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Exploring Theoretical and Empirical Perspectives on EFL Speaking Instruction: Peer Assessment and Non-Scripted Role-Play Activities

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Abstract

Improving students' speaking proficiency in English as a Foreign Language (EFL) contexts remains a central concern in language education, with numerous approaches discussed in the literature. Among these, peer assessment (PA) and non-scripted role-play (NSRP) activities have been identified as potentially effective strategies. This article reviews theoretical and empirical studies to examine how PA and NSRP may support the development of EFL learners' oral performance. The integration of these pedagogical strategies is frequently associated with enhanced language acquisition, improved communicative competence, and increased learner engagement. The literature suggests that PA can promote critical thinking and self-regulation while fostering collaborative learning, and that NSRP activities offer opportunities for authentic language use. The discussion is grounded in constructivist learning theories, which emphasize the importance of social interaction in the learning process. Definitions and applications of PA and NSRP in EFL settings are explored, and their potential synergy is highlighted. A conceptual framework is proposed to assist educators in considering how these strategies might be implemented in practice. Finally, the review discusses common challenges such as bias, feedback quality, and learner motivation, along with possible ways to address them. The article concludes by suggesting that PA and NSRP hold promise for enhancing oral proficiency in EFL contexts and may warrant further attention in language education research and practice.

Keywords: Peer Assessment (PA), Non-Scripted Role-Play (NSRP) Activities, EFL Learners, English Oral Performance

1. INTRODUCTION

Teaching English as a Foreign Language (EFL) has undergone significant transformations in recent years, driven by the need for more effective and engaging pedagogical approaches. Traditional methods often emphasized rote memorization and grammar drills, which, while beneficial in certain contexts, failed to prepare learners for real-world communication adequately. In contrast, contemporary approaches prioritize communicative competence, focusing on the ability to use language effectively in various social contexts. Among the myriad strategies available to teachers, peer assessment (PA) and non-scripted role-play (NSRP) activities have emerged as particularly effective tools for enhancing learners' oral performance.

PA involves students evaluating each other's work and providing feedback that can lead to improved understanding and performance. This method not only fosters a sense of accountability among learners but also encourages them to reflect critically on their own language use. Studies

have shown that PA can significantly improve learners' writing and speaking skills, promoting a collaborative learning environment where students actively engage with one another's performances (Birjandi & Hadidi Tamjid, 2012; Omarkaly & Tamer, 2021).

On the other hand, NSRP activities allow learners to practice language skills in authentic contexts, encouraging spontaneity and creativity. Unlike scripted role-plays, which may limit learners' ability to think on their feet, NSRP activities provide a dynamic platform for learners to navigate real-life communication scenarios, thereby enhancing their fluency and confidence (Ho & Savignon, 2007).

This article aims to explore the theoretical frameworks and empirical evidence that support the integration of PA and NSRP in EFL contexts. By synthesizing existing literature, the article explains how these pedagogical strategies can foster language acquisition, improve communicative competence, and promote learner engagement. The subsequent sections delve into the definitions and applications of PA and NSRP, examine their collaborative effects, and propose an operational framework for teachers. Additionally, the article addresses the challenges and considerations associated with implementing these strategies, ultimately concluding with recommendations for future studies and practice.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW OF PA AND NSRP ACTIVITIES

The studies on PA reveal a growing recognition of its potential to enhance language learning outcomes. PA is defined as a process in which students evaluate the work of their peers, providing feedback that can lead to improved performance and a deeper understanding of the subject matter. This approach aligns with constructivist principles, emphasizing the importance of social interaction in the learning process (Zhang, 2022). Studies have consistently indicated that PA can foster critical thinking, self-regulation, and collaborative learning among EFL learners (Al-Rashidi et al., 2022; Ebrahimi et al., 2021). For instance, studies have demonstrated that students who engage in PA develop a greater awareness of performance criteria and become more reflective in their learning processes (Kukulska-Hulme & Viberg, 2018).

In addition to its cognitive benefits, PA has been proven to boost learners' motivation and engagement. When students are involved in the assessment process, they are more likely to take ownership of their learning and invest effort into improving their language skills (Nguyen, 2017). Furthermore, the collaborative nature of PA fosters a sense of community among learners, encouraging them to support one another in their language development (Razak & Saeed, 2014). However, challenges such as bias in evaluations and the potential for negative peer dynamics must be addressed to maximize the effectiveness of PA in EFL contexts (Rahmatillah & Fajrita, 2022).

NSRP activities, on the other hand, provide a dynamic platform for learners to practice language skills in authentic contexts. NSRP is defined as a pedagogical approach that allows learners to engage in spontaneous, unscripted interactions that mimic real-life communication scenarios. This method encourages learners to think on their feet, adapt their language use to various contexts, and develop their fluency and confidence (Ho & Savignon, 2007). Studies show that NSRP activities can significantly enhance learners' speaking abilities, as they provide opportunities for authentic language use and promote engagement in the learning process (Farrokhi et al., 2012; Ghanbari & Barati, 2020).

Moreover, NSRP activities can be effectively integrated with PA to create a collaborative effect that maximizes the benefits of both methodologies. When learners engage in role-play and subsequently assess each other's performances, they not only reinforce their language skills but also develop critical thinking and self-regulation (Xu & Peng, 2022). The combination of PA and NSRP fosters a collaborative learning environment where learners can experiment with language use, receive constructive feedback, and reflect on their performances, ultimately leading to improved oral proficiency (Mowlaie & Maftoon, 2015).

3. THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

The theoretical framework for this study is grounded in constructivist learning theories, which emphasize the importance of social interaction and collaboration in the learning process. Vygotsky's social constructivism posits that learning occurs through social interactions, where learners co-construct knowledge and skills (Vygotsky, 1978). This perspective aligns with the principles of PA, as learners engage with one another to evaluate and provide feedback on their performances. By participating in PA, learners are encouraged to reflect on their own language use and develop a deeper understanding of performance criteria, ultimately enhancing their language skills (Morgan et al., 2014).

In addition to social constructivism, collaborative learning theory provides a valuable lens through which to examine the integration of PA and NSRP. Collaborative learning emphasizes the importance of peer interaction and dialogue in the learning process, suggesting that learners benefit from working together to achieve common goals (Johnson et al., 2014). This theory supports the notion that PA and NSRP can create a supportive learning environment where learners feel empowered to take risks and experiment with language use.

Furthermore, the integration of PA and NSRP can be understood through the lens of formative assessment theory. Formative assessment is characterized by ongoing feedback and reflection, allowing learners to monitor their progress and adjust their learning strategies (Clark, 2012). By incorporating PA into NSRP activities, teachers can provide learners with immediate feedback that is essential for language development. This approach not only enhances learners' speaking abilities but also promotes a culture of continuous improvement and self-regulation (Li et al., 2010).

3.1. PA in EFL Contexts

PA has gained considerable attention in EFL contexts as a valuable pedagogical tool for enhancing language learning outcomes. Defined as a process in which students evaluate the work of their peers and provide feedback, PA fosters a collaborative learning environment that encourages active engagement and critical reflection (van Zundert et al., 2010). Studies have evidenced that PA can significantly improve learners' writing and speaking skills, as it promotes a deeper understanding of performance criteria and encourages learners to take ownership of their learning (Alsehibany, 2024; Khalil, 2018).

In EFL contexts, PA has been confirmed to boost learners' motivation and engagement. Studies specify that when students are involved in the assessment process, they are more likely to invest effort into improving their language skills and take responsibility for their learning (Gan, 2020). Additionally, PA fosters a sense of community among learners, as they support one another in their language development and share insights on their performances (Astuti & Lammers, 2020). However, challenges such as bias in evaluations and the potential for negative peer dynamics must be addressed to maximize the effectiveness of PA in EFL contexts (Azarnoosh, 2013).

The implementation of PA in EFL classrooms can take various forms, including peer feedback on writing assignments, oral presentations, and group projects. Studies have demonstrated that PA can lead to significant improvements in learners' writing performance, as students engage in critical evaluation of their peers' work (Omarkaly & Tamer, 2021; Zhang, 2022). Furthermore, studies have shown that PA can enhance learners' speaking abilities, as it encourages them to articulate their thoughts and provide constructive feedback to their peers (Ebrahimi et al., 2021; Nejad & Mahfoodh, 2019).

Despite its numerous benefits, the successful implementation of PA in EFL contexts requires careful planning and facilitation by teachers. Teachers must provide clear guidelines and training to help students understand the assessment criteria and minimize bias in their evaluations (Kukulska-Hulme & Viberg, 2018). Additionally, teachers should create a supportive learning environment that encourages open communication and constructive criticism among peers, ultimately fostering a culture of collaboration and continuous improvement (Rahmatillah & Fajrita, 2022).

3.2. NSRP Activities

NSRP activities represent a dynamic pedagogical approach that encourages learners to engage in spontaneous, unscripted interactions that mimic real-life communication scenarios. Unlike scripted role-plays, which may limit learners' ability to think on their feet, NSRP activities provide a platform for learners to navigate authentic language use, enhancing their fluency and confidence in speaking (Ho & Savignon, 2007). Studies suggest that NSRP activities can significantly improve learners' speaking abilities, as they provide opportunities for authentic language use and promote engagement in the learning process (Farrokhi et al., 2012; Ghanbari & Barati, 2020).

The definition of NSRP activities encompasses a range of interactive tasks that allow learners to assume different roles and engage in dialogue with their peers. These activities can take various forms, including simulations, improvisations, and real-life scenarios that require learners to communicate effectively in English. Studies have discovered that NSRP activities can enhance learners' pragmatic competence, allowing them to navigate social interactions more effectively (Alikhani, 2017). Furthermore, NSRP activities provide a safe environment for learners to experiment with language, reducing anxiety associated with speaking in a foreign language (Lee et al., 2018).

The integration of NSRP activities with PA can create a collaborative effect that maximizes the benefits of both methodologies. When learners engage in role-play and subsequently assess each other's performances, they not only reinforce their language skills but

also develop critical thinking and self-regulation (Xu & Peng, 2022). The combination of PA and NSRP fosters a collaborative learning environment where learners can experiment with language use, receive constructive feedback, and reflect on their performances, ultimately leading to improved oral proficiency (Mowlaie & Maftoon, 2015).

Despite the numerous advantages of NSRP activities, challenges related to implementation must be addressed. Teachers must carefully design role-play scenarios that are relevant and engaging for learners, ensuring that they align with the learners' language proficiency levels and interests (Zhao, 2010). Additionally, teachers should provide clear guidelines and support to help learners navigate the role-play process effectively, fostering a positive and productive learning environment (Khalil, 2018).

3.3 The Collaborative Effect of PA and NSRP Activities

The integration of PA and NSRP activities can create a powerful learning environment that fosters language acquisition and develops oral performance. By engaging in role-play, learners can practice language skills in context, while PA allows them to receive constructive feedback on their performances. This dual approach not only reinforces language skills but also promotes critical thinking and self-regulation (Li et al., 2010).

Studies reveal that the combination of PA and NSRP can lead to significant improvements in learners' speaking abilities. For instance, studies have shown that learners who participate in both PA and role-play activities demonstrate greater gains in oral proficiency compared to those who engage in either activity alone (Jhangiani, 2016; Ulla & Winitkun, 2017). The collaborative effect of these methodologies can be attributed to the collaborative nature of the learning experience, where learners support one another in their language development and share insights on their performances (Xu & Peng, 2022).

