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Workshop on medical curriculum structures construction

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St George's University of London

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Goals

- To discuss in-depth the medical and healthcare curricula structures in accordance with international standards and recommendations.

- To get relevant feedback describing expected medical curricula shapes.

Workshop timetable

10 min	M. Komenda Czech language	MEDCIN project introduction & Workshop scenario
50 min	Participants Czech language	Curriculum construction in working groups
8 min	Ch. Vaitsis English language	Karolinska Institutet: Curriculum structure overview
8 min	L. Woodham English language	St George's University: Curriculum structure overview
8 min	D. Spachos English language	Aristotle University: Curriculum structure overview
20 min	Participants Czech language	Short presentation of created curriculum structures

Learning outcomes

- To understand medical and healthcare curriculum building blocks and descriptive attributes.
- To construct own curriculum in accordance with international standards and recommendations.
- To explore hidden relations and information-rich content in curriculum data.

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Project introduction

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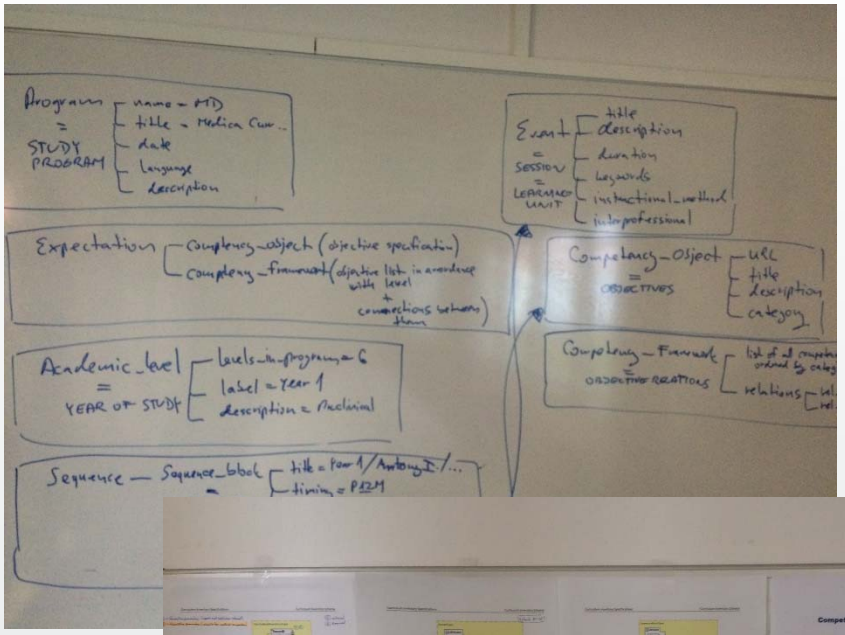
- Guidelines on medical curriculum standardization
- Standardization of OPTIMED
- Advanced methodology
- Analysis, evaluation, mapping and comparison of medical curricula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Expectation
Competency_object (objective specification)
Competency_framework (objective list in accordance with level + connections between them)
Competency_Object
OBJECTIVES
URL
title
description
category
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YEAR OF STUDY
levels_in_program = 6
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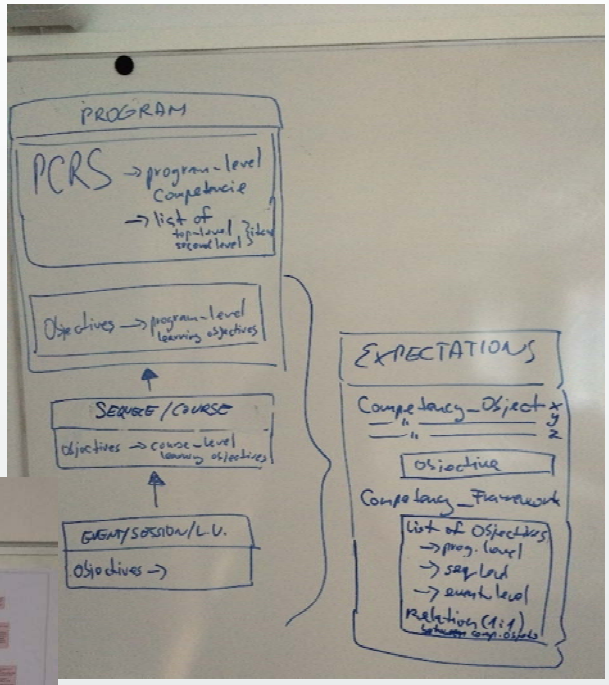
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→ list of top-level titles
Objectives → program-level learning objectives
SEQUENCE / COURSE
objectives → course-level learning objectives
EVENT/SESSION/L.U.
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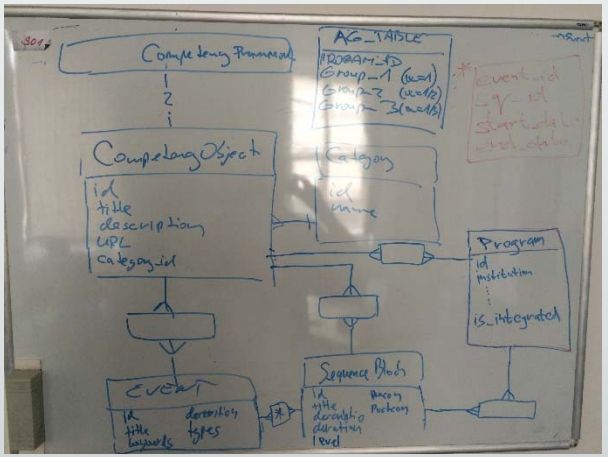
Competency Object Example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types
Sequence Block
id
title
duration
level

