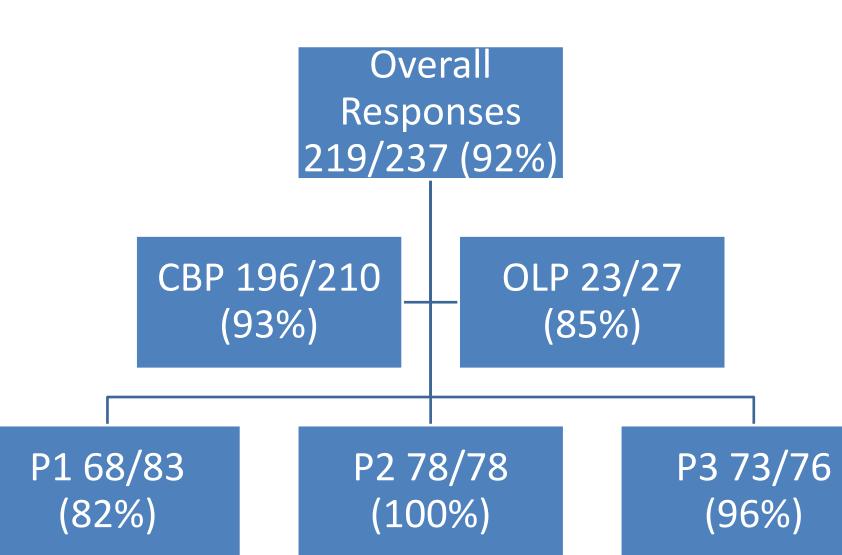
CURRENT POST-EXAM PROCESSES



- Qualtrics survey distributed Spring 2024 to determine student perceptions of current post-exam processes and in-course remediation
- Anonymous survey responses from first-year (P1), second-year (P2) and third-year (P3) pharmacy students in both CBP and OLP at Butler University
- Logic-based survey questions included multiple-choice, 5-point Likert scale, and openended to evaluate demographics, post-exam processes, and in-course remediation

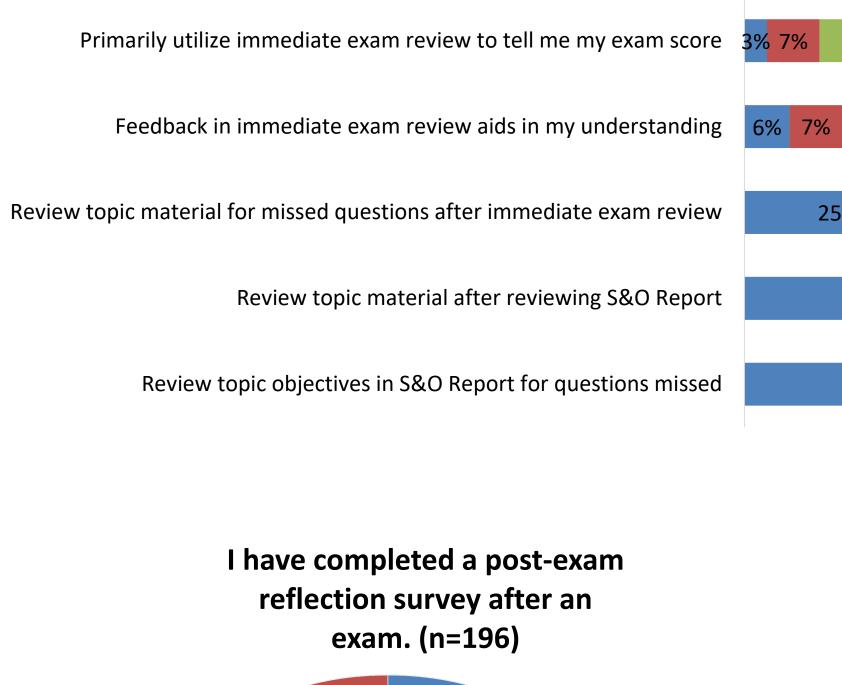
POST-EXAM PROCESSES AND STUDENT PERCEPTIONS OF IN-COURSE REMEDIATION IN A PHARMACOTHERAPEUTICS COURSE SERIES

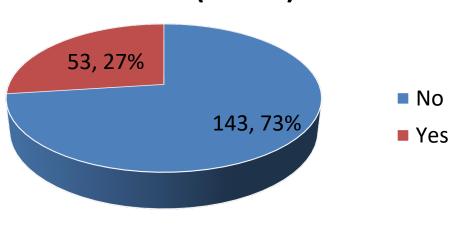
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I reviewed the S&O Report	P1	P2	Р3	Overall
After each exam	31%	8%	7%	15%
After most exams	21%	8%	12%	13%
After some exams	32%	37%	45%	38%
Never	16%	47%	36%	34%