Moreover, the integration of PA and NSRP activities can boost learners' motivation and engagement. When students are actively involved in both assessing their peers and participating in role-play, they are more likely to take ownership of their learning and invest effort into improving their language skills (Gan, 2020). This sense of agency can lead to increased confidence and a greater willingness to take risks in language use, ultimately contributing to improved oral performance (Astuti & Lammers, 2020).

Despite the numerous benefits associated with the integration of PA and NSRP, challenges related to implementation must be addressed. Teachers must carefully design activities that are relevant and engaging for learners, ensuring that they align with the learners' language proficiency levels and interests (Zhao, 2010). Additionally, teachers should provide clear guidelines and support to help learners navigate the assessment process effectively, fostering a positive and productive learning environment (Khalil, 2018).

3.4. Suggested Operational Framework

To effectively implement PA and NSRP activities in EFL contexts, teachers can adopt this suggested operational framework that includes several key components. First, teachers should

establish clear learning objectives that align with the goals of both PA and NSRP activities. These objectives should focus on enhancing learners' speaking skills, promoting critical thinking, and fostering collaboration among peers (Mowlaie & Maftoon, 2015). Additionally, the incorporation of learner-centered content can significantly boost engagement and motivation, as it allows students to take ownership of their learning process (Lambert & Zhang, 2019). Furthermore, the role of teachers in facilitating active learning environments is crucial; Studies imply that teacher support positively influences academic engagement and motivation among EFL learners (Sadoughi & Hejazi, 2021). Moreover, the use of multimedia and audio-visual materials can stimulate interest and engagement, making the learning experience more dynamic and effective (Bakare, 2024). Engaging students in collaborative learning activities has also been ascertained to boost their motivation and language proficiency, as it encourages peer interaction and support (Zhong, 2024). Lastly, understanding the emotional aspects of student engagement can help teachers tailor their approaches to meet the diverse needs of learners, thereby fostering a more inclusive and effective learning environment (Sun et al., 2021).

Second, teachers should design engaging and relevant role-play scenarios that reflect real-life communication situations. These scenarios should be tailored to the learners' language proficiency levels and interests, ensuring that they provide opportunities for authentic language use. The integration of role-play in language education has been revealed to enhance communicative competence and foster a more interactive learning environment. Studies indicate that role-play activities not only engage students but also promote their confidence and fluency in using the target language (Nikmah & Zami, 2019; Rojas & Villafuerte, 2018). Furthermore, the use of authentic contexts and tasks in role-play scenarios allows learners to practice language skills in a meaningful way, bridging the gap between classroom learning and real-world application (Hua & Le, 2024; Sun & Yang, 2013). This approach aligns with the principles of Communicative Language Teaching (CLT), which emphasizes the importance of interaction and practical language use in language acquisition (Ampatuan & Jose, 2016). Additionally, teachers should provide clear guidelines and support to help learners navigate the role-play process effectively, fostering a positive and productive learning environment (Khalil, 2018).

Third, teachers should incorporate structured PA processes that encourage learners to provide constructive feedback on their peers' performances. This can be achieved through the use of rubrics that outline specific criteria for evaluation, ensuring that feedback is focused and actionable (Al-Rashidi et al., 2022). Teachers should also provide training and support to help learners understand the assessment criteria and minimize bias in their evaluations (Rahmatillah & Fajrita, 2022). Furthermore, the implementation of structured feedback mechanisms has been shown to enrich the quality of PA, leading to improved learning outcomes (Bizhang et al., 2024). Studies indicate that when students are trained in the use of rubrics, they are better equipped to deliver constructive feedback, which in turn fosters a more collaborative learning environment (Lertsakulbunlue & Kantiwong, 2024). Additionally, the role of constructive feedback in educational settings cannot be overstated. Al-Hattami (2019) emphasizes that constructive feedback is essential for student development, as it helps learners identify areas for improvement and encourages a growth mindset. Moreover, studies have proven that peer feedback can be as valuable as teachers' feedback, particularly in developing critical thinking and self-assessment skills (Andrews et al., 2019). The integration of PA not only promotes engagement but also enhances students' ability to reflect on their learning processes (Double et al., 2020). Lastly,

ongoing Studies into the psychometric properties of PA tools suggest that well-designed rubrics can significantly improve the reliability and validity of peer evaluations (Xiong et al., 2023).

Finally, teachers should create a supportive classroom environment that encourages open communication and collaboration among learners. This can be achieved through the establishment of ground rules for providing and receiving feedback, as well as fostering a culture of respect and trust within the classroom (Astuti & Lammers, 2020). By implementing this operational framework, teachers can effectively integrate PA and NSRP activities into their EFL instruction, ultimately enhancing learners' oral performance and language skills. Studies signify that a supportive environment significantly augments the effectiveness of PA by reducing anxiety and promoting constructive feedback among peers (Azarnoosh, 2013). Furthermore, the establishment of clear guidelines for feedback can help mitigate biases and improve the reliability of peer evaluations (Saito & Fujita, 2009). Additionally, fostering positive social relationships among students has been indicated to increase engagement and motivation in language learning (Zelenková & Hanesová, 2019). Teachers can also benefit from training in PA strategies to better facilitate these processes and create a more inclusive atmosphere (Kumar et al., 2023). The integration of structured PA processes not only encourages collaboration but also empowers students to take ownership of their learning, leading to improved self-regulation and critical thinking skills (Fathi et al., 2019). Ultimately, by prioritizing a supportive classroom environment, teachers can maximize the benefits of PA and NSRP activities, thereby enhancing the overall language learning experience for their students.

4. CHALLENGES AND CONSIDERATIONS

Despite the numerous benefits associated with PA and NSRP activities, several challenges must be addressed to ensure their effective implementation in EFL contexts. One significant challenge is the potential for bias in peer evaluations, as friendship dynamics and personal relationships can influence the objectivity of assessments (Rahmatillah & Fajrita, 2022). Teachers must provide clear guidelines and training to help students understand the assessment criteria and minimize bias in their evaluations.

Another challenge is the quality of feedback provided during PA. Studies have presented that learners may struggle to provide constructive feedback, particularly if they lack experience or confidence in their own language abilities (Azarnoosh, 2013). To address this issue, teachers should provide training and support to help learners develop their feedback skills, ensuring that they are equipped to provide meaningful and actionable insights to their peers (Khalil, 2018).

Additionally, the implementation of PA and NSRP activities requires careful planning and facilitation by instructors. Teachers must create a supportive learning environment that encourages open communication and constructive criticism among peers, ultimately fostering a culture of collaboration and continuous improvement (Astuti & Lammers, 2020). This may involve establishing ground rules for providing and receiving feedback, as well as fostering a sense of trust and respect within the classroom.

Finally, teachers must consider the diverse needs and backgrounds of their learners when implementing PA and NSRP activities. Factors such as language proficiency, cultural differences, and individual learning styles can all influence the effectiveness of these methodologies (Ghanbari & Barati, 2020). Teachers should strive to create inclusive learning environments that accommodate the diverse needs of their students, ensuring that all learners have the opportunity to benefit from PA and role-play activities.

5. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

In conclusion, integrating PA and NSRP activities presents a promising approach to enhancing EFL learners' oral performance. Both methodologies are grounded in constructivist learning theories and have been supported by empirical evidence demonstrating their effectiveness in improving language skills. By fostering collaboration, critical thinking, and authentic communication, these strategies can significantly contribute to learners' overall language proficiency and confidence. The interactive nature of PA encourages students to engage with each other's work, providing constructive feedback that not only aids their peers but also reinforces their own understanding of language concepts. Similarly, NSRP activities immerse learners in realistic scenarios, allowing them to practice language skills in a context that mirrors real-life interactions. This dual approach not only improves linguistic competencies but also cultivates essential soft skills, such as teamwork and adaptability, which are crucial in today's globalized world.

To maximize the benefits of PA and NSRP, teachers need to create a supportive classroom environment that encourages open communication and trust among learners. Establishing clear guidelines for feedback and fostering a culture of respect will empower students to participate actively in the assessment process. Additionally, providing training on effective PA techniques can help minimize biases and improve the quality of feedback given. As teachers continue to explore innovative pedagogical approaches, the combination of PA and NSRP activities offers a valuable avenue for enhancing EFL instruction and learner outcomes. By prioritizing these strategies, teachers can create dynamic and engaging learning experiences that not only improve language proficiency but also prepare students for real-world communication challenges.

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Guidelines for Marketing Communication to Promote Community Tourism in Nang Loeng, Bangkok, Thailand

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Abstract

*This study examines the tourism behaviors exhibited by visitors to the Nang Loeng community in Bangkok and explores strategies for enhancing tourism through innovative methodologies and marketing communications. A mixed-methods approach was employed, involving 400 tourists who participated in community activities and a key informant group of 10 individuals comprising community leaders and local tourism operators. Data collection included questionnaires and interviews, and analysis utilized frequency, percentage, mean, standard deviation, and content analysis techniques. Findings reveal two key aspects: the former is **Tourist Behavior**. Tourists are drawn to Nang Loeng for its rich cultural lifestyle. Most visitors travel independently or in small groups of one to three and prefer visiting on weekends or public holidays. They primarily gather information through YouTube and online searches. The latter is **Marketing Communication Strategies**. To promote tourism, experiential marketing is vital, focusing on creating memorable experiences. Word-of-Mouth, digital, and sustainable marketing also play pivotal roles. Strategies should emphasize building awareness of Nang Loeng's appeal, fostering interest in its unique offerings, and cultivating a desire to explore its culture and history. These efforts aim to encourage trip planning and visits to the community. This research underscores the importance of integrating cultural immersion and engaging communication tactics to position Nang Loeng as a desirable and sustainable tourist destination*

Keywords: Marketing Communication, Community Tourism, Nang Loeng Community

1. INTRODUCTION

The tourism industry portrayed a vital role in the Thai economy in terms of supporting economic growth, creating job opportunities, developing infrastructure and conserving culture and environment. It was the most important source of foreign income, accounting for approximately 20% of GDP in 2023. This industry both directly and indirectly magnified a lot of employment opportunities for up to 4 million people. The jobs entailed from services in hotels and restaurants to transportation and tourism. Regarding the infrastructure development, the income from tourism was allocated for the improvement of airports, roads and public transportation with the intention to assist not only the tourists but also the quality of Thai citizens' lives (Puangsang & Tumchaiyangkul, 2023). Generally, tourism was considered to be an activity that crucially enriched human lives. Tawharanurak (2022) expressed that travelling was a major part playing in modern citizens' existence due to the circumstances and tension from today's ways of living. It was a recreation to help people relieve and recharge, and afterwards it could partly prepare them for the ability

to overcome any obstacles in life. Especially, the community-based tourism was another important segment that generated income and strengths to the local communities, profited from its preservation of nature and community identity which magnetized the tourists to visit.