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Curriculum construction in working groups

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Workshop scenario

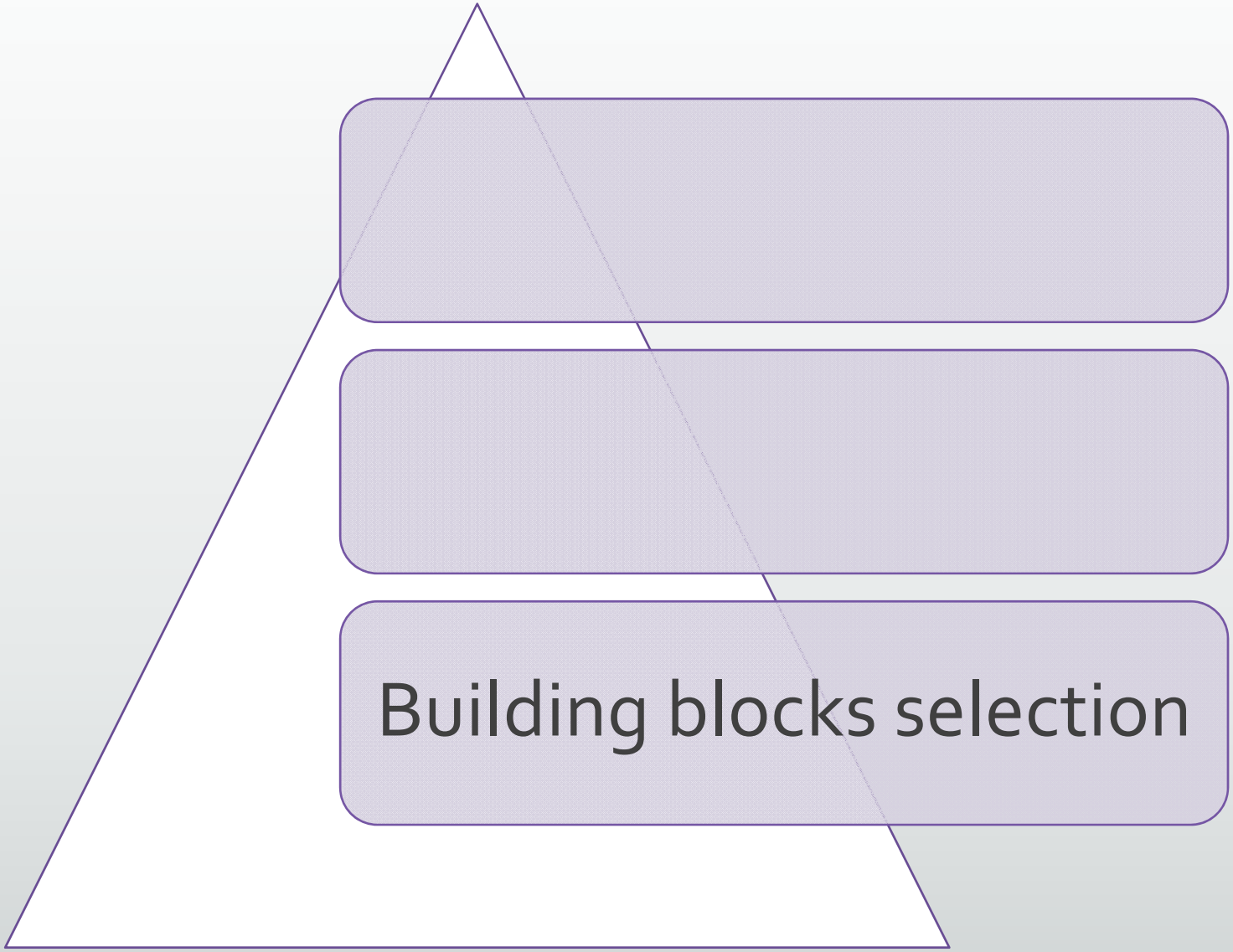
You are a management member of a new virtual medical and healthcare faculty.

