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# Teachers' Voices as a Key for Improving Initial Teacher Education

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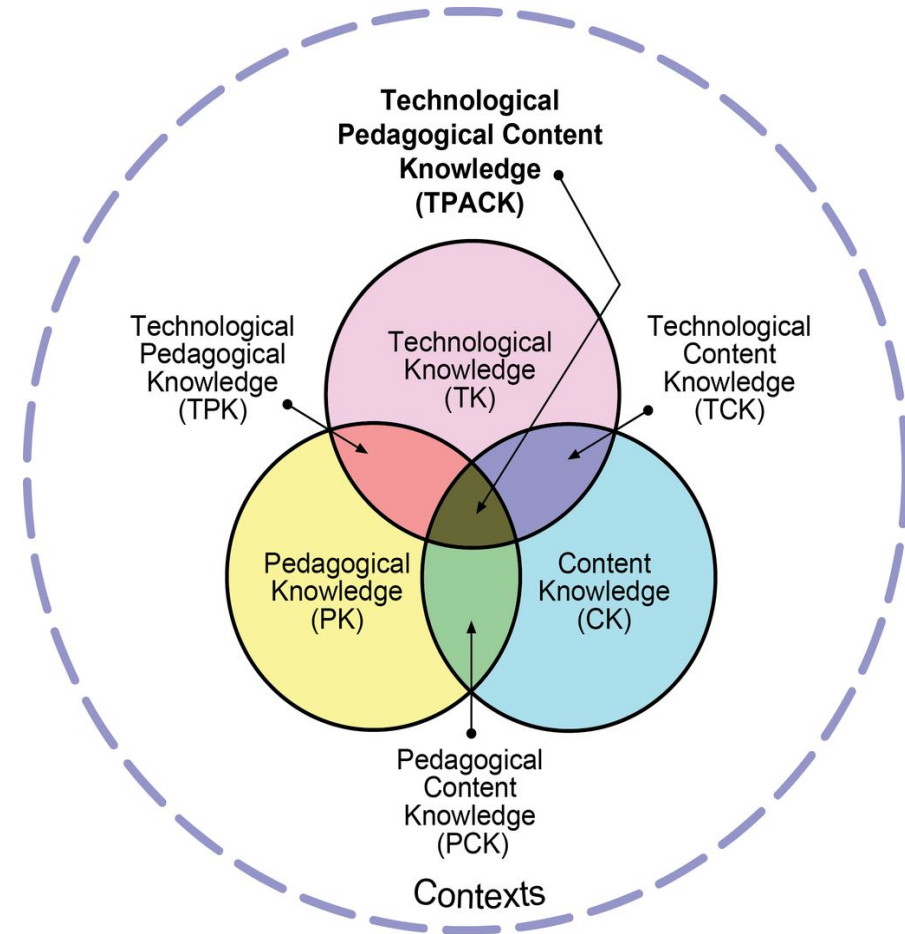
# Introduction



# Informational literacy and its teaching



- **Informational literacy** is defined as the capacity to **search, treat, and communicate** information.
- Technological Pedagogical Content Knowledge.

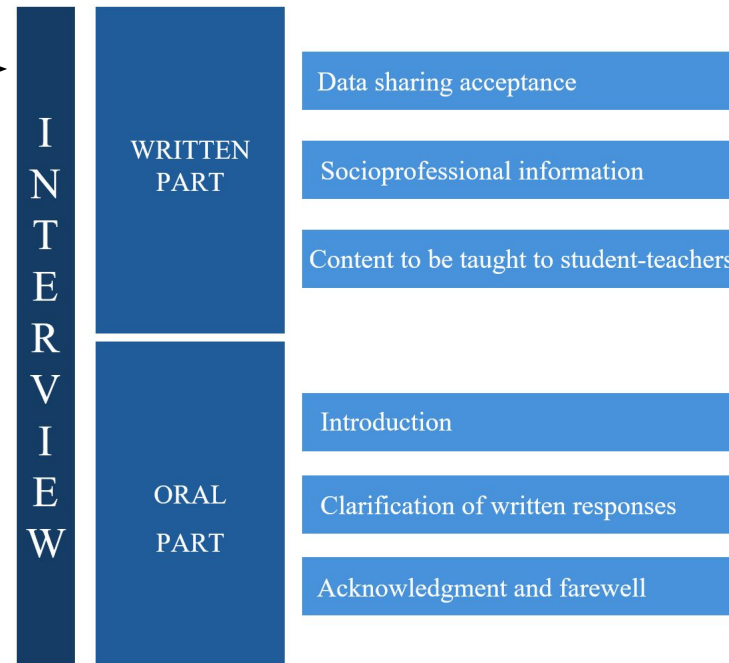


# Research question

What are **teachers' voices** on  
the **content** to be taught  
in **initial teacher education**  
for learning to teach **informational literacy**?