The community-based tourism contributed numerous advantages. For instance, it straightly yielded revenues to the locals by selling products and services that embraced the community identity. Furthermore, people in the community were bound to value conserving and displaying their unique distinctiveness, reflected in the image of their communities. The community-based tourism initiated the collaboration among the residents, leading to further activities that extended their growth. Additionally, it offered educational chances to the community, strengthening local knowledge and sustainable self-development. The community-based tourism was therefore vastly important in respect of economics, society and culture which inspired a long-term advancement of the community (Puangsang, et al, 2024).

Thailand's reputation as a premier travel destination is bolstered by its abundant natural resources and vibrant cultural legacy. Among its many attractions, Nang Loeng distinguishes itself as one of the oldest communities, rich in historical and cultural significance. The area is home to a wealth of heritage sites including ancient temples, historical residences, and museums that enable visitors to experience traditional lifestyles and a bygone era. For example, its native architecture, featuring colorful perforated wood panels, continues to captivate sightseers, while the community's celebrated cuisine, with staples like rice gruel, savory crispy crepes, and unique local crafts, further enhances its appeal as a culinary destination. Collectively, these features have established Nang Loeng as an essential cultural and architectural landmark in Bangkok.

In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, Nang Loeng has been steadily reopening to tourists, highlighting the crucial role of marketing communications in reconnecting potential visitors with its community-based attractions. Without innovative and effective marketing strategies, there is a risk that tourists could be inadvertently sidelined, remaining unaware of the community's rich offerings. Thus, pioneering robust marketing tools is imperative not only for addressing these communication challenges but also for fostering sustainable tourism in the area.

This research seeks to explore effective marketing strategies that could elevate the profile of community-based tourism in Nang Loeng and attract a broader audience, ensuring that this historic community remains accessible and engaging to modern travelers. Beyond this study, it might be valuable to consider how digital transformation and social media platforms could further enhance local cultural promotion, potentially offering novel pathways for communities worldwide to preserve and share their heritage in an increasingly connected world.

Therefore, the current study has the following two objectives. One is to analyze the travel behaviors and preferences of visitors to Nang Loeng, a community-based tourist destination in Bangkok, for the understanding of what drives their travel choices, and the other is to investigate and refine strategic guidelines for marketing

Nang Loeng's unique cultural and historical attractions, ensuring effective communication that enhances tourism in this celebrated community.

2. LITERATURE REVIEWS

Recent studies highlight how marketing communication and community tourism increasingly intersect to enhance local experiences and cultural heritage. Community tourism centers on authentic engagement between visitors and residents, supporting local economies and boosting tourist satisfaction. Marketing communication is key in sharing these unique stories with a wider audience, increasing interest and participation. Below is a literature review that synthesizes recent research on Marketing Communication and Community Tourism as found in many scholars and researchers like Timothy, 2024; Sapkota et al., 2024; Parent et al., 2009; Veghes & Posescu, 2018; Hernández-Mogollón et al., 2019.

2.1 The Convergence of Marketing Communication and Community Tourism

The convergence of marketing communication and community tourism is increasingly recognized as a vital strategy for enhancing local experiences and promoting cultural heritage. Community tourism emphasizes authentic interactions between travellers and local residents, fostering economic sustainability and enriching visitor satisfaction. Marketing communication plays a crucial role in conveying these unique narratives to a global audience, thereby driving interest and engagement.

2.1.1 Community Tourism and Local Engagement

Community tourism focuses on authentic experiences, allowing travellers to engage deeply with local cultures and traditions (Timothy, 2024). It empowers local communities by involving them in tourism development, ensuring that benefits are equitably distributed (Sapkota et al., 2024). This approach enhances the quality of life for residents while providing tourists with immersive experiences that reflect the community's identity (Parent et al., 2009).

2.1.2 Marketing Communication Strategies

Effective marketing communication highlights the unique stories and cultural heritage of communities, attracting tourists seeking meaningful experiences (Veghes & Posescu, 2018). Digital platforms and social media are increasingly utilized to share local narratives, enhancing visibility and engagement with potential visitors (Hernández-Mogollón et al., 2019). By promoting community-driven tourism initiatives, marketing strategies can help counteract the negative impacts of mass tourism (Parent et al., 2009).

While the convergence of these fields offers significant benefits, it is essential to consider the potential for commercialization to overshadow authentic experiences,

which may lead to the dilution of local cultures and traditions. Balancing marketing efforts with genuine community engagement remains a critical challenge.

2.2 The Role of Integrated Marketing Communication in Community Tourism

Recent research in tourism management highlights the strategic integration of both traditional and digital marketing channels in promoting community-based attractions. Studies have indicated that storytelling, alongside visually engaging content and interactive platforms, effectively conveys the heritage and cultural narratives inherent to community tourism (Kotler & Keller, 2016; Sweeney & Soutar, 2001). Digital storytelling, often executed through social media, video content, and immersive virtual tours, has been shown to significantly enhance the authenticity of community tourism destinations, resulting in increased tourist engagement and loyalty (Xiang & Gretzel, 2010).

2.2.1 Impact on Tourist Behavior and Destination Image

Research published in the Journal of Travel Research provides empirical evidence on how marketing communications influence potential visitors' travel decisions. Digital touchpoints and word-of-mouth communications play critical roles in shaping destination perceptions, particularly in less commercialized settings (Miller et al., 2021). By leveraging user-generated content and localized narratives, community tourism attractions can build a strong destination image that attracts visitors while aligning with the values and expectations of modern travelers (Vermeulen & Seegers, 2009).

Table 1 Summary the Key Impacts of Marketing Communication on Tourist Behavior

<i>Aspect</i>	<i>Impact on Tourist Behavior</i>
<i>Awareness & Visibility</i>	Increases destination recognition and consideration
<i>Emotional Engagement</i>	Storytelling and branding create emotional bonds, influencing decision-making
<i>Digital Interactions</i>	High-quality, accessible content and social media sharing drive visits and eWOM
<i>Satisfaction</i>	Positive experiences and engagement lead to repeat visits and recommendations
<i>Cultural/Social/Environmental Fit</i>	Alignment with values enhances authenticity, reputation, and loyalty

2.2.2 Emphasizing Sustainability through Communication Strategies

Literature in the Journal of Sustainable Tourism emphasizes that effective marketing communication is essential for promoting sustainable tourism practices. Research demonstrates that when marketing strategies highlight local culture and environmental stewardship, tourists are more inclined to adopt responsible behaviors supporting the long-term sustainability of community resources (Chin et al., 2020). Campaigns integrating sustainability messages with community stories bridge the gap between tourism growth and resource preservation, ensuring community tourism initiatives remain viable while preserving local authenticity and environmental integrity.

3. The Service Dimension in Community Tourism Marketing

The *International Journal of Hospitality Management* contributes an essential perspective by linking marketing communication directly with service quality and visitor satisfaction. Studies reveal that coherent messaging, paired with high-quality, personalized hospitality services, enhances overall visitor experiences (Susskind, 2008). This dual focus on effective communication and service excellence not only creates memorable tourist experiences but also reinforces the community's brand identity, fostering repeat visitation and long-term engagement (Hsu & Powers, 2002).

3.1 Emerging Trends and Future Directions

Recent studies (Jin, K., et al., 2024; Hsu & Powers, 2002). are starting to explore emerging trends such as the use of big data analytics to evaluate the effectiveness of marketing campaigns, and the role of mobile applications in delivering real-time information to tourists. Integrating advanced digital technologies into marketing strategies presents new opportunities for community tourism. Future research directions include:

Comparative Analyses: Examining how various cultural contexts influence the effectiveness of marketing communications in community tourism.

Social Impact Metrics: Developing reliable indicators to measure how marketing strategies contribute to the socio-economic and environmental dimensions of sustainable tourism.

Innovative Digital Tools: Investigating the role of emerging technologies-such as augmented reality and interactive digital platforms-in enhancing the authenticity and accessibility of community-based attractions.

These evolving research themes signal a promising avenue for developing innovative, adaptive marketing frameworks that sustain community tourism in an increasingly digital world.

The reviewed literature reveals that the synergistic relationship between marketing communication and community tourism is instrumental in shaping tourist experiences, sustaining local cultures, and promoting economic development. By leveraging integrated marketing strategies that combine traditional narratives with evolving digital technologies, destinations can elevate their unique community offerings. This integration not only attracts a diverse tourist audience but also reinforces the cultural and environmental values that are foundational to community tourism

3. CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK

The conceptual framework was determined according to Dara and Thipapan's method of marketing communication for tourism (2010) and Don E. Schultz's integrated marketing communications theory (1994).

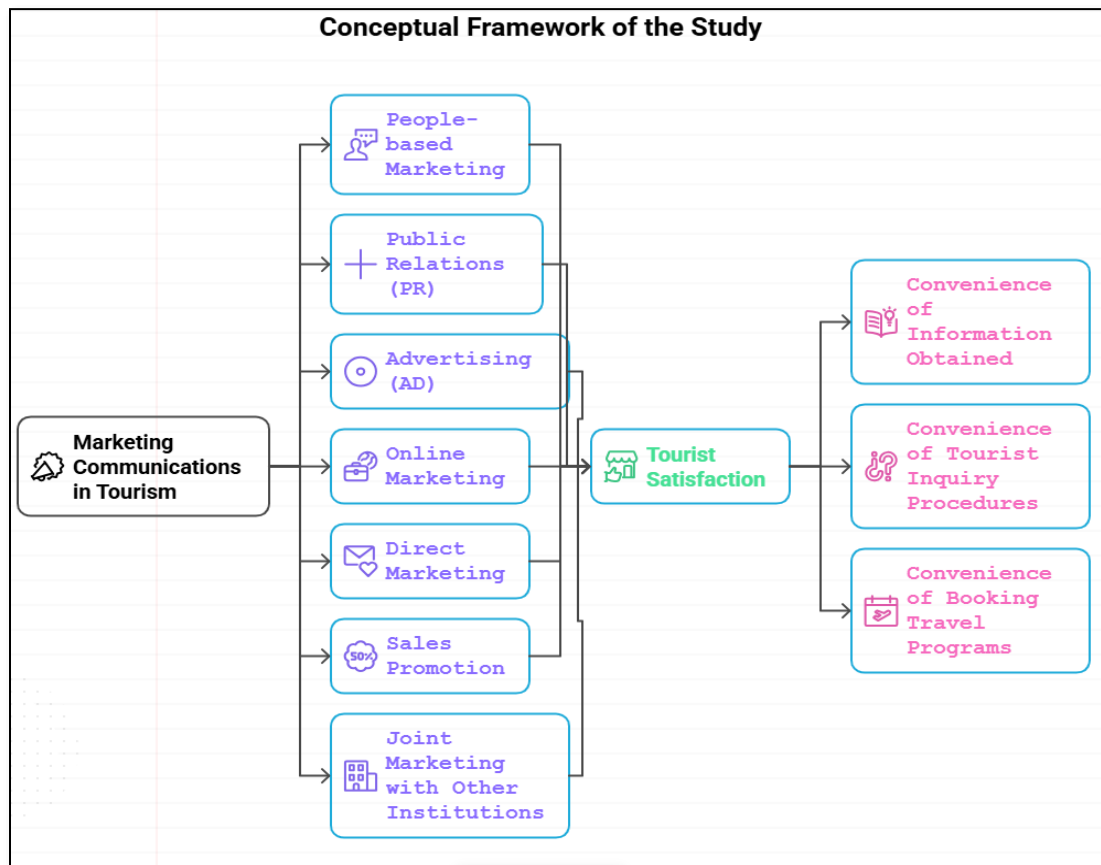


Figure 1: Conceptual Framework
“Marketing Communication Guidelines to Promote Nang Loeng, a Community-based Tourist Attraction in Bangkok, Thailand”

4. REAEARCH METHODOLOGY

The methodology was the mixed method between quantitative and qualitative research.