The first issue which you must deal with is to define a curriculum structure using available building blocks and descriptive attributes.

There is a need for an exact graduate profile using selected curriculum attributes.

Benefits of structured curriculum

- From students' perspective: To understand the global structure of selected study field and what topics will be taught in a given time period.
- From teachers' perspective: To identify missing and overlapping topics across selected study field.
- From management perspective: To overview the entire study field including detailed content evaluation and visualization reports.



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Part I: Building blocks selection

Building blocks	Description
Study program	General medicine
Medical and health discipline	Anatomy
Sequence block	Course, Module, Unit, Block, Clerkship
Event	Instructional or Assessment Session
Competence	Learning outcomes, competencies, learning objectives, professional roles, topics, classifications

Including examples

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Study program
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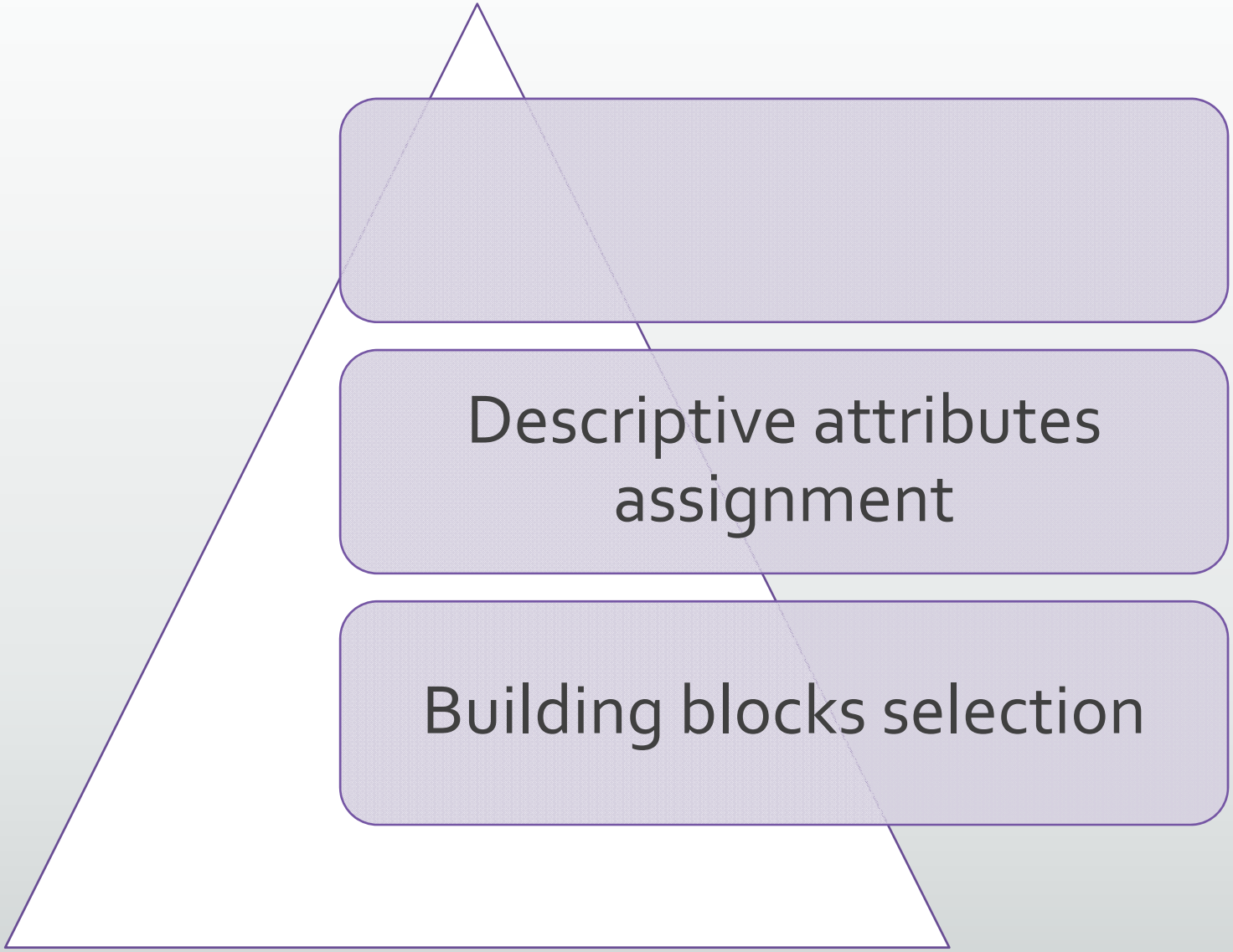
Descriptive attributes assignment
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Building blocks selection
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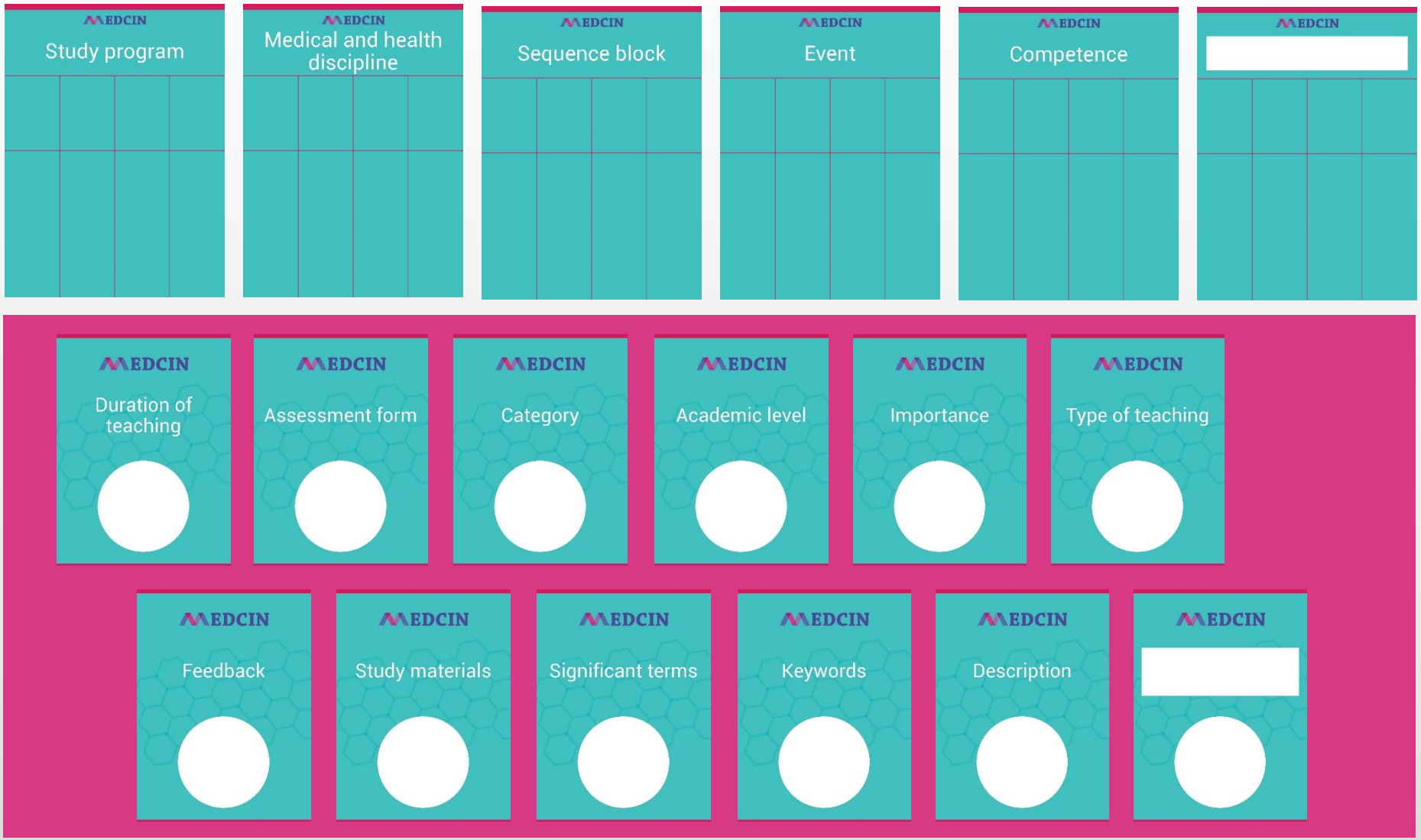
Part II: Descriptive attributes assignment

