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# **Exploration of Optimization Approaches for Higher Education Management in Universities**

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**Abstract:** With the rapid advancement of information technology, the organization and analysis of data have been applied to various fields, effectively enhancing work efficiency and quality. In this context, higher education management within universities encounters both fresh challenges and opportunities. In this era, effectively harnessing big data technology to refine higher education management, elevate the quality of education and teaching, and remain abreast of contemporary demands presents a formidable task. The management of higher education management necessitates the acquisition and processing of massive amounts of student and faculty information data to better manage students and faculty and improve education quality. In the age of big data, the extraction of valuable information from immense data emerges as a pivotal concern. This article mainly elaborates on the importance of employing big data technology in higher education management and effective approaches for optimization. **Keywords:** Big Data Era; Higher Education Management; Optimization Approaches

With the rapid advancement and popularization of information technology, we have entered the era of big data. In this era, the generation, collection, and utilization speed of information data continue to accelerate, and big data has become a new productive force. For universities, big data is not only a challenge but also an opportunity. How to apply big data technology to optimize higher education management has become an important issue for university administrators. This article mainly explores the optimization approaches and significance of higher education management in the big data era. In terms of teaching management: Teaching management is the core of higher education management and also the most complex and cumbersome aspect. How to optimize teaching management and improve teaching quality is an important issue faced by university administrators. In the era of big data, using big data technology can conduct in-depth analysis of teaching management, identify and solve problems, and improve teaching efficiency and quality.

## 1. The Significance of Using Big Data Technology in Higher Education Management

With the development of information technology, the application of big data technology has been extended to various fields, bringing many opportunities to different industries. In higher education management, big data technology has also been widely utilized. Big data technology can assist universities in conducting comprehensive and systematic analyses of students' learning situations, the utilization of teaching resources, and the quality of courses. Through the application of big data technology, universities can better manage educational teaching, improve teaching quality, and enhance students' overall competence. The following sections will elaborate on aspects such as improving student management efficiency, enhancing education quality through teaching management, and making efficient management decisions.

#### 1.1 Improving Student Management Efficiency

Student management is an integral component of higher education management. Traditional student management often requires significant human and material resources, leading to the wastage of resources and susceptibility to human errors. However, utilizing big data technology for student management enables comprehensive and systematic analysis of various student information. This includes understanding students' learning situations, school resource utilization, attendance, course evaluations, and more. Through big data analysis techniques, student data can be analyzed to identify students' characteristics and learning needs. Based on the analysis results of student needs data, personalized learning guidance, activity arrangements, health management plans, etc., can be

developed. Consequently, universities can more accurately grasp students' learning status and situations, provide timely assistance and guidance, enhance students' academic performance and overall competence, and improve management efficiency.

#### 1.2 Enhancing Education Quality Through Teaching Management

Teaching management is another essential component of higher education management. By utilizing big data technology to manage teaching, universities can better understand teachers' teaching quality, students' learning situations, and the difficulty levels of courses. Analyzing teaching resources and textbooks can assist universities in better managing teaching resources and improving teaching quality. Additionally, big data technology can collect student learning and behavioral data, analyze students' learning status, abilities, and interests, and provide personalized learning plans and teaching resources. It can also offer teaching improvement suggestions to teachers, monitor students' learning progress and grades, provide timely feedback, and adjust teaching plans to enhance teaching effectiveness. Furthermore, big data technology can help universities proactively identify and resolve issues in the teaching process, further improving teaching quality and efficiency.

#### **1.3 Efficient Management Decision-making**

Management decision-making is a critical aspect of higher education management. The application of big data technology can assist universities in making better management decisions by collecting, analyzing, and mining various data to provide more scientific and accurate support for decision-making. For instance, analyzing data such as student employment status, teaching achievements, and course evaluations can provide universities with more accurate and scientific development plans and management decisions. Collecting and analyzing data on students, teachers, teaching resources, and finances can provide decision-making basis. Utilizing big data technology to analyze teaching quality and student satisfaction can offer suggestions for improving education management and decisions on education resource allocation and investment, including teacher allocation, equipment procurement, and campus construction. With the support of big data, campus decision-making will undoubtedly become more efficient and rational.