4.1 Sample Groups

There were two sample groups:

- 1) The sample groups for the quantitative research included 400 tourists who visited Nang Loeng community by utilizing the convenience sampling method.
- 2) The sample groups for the qualitative research comprised of 10 people from community leaders, tourism entrepreneurs in the area and tourists. The samples were selected by the purposive sampling method, given the criteria of the participants being the leaders in Nang Loeng, the entrepreneurs in tourism and the tourists who made a trip to Nang Loeng.

4.2 Research Instruments

The research instruments consisted of two sections:

- 1) **Quantitative data** collection tools were made up of questionnaires divided in three parts: 1) general information about the respondents 2) travel behavior information 3) marketing mix factors.

The research instruments were created and developed according to the following procedures:

1. Study concepts, theories and relevant research as fundamental information to identify the objectives and conceptual frameworks.
2. Determine operational definitions for the data entry design.
3. Draft an extensive questionnaire for data collection.
4. Submit the questionnaires to three experts in order to find content validity by the index of item objective congruence (IOC).

Formula: $IOC = \Sigma R/N$

Where; IOC = Item Objective Congruence

ΣR = Total scores from experts' opinions

N = Number of experts

The scores in calculations were determined by three scales of rating marks:

- +1: when the respondent had a definite feeling that the question was agreeable with the objectives
- 0: when the respondent was not certain whether the question was agreeable with the objectives
- 1: when the respondent had a definite feeling that the question was not agreeable with the objectives

Only the questions that had the IOC points ranging from 0.50 - 1.00 and the questions with less than 0.50 IOC points were selected for adjustments. The questions used for data collection were 0.60 - 1.00 IOC points.

5. The questions were adjusted conforming to the suggestions before distributing to 30 people in the sample groups residing in the nearby areas that shared similarities to the actual sample groups as a way to validate the reliability of the questionnaires by using Cronbach's Alpha Coefficient (α - Coefficient). The overall result equaled 0.832.

2) Qualitative data collection tool was semi- structured interview which conducted to collect data by the in-depth interviews with 10 interviewees for detailed information. The interview forms and questions were submitted to the experts for examination and adjustments before the actual undertaking.

4.3 Data Collection

1) Quantitative data collection was applied to collect data via questionnaires. Four hundred respondents were the locals and tourists in the community.

2) Qualitative data collection was collected by in-depth interviews with 10 of the community leaders, tourism entrepreneurs and tourists. Individual interviews were conducted without concrete structures, recorded by both writing and recording. The interviewees were ensured to grant permission to the interviewer before recording.

4.4 Data Analysis

To analyze the quantitative data, descriptive statistics were employed by considering frequency, percentage, means and standard variation (SD). The level criteria for the analysis of means were as followed:

4.51 – 5.00	Highest
3.51 – 4.50	High
2.51 – 3.50	Moderate
1.51 – 2.50	Low
1.00 – 1.50	Lowest

The qualitative data including information from the interviews were compiled and checked for quality based on the triangulation method and assessed by content analysis in consonance with the topics focused in the research.

5. FINDINGS

5.1 Tourists' Travel Behaviors towards Nang Loeng Community

The survey of 400 respondents indicated that 66% were female and 34% were male. Regarding educational attainment, 14% held qualifications higher than a bachelor's degree, 48.67% held a bachelor's degree, and 37.33% had qualifications below that level. The majority (42%) were aged between 26 and 35 years, with 40% identifying as single and 59% reporting no children. Employment data revealed that 38% worked in the private sector, while 49.33% reported a monthly income ranging between 20,001 and 30,000 THB. Notably, 65.33% of the tourists were first-time visitors to Nang Loeng. Observations on travel behavior showed that 60.66% visited the area primarily to experience local culture and lifestyles. Most traveled alone or in small groups (1–3 people), accounting for 64.86%. In terms of transportation, 49% used personal vehicles, and 61% preferred traveling on weekends or public holidays. YouTube and online search engines emerged as the primary sources of travel information, referenced by 60% of respondents.

Opinion levels on the 7Ps marketing mix factors showed that the sample groups were rated at the level of ($\bar{x} = 3.54$), and the overall opinion regarding 7Ps marketing mix was at the high level with the overall standard variation (SD) stood at 0.75. Considering each factor, *Product* was ranged at the highest level ($\bar{x} = 4.53$; SD = 0.55); the factors ranking at the high levels included *Promotion* ($\bar{x} = 4.48$; SD = 0.57), *Place* ($\bar{x} = 4.36$, SD = 0.61), *People* ($\bar{x} = 4.12$, SD = 0.62), *Process* ($\bar{x} = 3.64$, SD = 0.74), *Price* ($\bar{x} = 3.62$, SD = 0.84) and *Physical Evidence and Presentation* ($\bar{x} = 3.61$, SD = 0.76) as illustrated in Table 1 below:

Table 1 Review of Means and Standard Variation (SD) for Opinion Levels on 7Ps Marketing Mix Model

7Ps Marketing Mix	\bar{x}	SD	Opinion Level
1) Physical Evidence and Presentation	3.61	0.76	High
2) Product	4.53	0.55	Highest
3) Price	3.62	0.84	High
4) Process	3.64	0.74	High
5) Place	4.36	0.61	High
6) People	4.12	0.62	High
7) Promotion	4.48	0.57	High
Total	3.54	0.75	High

5.2 Communication Guidelines and Marketing Strategies to Promote Community-based Tourism in Nang Loeng

5.2.1 Marketing Communication Guidelines to Promote Community-based Tourism Nang Loeng in Bangkok

Summarized from the interviews with the sample groups consisting of community leaders, tourism entrepreneurs and tourists in the aspect of the requirements and guidelines to promote tourism in Nang Loeng, Bangkok, four main outlines pursuant to academic principles were concluded:

1) Experiential Marketing

It aimed to create memorable and immersive experience for the tourists. For example, the tourists could take part in the activities that resonated the community identity, namely cooking and acting in Lakhon Chatri, a genre of Thai dance-drama. These experiences initiated emotional bonds, leading to positive referrals to other potential tourists.

2) Word-of-Mouth Marketing (WOM Marketing)

This was to be prompted when the tourists were content with their travel experiences. The power of word-of-mouth relied on credibility, and it affected tourists' decision.

3) Digital Marketing

It was widely accepted for promoting the neighborhood to the target audiences extensively, and creating engagement that prompted interest to visit Nang Loeng.

4) Sustainable Marketing

This marketing concerned the effects towards environment and society in every marketing activity by taking into consideration that Nang Loeng was an ancient area that had maintained its precious uniqueness, arts and culture. The marketing helped prolong tourism resources of Nang Loeng through observing and respecting each identity in order to provide real experience without harming any resources as reflected in the interview with a key informant below:

“We’d like the tourists to visit our community, learn about our authentic cultural lifestyles and return home with delighted impressions. Surely, we also hope that they desire to revisit. We’d be very happy to hear that they tell others about their experience. However, it doesn’t mean that we agree for the tourists to come and change or interfere with our primary community lifestyles. We still care to preserve our uniqueness to last for generations.” (C1: Key Informant aged 67 yrs- Freelancer)

5.2.2 Marketing Communication Strategies to Promote Tourism in Nang Loeng

According to the interviews with the sample groups which included the community leaders, tourism entrepreneurs in the area and tourists on the topic of marketing communication strategies to promote tourism in Nang Loeng community in Bangkok, potential strategies could be suggested below:

1) Build engaging awareness regarding Nang Loeng community as a tourist destination by, for example, providing extensive information on compelling websites and social media, exploring search engine marketing (SEM) to optimize online visibility, and creating quality content such as blogs, articles and videos to reach the target audiences. Apart from that, the community could commence relationships with the community leaders, influencers and travel bloggers by offering complimentary community tours or giving a discount incentive in compensation with reviews and online PR. Word-of-mouth marketing would definitely elicit the tourists to broadcast their Nang Loeng travel experience. The community might as well create involvement by organizing activities and festivals such as terrestrial tours, cultural performances, cooking demonstrations and personalized trips based on themes like food tours, historical tours and cultural tours.

2) Motivate the tourists by opening up interest in diverse tourist experiences in Nang Loeng, focusing on the cultural uniqueness and presenting both knowledgeable and entertaining escapades like visiting historical temples, watching Thai puppet shows, and learning local festivals in order to expand groups of tourists. It was advised to use storytelling that reflected the people, cultures and traditions of Nang Loeng to create emotional bonds. Other activities to be carried out were cooking competitions, music performances and craft demonstrations.

3) Increase desires to visit the community and enjoy the empirically-derived experience that Nang Loeng offered. The community could demonstrate unmatched travel stories for its visitors by offering a chance for them to get involved in the village’s activities, traditions and lifestyles. The emotional marketing such as storytelling, illustrated via photos and videos, helped create a desire to make a trip to Nang Loeng and connect the tourists with the community’s unique cultures and history profoundly. Additionally, social-proofs like exhibiting tourists’ testimonials and opinions could be a guarantee for the community as a preferred destination. Mouth-of-word marketing brought about credibility and stimulated wishes to travel. Undeniably collaborative marketing campaigns like photo contests and giving prizes also helped stimulate the tourists to talk about their trips and expectations.

4) Urge the action by invigorating the tourists to plan a visit to Nang Loeng community by, for instance, designing and developing appealing activities that enticed

joiners. Plus, the community should collect tourists' data like emails and give out tour information and promotions to the potential tourists occasionally. Marketing automation would help with determining targets according to tourists' interest and behaviors. It also assisted with the collaboration with travel agents to promote Nang Loeng as a tourist destination and attracted more people to book the trips.

A key informant gave the following statement:

"I'd definitely like to participate if there're fun activities in the community for us, tourists. It could be something like playing dress-up in a show costume, acting in a Chatrri show, baking Thai desserts, or having a workshop. This'd mean I can get to both play and wander. I personally look up for travel ideas online, like reading reviews and following YouTubers." (T: Key Informant, aged 38 yrs-Company Employee)

6. CONCLUSIONS AND DISSCUSSIONS

Attributed to the research on marketing communication strategies to promote tourism in Bangkok's Nang Loeng community had been analyzing based on the 7Ps marketing mix. Overall, respondents rated the marketing mix at a high level, with **Product** scoring highest, followed by **Promotion, Place, People, Process, Price,** and **Physical Evidence**. However, findings indicated that community members lacked sufficient knowledge and skills to produce effective PR media and leverage technology for marketing. In parallel with the previous research-a challenge consistent with Hansapan and Khangkhasir's (2021) studied on Chanthaboon Waterfront Community in Chanthaburi. To address this, the community should strengthen its management and adopt integrated marketing communication through both online marketing platforms and collaboration with the Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT). The marketing guidelines and proposals to promote Kok Mon community included (1) influencer endorsements, (2) multi-platform PR campaigns, (3) community-based marketing, (4) online marketing, (5) direct marketing (data-driven tourist engagement), (6) promotional activities, and (7) institutional partnerships. These align with Lehmann and Winer's (2003) tourism experience theory, which highlights accommodation as a key factor in tourist satisfaction, as well as service marketing principles emphasizing the need to meet customer expectations through tailored products and services.

