Reviewer's report

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Major Compulsory Revisions

The authors still need to provide additional detail -- such as a figure or table summarizing the curricular elements and timeline -- given the centrality of the curriculum to their manuscript. A summarizing curriculum table or figure (at minimum) would help to address this gap.

Minor Essential Revisions

The authors need to include P values for each of the pre-test/post-test results in parentheses in Section 4.3.

The phrase "self-assessment skills" should be replaced throughout by "self-assessment of skills".

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.