

# **Ralph W. Tyler's Model—Critique, Clarification and Suggestions**

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Although Ralph W. Tyler played a decisive role in the curriculum field, he had been the target of critical discourses. Critiques were attributed to both the sin of contemporary intellectual characteristics and the extreme development of Tyler's model to himself. But in fact, some of these critiques might base on excessive simplification and garbled accounts of the text.

This article is to exemplify the negative image and meaning of Tyler and Tyler's model in some critical discourses; then it analyzes how the tactics of discursive formation made the negative image and meaning of Tyler and Tyler's model. After that, some relevant discourses will be presented to clarify the truth of the scapegoat. Finally, the author will bring up some suggestions of "principles of critique".

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