According to the interviews regarding marketing communication guidelines and strategies, revealed key marketing communication strategies for Nang Loeng community, including social media engagement, crafting memorable travel experiences, building collaborative networks, and leveraging influencers/YouTubers for storytelling aligning with Bhakdechakriwut and Choibamroong's (2019) study on community-based tourism promotion. Their six-dimensional framework (advertising, PR, promotions, personal selling, direct marketing, and internet marketing) has been applied to target domestic tourists in traditional communities. Chang (2018) emphasizes that tourism's core lies in delivering "quality happiness," while Wongmonta (2021) notes that cultural tourism now requires more than passive visits; modern travelers seek meaningful immersion, authentic local connections, and transformative experiences like "a memorable experience." This shift reflects tourist decision-making theory, where choices are influenced by perceived information and experiential value (Kotler, 2015). Social media further amplifies demand for shareable,

novel experiences. Supporting this, Worapongpat's (2018) study of Ban Pam Bok found that tourists prioritize: (1) diverse tourism products (31.50%), (2) blogger/social media recommendations (38.75%), and (3) scenic natural resources (28.50%) when selecting destinations. These insights underscore the need for Nang Loeng to integrate experiential marketing with digital storytelling to enhance its appeal.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS

The following were marketing recommendations to be applied with the tourism in Nang Loeng community in Bangkok:

1) *Identify the targets.* The community should address both Thais and foreigners who had mutual interest in culture and history, enjoyed the community-based tourism, and were eager to learn about local lifestyles. A group of families and friends seeking distinctive experience in travelling might as well fit the ideal target groups.

2) *Develop tourism products.* This could be activities like organizing tours, pinpointing history and cultures, or holding workshops where tourists could acquire local knowledge such as baking Thai desserts or making handicrafts. Local activities like music performance, folk games and setting up local travelling routes could also be recommended.

3) *Create and improve marketing platforms to promote the community and make tourism products.* The community should cooperate with travel companies, online booking platforms, bloggers and influencers to promote the community. It should also raise awareness by launching both offline and online marketing campaigns.

4) *Collaborate with the people in the community.* They should work with the community leaders and local entrepreneurs to develop tourism products and emphasize the importance of the realization of the community-based tourism and the benefits that the community would earn. There should be training plans to reinforce the locals' potential regarding tourism.

Recommendations for the research on the tourism in Nang Loeng community in Bangkok were as followed:

1) The research should be completed to analyze trends and opportunities for the community-based tourism to evaluate the potential of the community and ameliorate the attractions. It should also explore the tourists' requests and preferences in the community-based tourism.

2) The research should investigate the competition by examining strengths, weakness, opportunity and threats (SWOT) of other communities, and should also scrutinize their marketing and management strategies.

3) The research should be able to evaluate and develop tourism products and services, such as designing travelling activities and travelling routes, arranging activities for the tourists,

executing marketing campaigns and assessing quality and uniqueness of the prospect travel experience.

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Are Perceived Quality and Destination Image Important for Revisiting Intentions?

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Abstract

Cultural and religious tourism represents a form of special interest tourism, wherein individuals are drawn to destinations and objects due to their connection to beliefs and the desire to visit the graves of ancestors or renowned religious figures. Typically, teenagers or individuals belonging to Generation Z exhibit minimal interest in cultural and religious tourism, unless prompted by educational obligations such as school assignments or research endeavors. Nevertheless, their involvement can contribute to repeat visits. However, the safety standards of traditional transportation methods, such as sampans or boats, used to access cultural and religious tourism destinations on Penyengat Island remain questionable. This study aims to ascertain and analyze the influence of perceived quality and destination image on revisiting intentions to these destinations. This study employs a quantitative approach using a survey method and adopts a purposive sampling technique. The research sample comprises 200 respondents, specifically tourists who have visited cultural and religious tourism destinations on the island (Penyengat Island). Data analysis is conducted using SPSS software tools. The findings reveal that both Perceived Quality and Cognitive Destination Image significantly influence revisiting intentions to cultural and religious tourism destinations on Penyengat Island. However, Affective Destination Image does not have a significant influence on these destinations and objects. The novelty in this study highlights the existence of cognitive and affective indicators, indicating that the insignificant influence of affective factors on destination image and repeat visits may be attributed to other contributing factors.

Keywords: Perceived Quality, Destination Image, Revisiting Intentions

1. INTRODUCTION

Tourism in Indonesia is highly popular among both local and foreign tourists, with cultural and religious tourism serving as a form of special interest tourism. Religious tourism holds dual significance, encompassing both the religious aspect of faith and its teachings, which align with the beliefs of its adherents, and the cultural aspect, which contributes to fulfilling collective consciousness and community identity (Haryanto, 2016; Gunjan Saxena et al., 2020). Religious tourism is a form of tourism intricately intertwined with the religious facets of humanity (Firsty & Suryasih, 2019).

According to the Central Statistics Agency (2023), Indonesia boasts abundant cultural diversity, with 1,340 ethnic groups dispersed across 37 provinces. Penyengat Island, situated near Tanjung Pinang, has emerged as a prominent cultural and religious tourism destination within the Riau Islands. Notable features of Penyengat Island include its rich history, archaeological remnants, ancestral graves, and the majestic Masjid Raya Sultan Riau (Grand Mosque of Sultan Riau), characterized by its distinct yellow hue visible from afar. These attributes significantly influence tourists' perceptions of destination quality and image, thereby fostering motivation for visits and repeat visits.

However, the significance of visiting tourists for cultural and religious tourism purposes has not yet been realized. This may be attributed to inadequate accessibility, transportation, and supporting facilities (Arie Sanyi, 2014). Such shortcomings contribute to perceptions of quality that shape the destination's image, influencing the likelihood of repeat visits. Additionally, the absence of a guest book or comprehensive data on tourist visits to cultural and religious tourism destinations on Penyengat Island renders the population of tourist data unknown.

Building upon the aforementioned problem background, the research problem is formulated as follows: "To what extent does tourists' perceived quality and destination image influence revisiting intentions to cultural and religious tourism destinations on Penyengat Island?" The objective is to ascertain the variable factors in tourists' perceptions of quality related to destination image that affect their revisiting intentions to these destinations. Tourist behavior, such as revisiting intentions, can be assessed through their perceptions of quality, thereby shaping the destination's image and influencing repeat visits (Hariyanto, 2017; Hariyanto & Alamsyah, 2019). This, in turn, influences the number of tourists visiting cultural and religious tourism destinations. Moreover, enhancing facilities and quality are crucial factors identified in research findings regarding the influence of perceived quality and destination image on tourists' revisiting intentions. When deciding on a destination to visit, tourists evaluate goals, perceptions, and the destination's image (Putri & Hariyanto, 2022).

Research Hypothesis

The Influence of Perceived Quality on Revisiting Intentions

The influence of perceived quality on revisiting intentions has been explored by several researchers (East, 2018; An et al., 2019; Rosdiana et al., 2020; Rahmayanti et al., 2022; Riva et al., 2022). Previous studies predominantly suggest that perceived quality significantly influences revisiting intentions. Research indicates a significant relationship between perceived quality and revisiting intentions. According to Rahmayanti et al., (2022), statistical results reveal that perceived service quality positively and significantly influences revisiting intentions, implying that higher service quality leads to increased tourist satisfaction.

H1: Perceived quality has a significant influence on revisiting intentions.

The Influence of Affective Destination Image on Revisiting Intentions

The influence of affective destination image on revisiting intentions has been explored by several researchers, including Hallmann et al., (2015), Destari (2017),

Chuchu (2019), Nurhayati et al., (2019), and Singh & Girma (2019). Previous studies predominantly suggest that affective destination image has a positive and significant influence on revisiting intentions. Research findings consistently exhibit a significant relationship between affective destination image and revisiting intentions. For instance, Nurhayati et al., (2019) found that affective destination image significantly influence tourists' revisiting intentions to the Puncak Darma Geopark Ciletuh in Sukabumi. Similarly, Destari (2017) found a significant influence of affective destination image on revisiting intentions in the case study of the Big Event JFC, while Hallmann et al., (2015) also found that affective destination image influences tourists' revisiting intentions to winter sports tourism destinations.

H2: Affective destination image has a significant influence on revisiting intentions.

The Influence of Cognitive Destination Image on Revisiting Intentions

The influence of cognitive destination image on revisiting intentions has been explored by several researchers, including Pratminingsih (2014), Hallmann et al., (2015), Aviolutasona (2017), Destari (2017), AB (2018), and Singh & Girma (2019). Previous studies predominantly suggest that cognitive destination image positively and significantly influences revisiting intentions. For example, AB (2018) found that cognitive destination image significantly influences tourists' revisiting intentions to South Sulawesi. Similarly, Vishnu & Sholahuddin (2023) found a significant influence of cognitive destination image on tourists' revisiting intentions to the Kedung Ombo Reservoir tourist destination.

H3: Cognitive destination image has a significant influence on revisiting intentions.

2. LIERATURE REVIEW

Recent research underscores that tourists' perceived quality significantly influences their intentions to revisit destinations. Studies on destination image, perceived quality, and revisit intentions highlight the critical interplay of service quality and destination image in thermal tourism, with similar dynamics in cultural and religious tourism. These factors are essential for maintaining visitor interest, as noted by scholars including An et al., (2019), Aruan & Engelica (2022), Rosdiana et al., (2020), Rahmayanti et al., (2022), Hallmann et al., (2015), AB (2018), Nurhayati et al., (2019), Nguyen Viet et al., (2020), and Stylidis et al., (2022).

2.1 Perceived Quality and Revisiting Intentions

Perceived quality reflects tourists' subjective assessments of a destination's services and attributes including transportation, infrastructure, and overall experience. High perceived quality often drives satisfaction and encourages repeat visits. An et al., (2019) demonstrated that service quality significantly enhances perceived value and satisfaction, positively influencing revisit intentions among Airbnb guests. Similarly, Rosdiana et al., (2020) found that perceived tourism quality directly affects tourists' decisions to return to destinations in Bandung, Indonesia. In cultural and religious tourism, the quality of traditional transportation, like sampans or boats, is vital, as safety issues can discourage repeat visits (2025). This is supported by Aruan and Engelica (2022), who showed that service quality in restaurants predicts revisit

intentions, a principle applicable to tourism contexts. Additionally, Rahmayanti et al., (2022) highlighted that service quality, combined with perceived price fairness, boosts satisfaction and revisit intentions in agrotourism settings. These findings underscore perceived quality as a key factor in fostering tourists' intentions to revisit destinations.