Student Perceptions of Immediate Exam Review and S&O Report, n=219



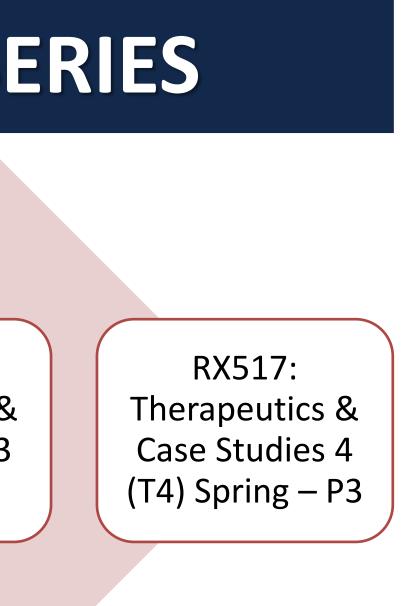


Student Perceptions of Post-Exam Reflection Survey, n=53

Valuable tool to evaluate learning strategies

Developing SMART goals helped develop strategy for success

Successful on exams due to learning strategy changes

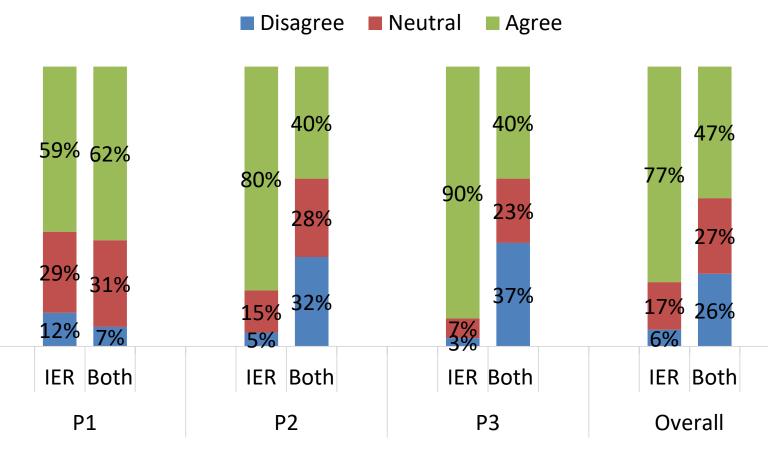


SURVEY RESULTS

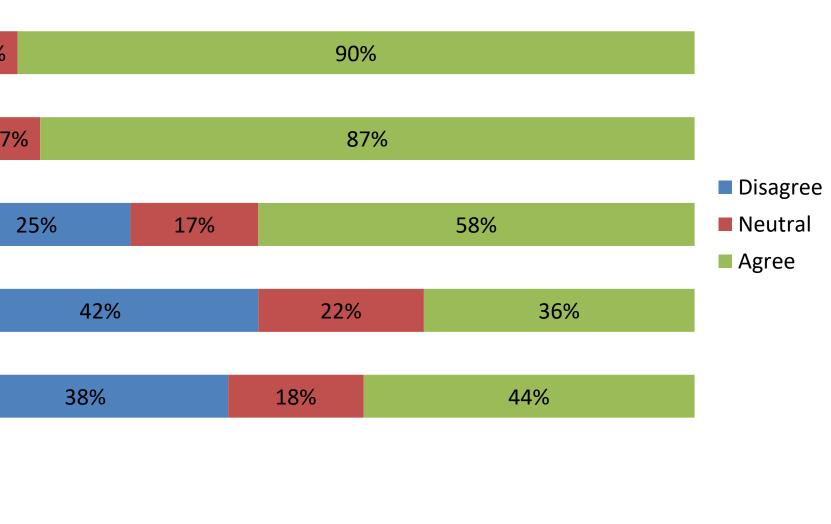
Self-reporting of Academic Success	Student n (%)
An "A" student	101 (46%)
A "B" student	101 (46%)
A "C" student	14 (6%)
I really struggle for academic success	3 (1%)

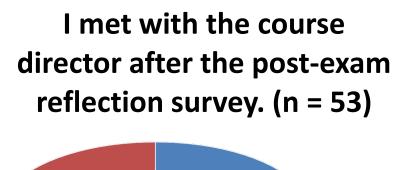


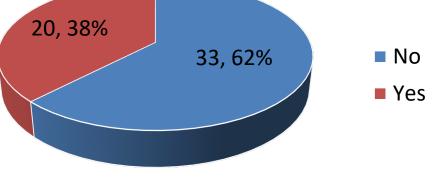
Preference for Post-Exam Process



IER = Immediate Exam Review; Both = IER and S&O Report









- Remedation is a sign of weakness or failure
- Review is necessary prior to remediation
- If eligible will take opportunity to remediate 3% 9%
 - Prefer individual exams vs. cumulative
 - Willing to put in additional effort
 - Appreciate remediation opportunity