Parameters	Description
Category	Program-level, Competency-level, Sequence block-level
Assessment form	Form of evaluation
Duration of teaching	In hours
Type of teaching	E.g. lecture, seminar, clinical practice, self-study, etc.
Importance	Initial brief explanation (why a building block occurs, and if so what follows the target)
Description	Short summary of a building block along with educational goals and instructions description
Keywords	Free text based or standardized keyword form
Significant terms	Fundamental topic contained and explained during teaching period in a tree structure
Study materials	Recommended literature or e-learning information source
Feedback	Private message to curriculum designer
Academic level	Year of curriculum



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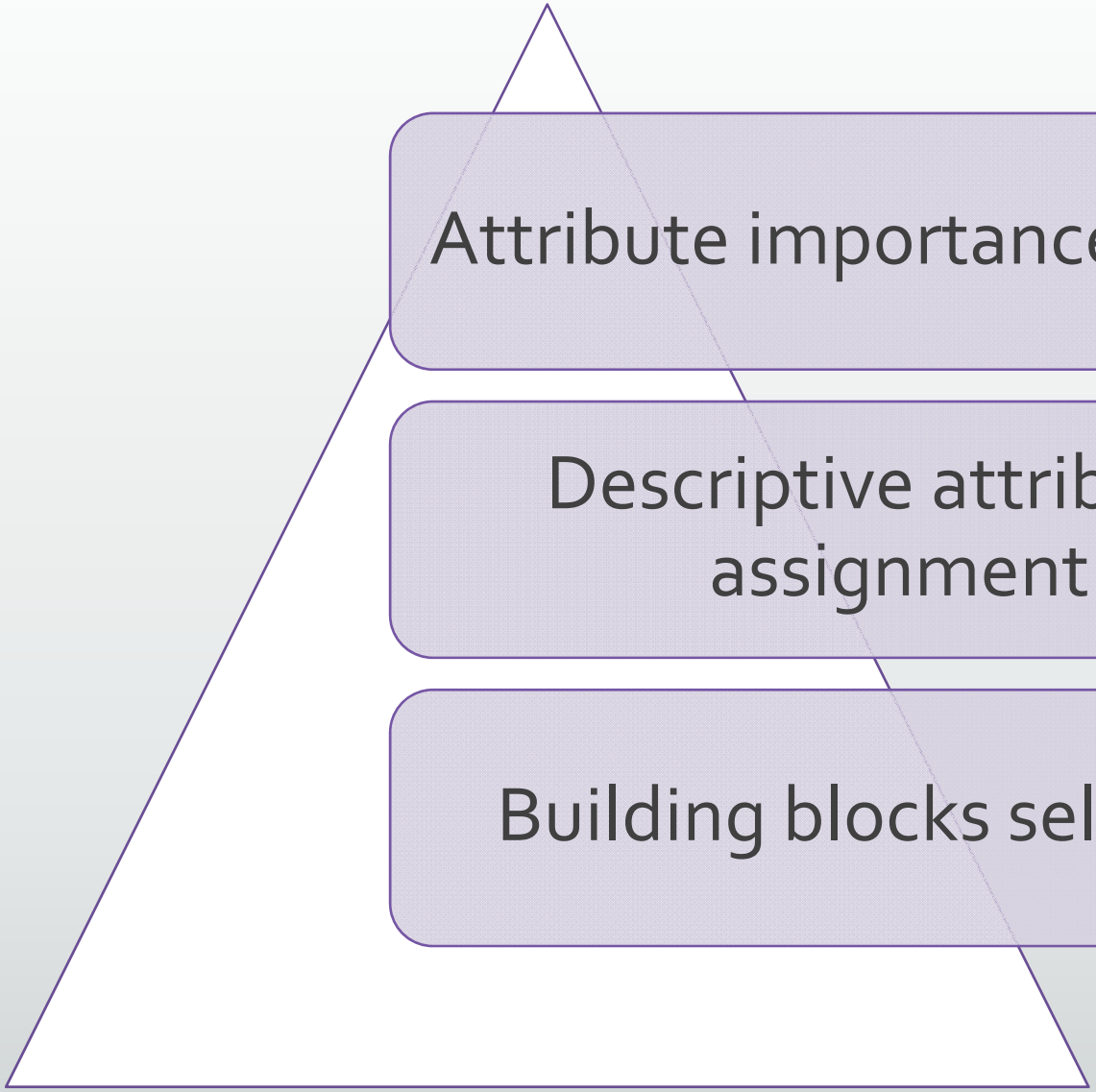
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Part III: Attribute importance setting

Use scale from 1 to 5

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Curriculum structure overview

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Short presentations

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