2.2 Destination Image and Revisiting Intentions

Destination image encompasses cognitive and affective dimensions that shape tourists' perceptions and attitudes toward a destination. Cognitive destination image involves the knowledge and beliefs about a destination's features, while affective destination image relates to emotional responses it evokes. Research consistently links destination image to revisit intentions. Hallmann et al., (2015) developed a image model for winter sports destinations, showing that a positive destination image strongly predicts revisit intentions. Likewise, AB (2018) and Nurhayati et al., (2019) confirmed that destination image increases revisit intentions for cultural destinations in South Sulawesi and Ciletuh Geopark, Indonesia, respectively. Zhang et al., (2018) linked perceived image and memorable experiences to revisit intentions, emphasizing cognitive image's role. Nguyen Viet et al., (2020) noted that destination image, alongside perceived risk and cultural contact, influences satisfaction and revisit intentions. However, affective destination image may not always significantly affect revisit intentions, as observed in Penyengat Island's case (2025). Martín-Santana et al., (2017) suggests that an image gap, where affective perceptions misalign with expectations, can impact revisit intentions. Stylidis et al., (2022) further argue that resident-tourist interactions shape destination image and loyalty, highlighting the complex nature of image formation.

2.3 Cognitive and Affective Indicators in Destination Image

The interplay between cognitive and affective indicators is essential for understanding destination image's effect on revisit intentions. Cognitive indicators, such as awareness of a destination's cultural or historical value, typically exert a stronger influence on revisit intentions than affective indicators, which involve emotional attachments. Dedeoğlu (2019) found that cognitive evaluations of destination country image significantly shape quality perceptions and loyalty. Pratminingsih (2014) noted that destination image, particularly cognitive elements like infrastructure and attractions, predicts revisit intentions in Bandung. In contrast, affective indicators may have limited impact in specific contexts, as evidenced by findings that affective destination image does not significantly influence revisit intentions to Penyengat Island (2025). This is consistent with Destari (2017), who found that cognitive destination image and unique tourism services outweigh emotional factors in driving revisit intentions. Chuchu (2019) also supports this, showing a strong correlation between perceived value, often rooted in cognitive assessments, and revisit intentions. These results suggest that cognitive destination image reliably drives revisit intentions, while affective factors may be influenced by variables like cultural familiarity or destination characteristics.

2.4 Cultural and Religious Tourism Context

Cultural and religious tourism, a niche form of special interest tourism, draws visitors through its ties to heritage, beliefs, and historical significance. Hariyanto (2016, 2017) examined cultural and religious tourism in Cirebon, emphasizing how local wisdom and rituals enhance destination appeal. Firsty and Suryasih (2019) highlighted the potential of religious sites like Muaro Jambi Temple to attract repeat visitors, provided destination image and quality are prioritized. However, this tourism type often struggles to engage younger demographics, such as Generation Z, unless driven by educational motives (2025). Putri and Hariyanto (2022) found that destination image and subjective norms influence visit intentions to beach tourism in Batam, a concept applicable to cultural and religious tourism. The quality and safety of transportation, such as boats to Penyengat Island, are critical, as substandard conditions can undermine perceived quality and revisit intentions (2025). Timur (2018) noted the interconnected roles of service quality and destination image in thermal tourism, a dynamic relevant to cultural and religious tourism contexts, where both factors are crucial for sustaining visitor interest.

Therefore, perceived quality, reflecting tourists' assessments of services, infrastructure, and experiences, along with destination image, which includes cognitive beliefs and affective emotions, significantly shapes satisfaction and revisit intentions across tourism contexts. High service quality and positive destination image boost perceived value and loyalty in destinations like Airbnb and winter sports sites. Cognitive factors, such as cultural or historical awareness, typically outweigh affective ones in driving revisit intentions, though affective impacts vary, as seen in Penyengat Island (2025). In cultural and religious tourism, heritage and rituals enhance appeal, but poor transportation quality can hinder repeat visits. Thus, how service quality, destination image, and resident-tourist interactions collectively foster visitor loyalty and revisit intentions.

3. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

This study employs a quantitative approach, characterized by hypothesis testing through data collection via a questionnaire. Questionnaire measurements utilize a Likert scale. The research population comprises all domestic tourists who have visited or expressed an intention to visit Masjid Raya Sultan Riau, Penyengat Island. Non-probability sampling is employed, utilizing a purposive sampling technique. The research encompasses sample collection, testing, and analysis of test results, following the methodology outlined by Siyoto & Sodik (2015). A combinative research design, descriptive and causal in nature, is adopted (Ramdhan, 2021).

The independent variables in this study encompass perceived quality (X1) and destination image, which is further divided into affective destination image (X2) and cognitive destination image (X3). The dependent variable is revisiting intentions (Y).

4. RESEARCH RESULTS & DISCUSSION

4.1 Reliability Test Results

Reliability testing serves to assess the extent to which a measurement can be deemed trustworthy. A variable is considered reliable if its Cronbach's alpha value exceeds 0.6. The findings are presented in Table 1.

Table 1: Reliability Test

Variable	Cronbach's Alpha	Conclusion
Perceived Quality	0.830	Reliable
Affective Destination Image	0.734	Reliable
Cognitive Destination Image	0.790	Reliable
Revisiting Intentions	0.853	Reliable

Source: Primary data processed (2024)

Based on the findings, the Cronbach's alpha values for all four variables surpass the minimum threshold of 0.6. Therefore, it is concluded that all of these variables exhibit reliability.

4.2 Classic Assumption Test Results

Normality Test Results

Normality testing serves to assess the distribution of a variable distributed, whether it is normal or not in the model.

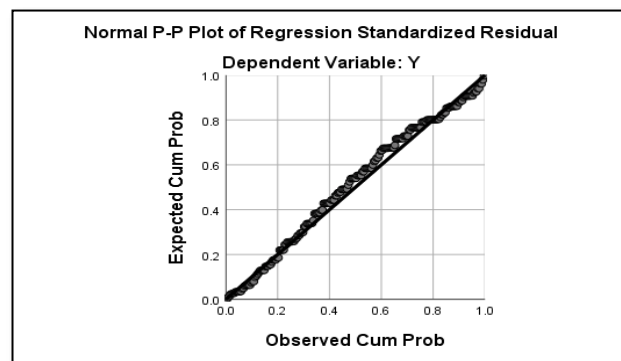


Figure 1: Normality Test, Source: Primary data processed (2024)

The p-plot graph depicted in Figure 1, exhibits dots dispersed around the diagonal line of the graph, indicating a distribution that aligns with the diagonal line. The findings presented in Figure 1 indicate that the model is suitable for use.

Multicollinearity Test

Table 2: Multicollinearity Test Results

Variable	Tolerance	VIF	Conclusion
Perceived Quality	0.774	1.292	There is no multicollinearity
Affective Destination Image	0.856	1.168	There is no multicollinearity
Cognitive Destination Image	0.783	1.278	There is no multicollinearity

Source: Primary data processed (2024)

Multicollinearity testing serves to assess correlations among independent variables. Multicollinearity is considered absent when the VIF value < 10 . According to the findings, all VIF values for the independent variables are < 10 , indicating the absence of multicollinearity.

Heteroscedasticity Test Results

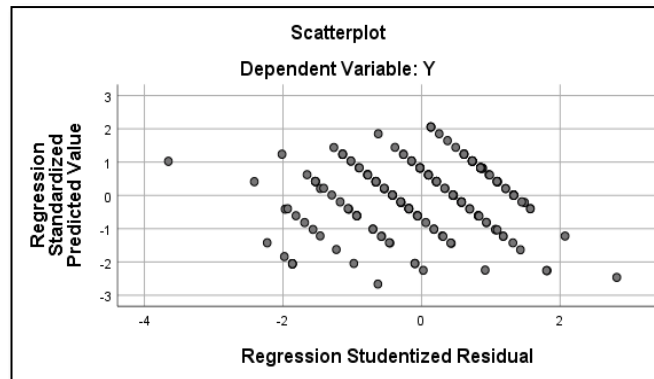


Figure 2: Heteroscedasticity Test, Source: Primary data processed (2024)

In Figure 2, it is evident that the heteroscedasticity test does not reveal a discernible pattern. The data points on the graph are densely scattered both below and above the zero line without forming a distinctive pattern. Consequently, the graph indicates the absence of heteroscedasticity in the findings.

Hypothesis Test Results

F Test Results

The F-test serves to assess whether a group of independent variables simultaneously has a significant influence on the dependent variable.

Table 3: F Test Results

Variable	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Regression	88.702	3	29.567	22.360	0.000b

Source: Primary data processed (2024)

Based on the findings presented in Table 3, it is evident that the significance value is 0.000, which is less than 0.05. The F count value obtained from the analysis (22.360) is greater than the F table value of 3.89. This indicates that the independent variables simultaneously have a significant influence on the dependent variable.

t Test Results

According to Ghozali, the t-test serves to assess the influence of each variable based on its partial significant influence on the dependent variable.

Table 4: t-Test Results

Variable	Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients B	t	Sig	Conclusion
	B	Std. Error				
Perceived Quality	0.137	0.056	0.171	2,434	0.016	Significant
Affective Destination Image	0.142	0.130	0.073	1,095	0.275	Not significant
Cognitive Destination Image	0.273	0.051	0.375	5,377	0,000	Significant

Source: Primary data processed (2024)

H1: Perceived quality has a significant influence on revisiting intentions to cultural and religious tourism destinations and objects on Penyengat Island

The findings presented in Table 4 exhibit that the influence of perceived quality on revisiting intentions has a significant value of $0.016 < 0.05$ and a t count of $2.434 > t$ table of 1.972. Based on this analysis, it can be concluded that perceived quality significantly influences revisiting intentions to cultural and religious tourism destinations and objects on Penyengat Island. These findings align with Rahmayanti et al., (2022), who found that perception of service quality has a positive and significant influence on revisiting intentions, signifying that higher service quality leads to increased tourist satisfaction.

H2: Affective destination image has a significant influence on revisiting intentions to cultural and religious tourism destinations and objects on Penyengat Island

The findings presented in Table 4 exhibit that the influence of affective destination image on revisiting intentions has an insignificant value of $0.275 > 0.05$ and a t count of $1.095 < t$ table of 1.972. Based on this analysis, it can be concluded that affective destination image does not have a significant influence on revisiting intentions to cultural and religious tourism destinations and objects on Penyengat Island. These findings contradict Nurhayati et al., (2019), who found that affective destination image significantly influence tourists' revisiting intentions to the Puncak Darma Geopark Ciletuh in Sukabumi. The natural and geographical differences, as well as the accessibility to cultural and religious tourist destinations and objects on Penyengat Island, may contribute to this discrepancy. Accessibility to cross the sea between islands, the use of traditional transportation, and the lack of life jackets may cause tourists to feel concerned, potentially diminishing the significance of affective destination image on revisiting intentions.

H3: Cognitive destination image has a significant influence on revisiting intentions to cultural and religious tourism destinations and objects on Penyengat Island

The findings presented in Table 4 exhibit that the influence of cognitive destination image on revisiting intentions has a significant value of $0.000 < 0.05$ and a t count of $5.377 > t$ table of 1.972. Based on this analysis, it can be concluded that cognitive destination image significantly influences revisiting intentions to cultural and religious tourism destinations and objects on Penyengat Island. These findings align

with AB (2018), who found that cognitive destination image has a positive and significant influence tourists' revisiting intentions to South Sulawesi.