Post-Exam Processes: Preference for Immediate Exam Review

Post-Exam Reflection Survey Process: Mixed Perceptions on Effectiveness but Value Identifying Areas for Improvement

- Helps identify topics or areas they struggled with during the exam
- Provides insights into weaknesses and helps set goals for improvement
- Students express appreciation for the opportunity to meet one-on-one with course director to discuss strategies and receive feedback on performance

Remediation: Desire for Continued Support and Feedback

- Students express support for the idea of offering remediation opportunities, particularly in the form of remediation exams or review sessions
- Students believe the chance to restudy the material and potentially improve their grades would be beneficial, especially for exams that cover complex/challenging topics
- Concerns about fairness and implementation Students want to make sure remediation strategies are respectful of everyone's time and implemented in a way that does not disadvantage students who perform well on
- exams

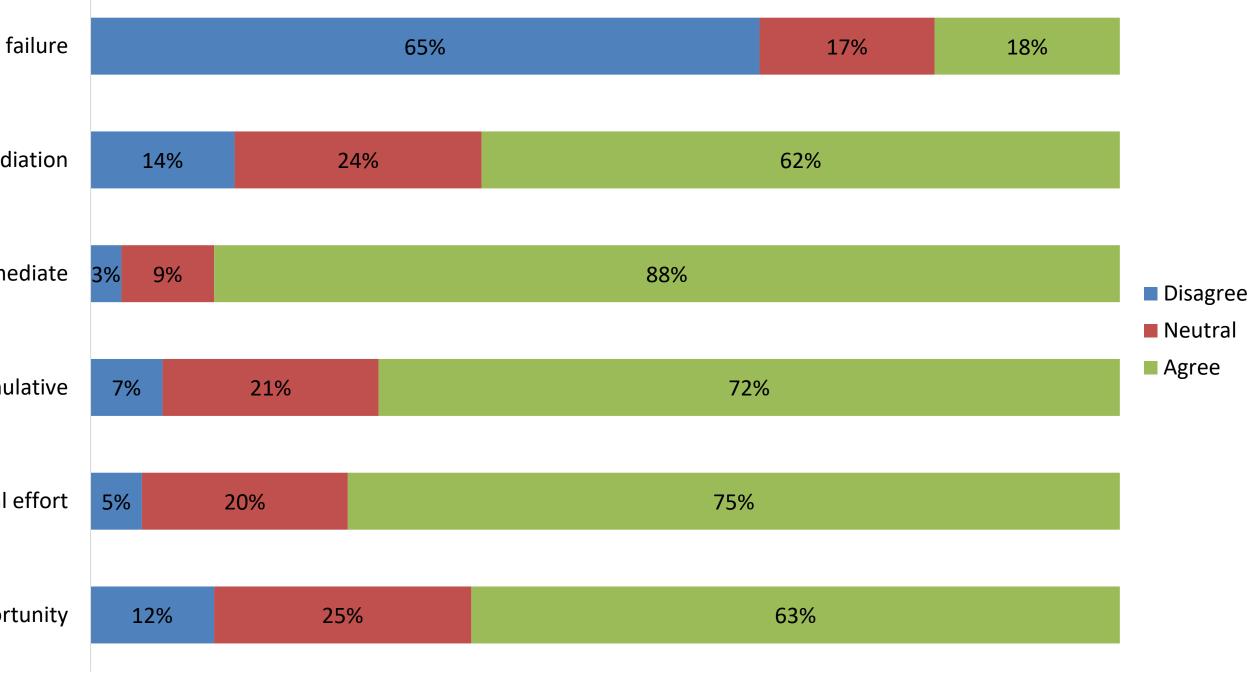
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SURVEY RESULTS CONTINUED

Student Perceptions of In-Course Remediation, n=219



Student Open-Ended Feedback

Beneficial for understanding mistakes and knowing score immediately Some express confusion about S&O Report layout or find it too vague

Others view remediation as a supportive measure that can help struggling students improve their understanding of the material and succeed in the course

CONCLUSIONS

Students value the immediate exam review along with the post-exam reflection survey process and view in-course remediation as positive tool for success To ensure understanding and full utilization, suggest enhancing orientation to the S&O Report and the post-exam reflection survey process for students at the start of this

Next steps include refining processes and incorporating an individualized in-course remediation approach for eligible students throughout this course series