# Methods

- 30 primary teachers: 10 low, 10 medium, and 10 high auto-perceived digital competence.
- Instrument for data gathering.
- Data analysis:
  - Deductive content analysis
  - Contingency tables
  - Fisher's Exact Test
  - Hierarchical cluster analysis





# Preliminary findings

- **Pedagogical Knowledge (23 out of 30 participants):**

- Planification

“Know how to plan” (DF\_10\_186)

- Implementation

“Global knowledge of didactics. Different methodologies to teach and transmit this knowledge to students” (DF\_15\_113-114)

## Preliminary findings

- **Technological Knowledge (22 out of 30 participants):**

- Technological devices and software

“(...) I mean the everyday use of technology, like devices such as a computer or a tablet... Just knowing a little about what you can do with each of them” (DF\_02\_17-19)

- Digital ethics and citizenship

“A teacher should have very accurate knowledge about online security, password protection, and cybersecurity ” (DF\_01\_75)

- Digital navigation and communication

“Demonstrate agility and flexibility with technological innovations related to internet searches” (DF\_04\_94)



# Preliminary findings

- **Techno-pedagogical Knowledge (22 out of 30 participants):**

- Instructional design

“Integrate the use of technologies into students’ daily activities” (DF\_17\_163-166)

- Digital tools and resources

“Know different applications to organize information” (DF\_13\_10-11)

# Preliminary findings

- **Content Knowledge (15 out of 30 participants):**

- Teachers knowledge and skills

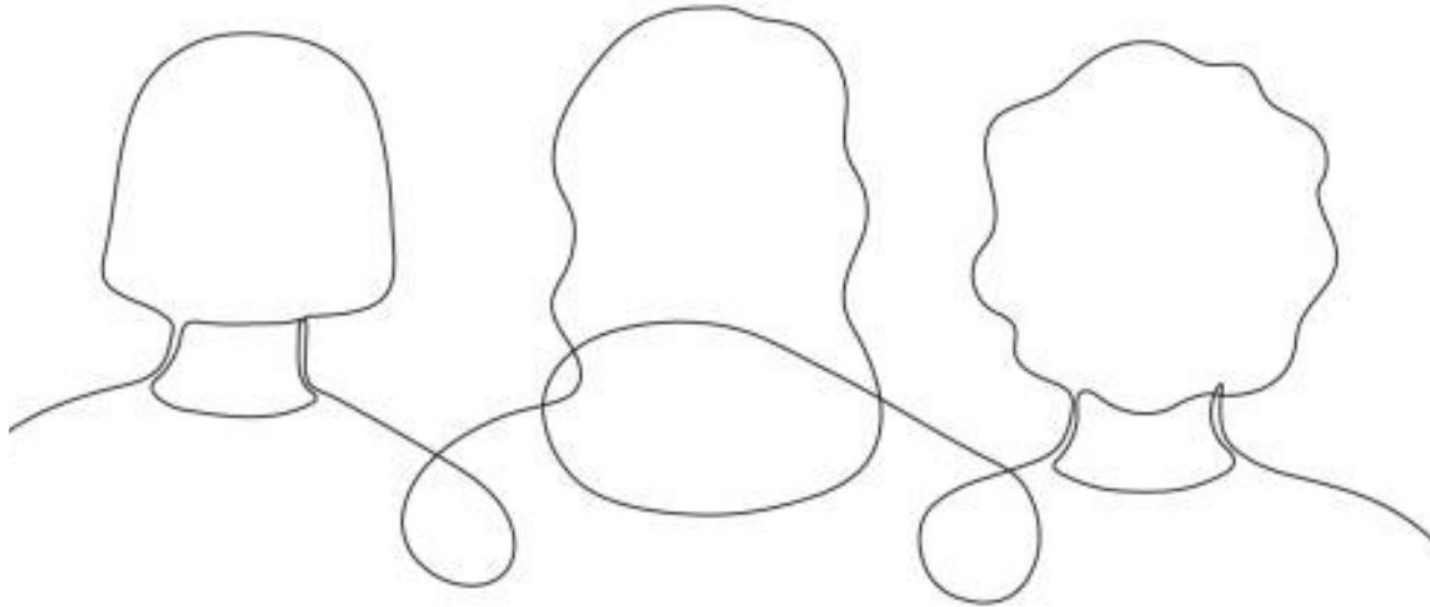
“The teacher must be a good example of an information literate adult” (DF\_23\_100)

- Primary students knowledge and skills

“Ensure that students know how to select and apply guided strategies to produce suitable messages for a specific communicative intention” (DF\_21\_81-83)

## Preliminary findings

Teachers' voices can be classified into these groups:



Technology-oriented

Pedagogy and  
context-oriented

Pedagogy and  
content-oriented

# Conclusions

- Insights for designing learning opportunities:
  - During initial teacher education
  - Integrating theory and practice
  - Incorporating teachers' voices
- “A profession-wide approach to the collective improvement of the practice”  
(Darling-Hammond, 2017).

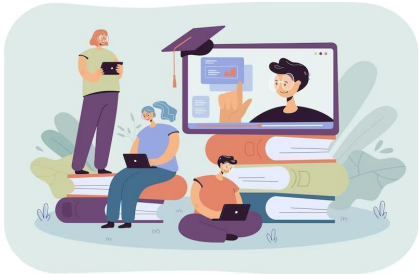
# Further research



- Researching other contexts.



- Teachers voices' regarding other competencies.



- Collecting voices of other stakeholders.

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# Thank you for your time!

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