Coefficient of determination Test Results

Table 5: Coefficient of determination Test Results

Variable (Dependent)	<i>R</i>	R Square	Adjusted R2	Std. Error of the Estimate
Intention to Visit Again	0.505a	0.255	0.244	1,150

Source: Primary data processed (2024)

The findings in Table 5 reveal that the variable revisiting intentions is influenced by the variables perceived quality, affective destination image, and cognitive destination image by 25.5%, while the remaining 74.5% is attributed to other factors not included in the model, such as price, promotion (Riyanti et al., 2020), atmosphere, and customer satisfaction (Aruan & Engelica, 2022).

5. CONCLUSION

This study aims to ascertain whether perceived quality, affective destination image, and cognitive destination image significantly influence revisiting intentions to cultural and religious tourism destinations and objects on Penyengat Island. The findings in this study indicate that perceived quality and cognitive destination image has the most influence on revisiting intentions to cultural and religious tourism destinations and objects on Penyengat Island. Meanwhile, affective destination image does not consistently have a significant influence on revisiting intentions. This may be attributed to tourists' concerns about the use of traditional transportation and the lack of life jackets. One limitation of this study is the lack of available data on tourists who visit cultural and religious tourism destinations and objects on Penyengat Island.

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Unveiling Character Networks in Literary Texts

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Abstract

This paper takes a fresh approach to analyzing the musical Wicked, utilizing text mining techniques. Through the use of a text analysis tool, we delve deeper into the narrative, meticulously examining the subtleties found in the characters' dialogue, actions, and relationships. By harnessing this advanced technology, our study seeks to uncover hidden patterns, reveal underlying attitudes, and unravel the thematic threads interwoven throughout the characters' interactions in the entire literary piece. Our goal is not only to deepen our understanding of literature but also to provide novel perspectives on its acclaim and popularity. The findings shed light on the primary protagonists, their characteristics, and the central themes conveyed through the structure of sentences. Moreover, we suggest that text mining methods can offer valuable insights into literary techniques and aid in the development of a semantic markup for literary works.

Keywords: character analysis, literary text analysis, text mining

1. INTRODUCTION

Literary character analysis, a cornerstone of literary studies, has traditionally relied on methodologies of close reading and qualitative interpretation to unravel the complexities of character traits, motivations, and developmental arcs. Frameworks such as S.T.E.A.L. (Speech, Thought, Effect on others, Actions, Looks) have provided structured approaches for the manual deconstruction of characters, guiding readers to synthesize information to substantiate an interpretive claim. Historically, these analyses often centered on ethical evaluations or categorized characters as broadly “positive” or “negative,” sometimes underemphasizing the inherently constructed nature of these literary figures within the narrative. The evolution of literary theory, however, has seen a shift towards analyzing “characterization” as a dynamic process, with theorists like Greimas and Ginzburg redirecting focus towards characters' functional roles and their multidimensional attributes. This established the groundwork from which computational methods have more recently departed or built upon, expanding the toolkit available to literary scholars.

The contemporary era, marked by the proliferation of digital texts and exponential growth in computational power, has ushered in a new wave of analytical methodologies. These computational approaches augment traditional techniques by enabling the analysis of large-scale textual data, thereby uncovering patterns, relationships, and nuances that were previously difficult, if not impossible, to discern through manual reading alone. This “computational turn,” often situated within the broader interdisciplinary field of Digital Humanities, represents more than a mere

technological overlay; it signifies a fundamental methodological shift in how literary texts are approached and understood. The capacity of corpus technologies to allow scholars to query vast textual repositories, revealing macro-level trends and intricate relationships—a practice Franco Moretti termed “distant reading”—exemplifies this transformation. Computational literary studies now involve “obtaining varying degrees of assistance from computers to analyze literary works,” treating text as data to rigorously test existing hypotheses and formulate new research questions.

This evolution does not necessarily entail a replacement of established methods but rather an expansion of analytical capabilities. The sheer volume of digitized literary texts often exceeds the processing capacity of traditional human-centric reading practices. Computational tools directly address this limitation, facilitating novel inquiries into extensive literary corpora. Consequently, the current research landscape increasingly seeks to bridge the qualitative depth of nuanced interpretation with the quantitative breadth and empirical rigor afforded by computational methods. This synthesis is particularly pertinent for complex analytical tasks such as the examination of character networks. For instance, the metric text analysis capabilities of software like KH Coder are explicitly designed to “*bridge the gap between quantitative and qualitative analyses*”. KH Coder has gained traction as a tool within digital humanities for content analysis, adeptly converting verbal texts into quantitative information suitable for statistical examination. This integration necessitates a re-evaluation of what constitutes “reading” and “interpretation” in literary studies, fostering a more data-informed hermeneutic where statistical patterns are brought into dialogue with qualitative insights. The increasing reliance on such computational tools may also suggest a need for new forms of training and interdisciplinary collaboration within language and literature education.

This research is dedicated to conducting an in-depth analysis of the characters in *Wicked* using KH Coder 3, a cutting-edge text analysis software. With this tool, we aim to delve beneath the surface of the narrative, carefully examining the complexities of characters’ dialogues, actions, and relationships. By leveraging this advanced technology, our objective is to unveil hidden patterns, attitudes, and themes embedded within the characters’ interactions, offering fresh insights into the depth of the story. Our study is particularly focused on exploring the multidimensional character of the protagonist, Elphaba, delving into her life, challenges, and significant role in the overarching plot. Additionally, we will also scrutinize other pivotal characters such as Glinda, along with supporting characters like Fiyero, Nessarose, and Boq. Through gaining a comprehensive understanding of the characters in *Wicked*, we aim to uncover sophisticated methods for analyzing literary works using text mining techniques.

Through literary exploration, this article aims at exploring the traits of protagonists and main themes in literature. Guiding research questions are as follows:

1. Who appears to be protagonists in literature?
2. What are the main themes of the plot?

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

The integration of computational methods, particularly text mining, into literary analysis has revolutionized the study of literature, enabling researchers to uncover hidden patterns, thematic structures, and character dynamics in texts. This literature review critically examines the current state of research on text mining in literary

analysis, focusing on its application to character networks and thematic exploration in literary texts, as exemplified by the study of *Wicked*. It discusses foundational concepts, recent technological and theoretical developments, gaps and limitations, and prominent trends shaping the field. The review draws on a robust theoretical framework for analyzing character networks and themes in literary works. The details as following.

2.1. Corpus Linguistics: Unveiling Patterns in Language

Corpus linguistics is fundamentally characterized by the empirical analysis of language, grounded in the study of large, principled collections of electronic texts, known as corpora. The seminal work of McEnery & Wilson (2001), “Corpus Linguistics: An Introduction,” laid much of the groundwork for contemporary understandings in the field, detailing the methodologies for corpus construction and the analytical techniques that can be applied to them. Their work underscored the versatility of corpus methods, predicting their utility across a wide spectrum of linguistic theories and extending their potential application to various social science domains and, by extension, the digital humanities. The epistemological stance often associated with corpus linguistics, which tends towards positivist or naturalist perspectives, can sometimes create a degree of friction when these methods are integrated into humanities disciplines like literary studies, which traditionally favor more interpretive epistemologies. This highlights that the adoption of corpus methods is not merely a technical decision but also involves an epistemological alignment that warrants careful consideration and justification within the research context.

In literary analysis, corpus linguistic techniques such as keyword analysis (identifying words that appear with statistically significant frequency), collocation analysis (examining words that frequently co-occur), and concordance analysis (scrutinizing words in their immediate textual contexts) enable a systematic investigation of stylistic features, thematic evolution, and character-specific discourse. For example, by analyzing the characteristic vocabulary, collocations, or grammatical patterns in the speech attributed to different characters, or in passages describing them, researchers can uncover insights into their personalities, their relationships with other characters, and their functional roles within the narrative structure. The evolution of corpus linguistics itself, from disparate, center-specific markup schemes to the widespread adoption of standards like XML, reflects a broader movement within the digital humanities towards interoperability and standardization. This technological maturation has been crucial in facilitating the kind of large-scale, often collaborative, and tool-driven research that characterizes much of contemporary computational literary study.

The application of corpus linguistics is particularly relevant to the study of character networks. By identifying and quantifying patterns in how characters speak, how they are spoken about by the narrator or other characters, or how their names and associated concepts co-occur, corpus methods can provide a rich dataset for constructing and interpreting these networks. For instance, the frequent co-occurrence of specific character names within particular lexical or thematic contexts might indicate strong relational ties or shared thematic significance, offering empirical grounding for network structures. The “democratizing” potential of corpus tools further empowers researchers to interrogate established literary canons or dominant interpretations by

furnishing empirical evidence derived from extensive text collections. However, this potential is coupled with the responsibility of critically engaging with the construction of these corpora and understanding what linguistic realities they genuinely represent.

2.2. Thematic Analysis: Identifying Meaningful Patterns

Thematic analysis serves as a crucial method for identifying, analyzing, and reporting patterns—or themes—within qualitative data, including literary texts. Ryan & Bernard (2003) have provided influential techniques for theme identification, which include systematic searches for word repetitions, key-indigenous terms, and keywords-in-contexts (KWIC), alongside the careful scrutiny of larger segments of text to discern underlying patterns of meaning. While Ryan and Bernard initially conceptualized thematic coding as a process embedded within broader analytic traditions such as grounded theory, subsequent scholars, notably Braun & Clarke (2006), have advocated for thematic analysis to be recognized as a distinct and flexible methodological approach in its own right. This ongoing discussion about whether thematic analysis constitutes a “tool” or a “method” underscores a broader debate within qualitative research concerning methodological rigor and definition, a debate that gains particular relevance as these techniques are adapted for computational environments.

In the realm of literary interpretation, thematic analysis facilitates the systematic extraction and interpretation of recurring ideas, topics, motifs, or discourses related to characters, their interpersonal relationships, plot developments, and the overarching messages conveyed by a literary work. This process can be undertaken through meticulous manual coding of the text or can be significantly supported by computational tools capable of identifying word frequencies, lexical patterns, and co-occurrence phenomena, which can then serve as pointers to potential themes. Ryan & Bernard’s (2003) emphasis on word-based techniques, such as the formal analysis of computer-generated word frequency lists as initial clues for thematic development, naturally lends itself to computational assistance. This characteristic forms a conceptual bridge between traditional qualitative thematic identification and more quantitative text mining approaches, making their framework particularly adaptable for digital humanities projects.

The relevance of thematic analysis to the study of character networks is profound. Themes identified through this systematic process can imbue the structural representations of character networks with qualitative depth and explanatory power. For instance, if a computationally identified cluster of characters within a network is found, through thematic analysis of their dialogues or associated narrative segments, to frequently engage with themes of “ambition,” “loyalty,” or “deception,” this adds a significant layer of meaning to their structural interconnectedness. It moves the analysis beyond simply mapping connections to understanding the substantive nature of those connections. The inherent flexibility of thematic analysis, allowing its application across diverse theoretical and epistemological frameworks, further enhances its utility for interdisciplinary research, such as that undertaken in the field of Education Integrated through Language and Literature. This adaptability makes it a valuable component in the methodological toolkit for computational literary studies.

The foundational contributions of McEnery & Wilson (2001), Ryan & Bernard (2003), and Koichi Higuchi (2017) are pivotal in shaping the landscape of computational literary analysis, particularly in the context of character network studies. Their distinct yet complementary approaches provide a robust theoretical and methodological scaffold for such research, as summarized in Table 1.

