



Characteristic of Lifelong Learning among Students in a Public University in Malaysia: A Preliminary Study

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Abstract.

Lifelong learning has been the habit of successful people since the beginning of time. In Higher Education, lifelong learning seeks to explore how universities and colleges can prepare their students for lifelong learning. The importance of lifelong learning in education has been mentioned in several policies in Malaysia including the Blueprint on Enculturation of Lifelong Learning for Malaysia 2011-2020, Malaysia Education Blueprint 2015-2025 (Higher Education) and the government has allocated quite a budget to support this lifelong learning in education system. Studies regarding lifelong learning in education system had indicated several issues including lack of lifelong learning implementation, low usage of teaching approach towards lifelong learning and lack in skills related to lifelong learning. Lack of knowledge and information on this learning approach may affect the aim in implementing lifelong learning among the students. A quantitative survey research method will be use in this study and the data will be analyzed using descriptive analysis and inference analysis. It will be conducted to identify the characteristics on lifelong learning among Bachelor's degree students in a public university in Malaysia to have better understanding on the current situation, which may facilitate the objectives of lifelong learning as proposed in the mentioned policies.

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