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Plagiarism phenomena

1.0   INTRODUCTION

Plagiarism is defined as presenting someone else's work, including the work of other students, as one's own. Any ideas or materials taken from another source for either written or oral use must be fully acknowledged, unless the information is common knowledge. What is considered "common knowledge" may differ from course to course.

According to new dictionary of Culture Literacy, plagiarisms are the act of taking the writings of another person and passing them off as one's own. Plagiarism occurs when a writer duplicates another writer's language or ideas and then calls the work his or her own. Copyright laws protect writer's words as their legal property. In our study, we are focusing on the understanding of plagiarism among the student in University Technology Mara Kota Samarahan.

Chapter 2

LITERATURE REVIEW AND CONCEPTUAL

FRAMEWORK

2.0   Literature review

This chapter provides a review of the literature on the plagiarisms habit among the freshman which in part 6 students in diploma of public administration in the faculty of administrative science and policies study of University Technology Mara (UiTM) Kota Samarahan, Sarawak that highlights the factors that cause they commits plagiarism.

2.1   Introduction

This research is specifically been conduct by part 6 student of Diploma in Public Administration for the purpose of knowing the reading habits of the students in the Diploma of Public Administration in University Technology Mara (UiTM) Sarawak. University Technology Mara (UiTM) is one of the higher learning institutions (IPTA) in Malaysia.

5.3   CONCLUSIONS

This study was conducted in an attempt to enhance our understanding about plagiarism habits and attitudes of the university students in Malaysia focusing on a case of a public university. In this effort final students from Diploma of Public Administration from the Faculty of Administrative Science and Policies Study were chosen as the respondents. In the overall analysis, the results indicates that final students spend quite a significant amount of time searching and analyzing newspapers, academic books, and web sites. This has also become a major activity during their leisure time.

The amount of time spent on searching and analyzing by the university students is seen as higher than the average individual adults surveyed in the past. This group is expected to searching and analyzing more due to their engagement in the academic process that requires them to searching and analyzing. This engagement may have resulted in their reading materials that are less fictional and more academic in nature. On the other hand, the web site is seen as an increasingly important reading source for their studies.