## 2. Optimization Pathways of Big Data Technology for Higher Education Management

With the continuous development and application of big data technology, it has gradually begun to permeate into the field of higher education management, providing more avenues for optimizing educational management practices in universities. Specifically, this includes the following aspects:

#### 2.1 Optimizing Data Collection Methods to Gather Accurate Relevant Data

For big data analysis results to be accurate, there is a need for a large amount of precise data. However, traditional data collection methods often suffer from single data sources, reflecting issues from a one-sided perspective; difficulties in ensuring the authenticity of data; and time-consuming, labor-intensive data collection processes. Therefore, it is imperative to optimize data collection methods to provide accurate relevant data for big data analysis. In the era of big data, higher education management relies on data for decision-making and evaluation, hence the quality and efficiency of data collection directly impact the effectiveness of educational management. To optimize data collection methods, it is necessary to establish diversified data sources, improve data quality, utilize information technology, and establish data security mechanisms, among other measures.

#### 2.2 Increase Data Analysis Modes to Enhance the Accuracy of Data Analysis

Data analysis is an indispensable component of higher education management. Traditional data analysis methods may involve subjective judgments, lack scientific rigor, and systematic processes, among other issues. Therefore, there is a need to increase data analysis modes to enhance the accuracy of data analysis. This can be achieved by establishing diversified data analysis modes, applying information technology to establish a scientific data analysis process and labeling, clarifying analysis objectives, model selection requirements, etc. Additionally, establishing a data audit system, strengthening data monitoring and management to promptly identify and correct issues in the original data, enables universities to provide more scientific and accurate decision-making support. Universities can utilize various data analysis tools to analyze data and uncover potential patterns and trends within the data.

#### 2.3 Improving Teaching Methods Based on Data Analysis Results

In the era of big data, higher education management faces many challenges, one of which is how to utilize big data technology and data analysis methods to improve teaching methods and approaches. By collecting and analyzing a large amount of student learning data, educational managers can better understand students' learning situations, provide personalized teaching services, optimize teaching resource allocation, and enhance teaching quality. Through the analysis of student learning data, educational managers can understand students' learning situations, identify learning issues, and intervene promptly. For example, by analyzing data such as students' grades, study time, and usage of learning resources, it is possible to identify areas where students are experiencing learning difficulties and which students require more guidance and assistance, thus providing personalized teaching services. For instance, educational administrators can analyze students' campus card consumption patterns to identify students facing financial difficulties and provide targeted assistance. Additionally, by analyzing student learning data, educational managers can identify which teaching methods and approaches are more popular among students and which ones are more effective in improving student learning outcomes.

#### 2.4 Utilizing Big Data Analysis Results to Drive Educational Reform and Innovative Development

The innovative development of big data technology applications has brought about more opportunities and challenges for universities. In this context, utilizing big data analysis results to drive educational reform and innovative development in universities has become a new approach and method. Big data analysis can help universities explore new directions and models for educational innovation, thereby promoting innovative development in universities. Through big data analysis, student needs and pain points can be identified, enabling universities to provide more accurate educational services. Additionally, big data analysis can also help universities predict trends in the education market and make preparations in advance. For example, by analyzing student learning data and teaching resources, universities can identify high demand for certain course resources, which are currently insufficient to meet student needs. In such cases, universities can develop resources more suitable for student learning based on market demand, thereby improving student learning outcomes.

#### 3. Conclusion

To conclude, in order to advance research and application of big data technology and improve the efficiency and accuracy of data analysis, universities should establish data collection standards and implement data auditing mechanisms to enhance supervision and management of data collection. This will ensure the reliability and effectiveness of the data. Additionally, universities need to enhance data protection and management to safeguard data security and privacy. Moreover, innovative strategies for improving the quality of student education management based on the integration of big data should be implemented, including adjusting program and curriculum offerings to enhance students' competitiveness in the job market. Universities can forge partnerships with enterprises and social institutions to collaboratively carry out talent cultivation and employment services, offering students with more practical educational services and career guidance. In conclusion, the era of big data presents both new opportunities and challenges for the optimization of university education management. As information technology continues to advance and university faculty and students become increasingly accepting and familiar with the application of big data, its integration in student education management will play an increasingly significant role in student affairs and ideological and political education processes.

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