Table 1: Key Contributions of Foundational Scholars to Computational Literary Analysis

Scholar(s)	Core Theory/Methodology	Key Contributions to Literary/Text Analysis	Relevance to Character Network Analysis
McEnery & Wilson (2001)	Corpus Linguistics	Established principles of corpus construction and analysis (e.g., keywords, collocations, concordances), enabling empirical study of language patterns in large texts.	Provides empirical data on character language, interaction patterns (e.g., through collocation of names), and contextual mentions, which can inform network construction and edge definition.
Ryan & Bernard (2003)	Thematic Analysis	Developed techniques for systematic identification of themes in qualitative data (e.g., word repetitions, KWIC, scrutiny of texts).	Enriches network nodes (characters) and edges (relationships) with qualitative thematic meaning, helping to explain <i>why</i> characters are connected and the nature of their interactions.
Koichi Higuchi (2017)	Quantitative Content Analysis / Text Mining (KH Coder)	Proposed a two-step approach combining automated word extraction/statistical analysis with researcher-defined coding rules for concept extraction and analysis.	Directly facilitates character network generation through features like co-occurrence networks and offers tools (e.g., clustering, correspondence analysis) for thematic exploration of character-related text segments.

This table synthesizes how these scholars' core ideas provide the building blocks for computationally assisted literary analysis. McEnery & Wilson's work allows for the systematic gathering of linguistic evidence about characters from large texts. Ryan & Bernard's techniques guide the interpretation of this evidence into meaningful themes associated with characters and their interactions. Higuchi's development of KH Coder offers a practical toolkit that integrates many of these principles, enabling researchers to operationalize the analysis of character networks and associated themes from textual data. Together, their contributions underscore the movement towards integrating quantitative evidence with qualitative interpretation in literary studies.

The Musical Wicked

Wicked explores the age-old theme of the conflict between good and evil, showcasing how these opposing forces can coexist within individuals. Unlike traditional tales where heroes battle villains, Wicked offers a fresh perspective with

characters who defy simple labels of good or evil. The narrative delves into philosophical contemplations on evil, giving more emphasis to its darker aspects than to reflections on goodness. It presents a nuanced view of morality, challenging conventional notions by portraying characters in complex, ambiguous shades. The story suggests that the line between good and evil isn't always clear, and individuals may be influenced by their circumstances and experiences. For example, Elphaba is depicted sympathetically, driven by a desire to confront injustice rather than malice. Conversely, characters typically seen as “good” may have flaws and make morally questionable choices. While the novel doesn't claim that evil triumphs over good, it explores the gray areas within characters' moral compasses, offering a deeper understanding of morality. Ultimately, goodness is depicted as elusive and difficult to define, contrasting with the nuanced portrayal of evil beyond the stereotypical image of a wicked witch in a black hat. Goodness requires deliberate intention and awareness, while evil can manifest subconsciously or unintentionally.

These foundational works establish text mining as a rigorous approach to literary analysis, combining computational precision with interpretive depth. However, they primarily focus on methodological development rather than theoretical implications, leaving room for further exploration of how text mining reshapes literary theory

2.3 Computational Approaches to Character Network Analysis

The advent of computational methods has provided powerful new avenues for exploring the intricate webs of relationships between characters in literary texts. Social Network Analysis offers a formal framework for mapping these connections, while Quantitative Content Analysis and Text Mining provide tools for extracting the data needed to build and interpret these networks. Software like KH Coder integrates many of these functionalities, offering a comprehensive platform for such investigations.

2.3.1 Social Network Analysis (SNA) in Literary Studies

Social Network Analysis (SNA) provides a robust theoretical and methodological framework for mapping, visualizing, and analyzing the relational structures between entities within a narrative, where characters are typically represented as nodes and their interactions or relationships as edges. This approach allows for the quantification and systematic examination of social structures embedded in literary texts, transforming qualitative descriptions of character relationships into measurable network properties. The definition of an “interaction” or an “edge” is a critical methodological decision in literary SNA and can vary widely depending on the research question and the nature of the text. Interactions might be defined by characters' co-occurrence in the same scene or chapter, direct dialogue exchanges, mutual mentions, or even shared thematic concerns. This flexibility, however, also presents a challenge, as superficial definitions of interaction, such as mere co-appearance, may yield networks that do not accurately reflect the true depth or significance of character relationships, potentially leading to misleading interpretations.

Once a character network is constructed, a range of metrics can be employed to glean insights into the narrative's social architecture. Measures such as degree centrality

(indicating the number of direct connections a character has), betweenness centrality (reflecting a character's role in bridging different parts of the network), closeness centrality (measuring how easily a character can reach others), network density (the overall level of interconnectedness), and clustering coefficient (the tendency of characters to form tight-knit groups) help to identify influential figures, character communities or cliques, and the overarching structural properties of the fictional social world. These quantitative measures can illuminate power dynamics, reveal social gaps or fragmentation, and objectively assess the relative importance of different characters within the narrative, moving beyond purely intuitive assessments.

Despite its quantitative power, the application of SNA in literary studies is not without its challenges. A primary difficulty lies in meaningfully defining interactions in a way that captures the nuances of literary relationships and subsequently interpreting the derived network metrics within a rich literary and theoretical context. Automated methods for extracting interactions from text, while efficient, can often lack the subtlety to distinguish between significant and trivial connections, or to capture implicit relationships. The true value of SNA in this domain, therefore, often lies not just in the generation of quantitative measures or visualizations, but in the rigorous interpretation of these findings in conjunction with close reading and established literary theory. As Moretti, a proponent of quantitative literary study, has argued, network analysis in literature must strive to go beyond “just showing” structural characteristics and should be actively used to engage with and deepen existing literary understanding. This necessitates greater transparency in methodological choices—particularly in how interactions are defined and extracted and the development of more robust frameworks for linking quantitative network features to qualitative literary interpretations, a concern that aligns with broader discussions of tool criticism within the Digital Humanities.

2.3.2 Quantitative Content Analysis and Text Mining for Literary Insights

Quantitative Content Analysis (QCA) and text mining offer systematic approaches to extracting and analyzing information from literary texts, providing empirical data that can illuminate character attributes, thematic concerns, and narrative dynamics. QCA involves the methodical coding of textual content into predefined categories to quantify the presence, frequency, meanings, and relationships of specific words, themes, or concepts. Text mining, a broader field, encompasses the process of extracting valuable, often previously unknown, insights and knowledge from unstructured or semi-structured text data. It employs computational techniques to identify patterns, trends, and relationships that would be arduous or impossible to uncover through manual analysis alone. The efficiency offered by text mining is particularly transformative for literary studies, where the sheer volume of both primary literary works and secondary critical literature can be overwhelming for traditional, non-computational methods. This allows for research at new scales, addressing questions that were previously unfeasible.

In the context of literary analysis, QCA and text mining can be applied to character dialogue, narrative descriptions, and characters' actions to extract features related to their personalities, emotional states, primary concerns, and developmental trajectories throughout a story. This may involve simple frequency counts of specific

terms associated with characters, sentiment analysis of their speech to gauge emotional polarity, or topic modeling of character-centric textual segments to identify dominant themes in their discourse or in passages related to them. The process of "coding" in QCA, whether performed manually by a researcher or assisted by computational tools, remains a critical interpretive act. The development of robust coding rules and meaningful categories is where significant scholarly judgment resides, shaping the subsequent quantitative output and its interpretation.

These methodologies are particularly well-suited for analyzing dramatic texts and musical librettos, such as the focus of the current research, 'Wicked'. In such texts, QCA and text mining can be employed to dissect song lyrics, spoken dialogue, and even stage directions to quantify thematic presence, analyze character sentiment as expressed through their words, and map patterns of interaction. For instance, studies have utilized Natural Language Processing (NLP) to analyze song lyrics for evolving topics, affect, and narrative structure, techniques directly applicable to the lyrical components of a musical. Liu, M., Yan, J., & Yao, G. (2023) study, which specifically applies text mining to "Wicked," aims to explore characters' concerns, relationships, and underlying plot patterns by examining word frequencies, demonstrating the direct relevance of these methods. As text mining tools become increasingly sophisticated, incorporating advanced techniques like sentiment analysis and topic modeling, it becomes imperative for literary scholars to develop a critical understanding of the underlying algorithms' assumptions and limitations. This allows for a more informed evaluation of their outputs, preventing the treatment of these tools as infallible "black boxes" and fostering a more critical engagement with computational results.

2.3.3 KH Coder for Integrated Text Analysis

KH Coder, a free, open-source software package developed by Koichi Higuchi, stands as a significant tool for quantitative content analysis, text mining, and computational linguistics, widely adopted across various disciplines including literary studies. Higuchi's (2016) methodology, central to KH Coder's design, advocates a two-step approach to textual analysis. The first step involves the automatic extraction of words from the text and their statistical analysis (e.g., frequency counts, distribution) to explore the data's prominent features, aiming to minimize initial researcher bias. The second step entails the researcher specifying coding rules or dictionaries to extract predefined concepts or themes from the data, which are then subjected to further statistical analysis to deepen the investigation. This structured, two-step process inherently promotes a mixed-methods research design, encouraging a progression from data-driven exploration to more hypothesis-driven conceptual analysis, effectively bridging quantitative discovery with qualitative interpretation.

The software offers a suite of functionalities particularly relevant for character network analysis and thematic exploration. These include word frequency lists, Keywords-In-Context (KWIC) concordance displays, collocation statistics, correspondence analysis, hierarchical cluster analysis, and, crucially for this research, co-occurrence networks. Co-occurrence networks can visually represent relationships between entities based on their proximal appearance in the text; for instance, characters whose names frequently appear together, or characters frequently associated with specific thematic words or concepts. Such visualizations provide an intuitive way to

map out the relational landscape of a literary work. The availability of these diverse analytical features within a single, freely accessible tool like KH Coder democratizes access to complex computational techniques for literary scholars, particularly those who may not possess extensive programming expertise.

The application of KH Coder to analyze a musical libretto like 'Wicked' aligns well with its documented uses in exploring character concerns, interpersonal relationships, and plot patterns through the analysis of word frequencies, thematic clusters, and network visualizations. Steinhall, N., et al's (2024) study on "Wicked" is a direct example of this application. The software's capacity to process English language texts and perform a variety of statistical analyses makes it a suitable instrument for a detailed investigation of the rich textual data within a musical, encompassing both dialogue and lyrical content.

Among KH Coder's strengths are its user-friendly interface, which has contributed to its increasing popularity, its open-source nature allowing for methodological transparency and verification, and its explicit design to facilitate the integration of quantitative findings with qualitative analytical depth. However, effective use of the tool necessitates careful data preparation, including text cleaning and formatting. Furthermore, a general challenge in computational literary studies, applicable here, is the crucial step of interpreting statistical outputs and visualizations within the nuanced context of the literary work. While KH Coder provides powerful means for quantitative analysis and pattern discovery, the ultimate validity and richness of the findings in literary studies depend heavily on the researcher's qualitative interpretive skills and their ability to connect computational results back to the text's specific meanings, aesthetic qualities, and broader literary or cultural contexts. The tool, therefore, serves as an aid to, rather than a replacement for, scholarly interpretation.

2.4 Recent Developments, Challenges, and Future Directions

The field of computational literary analysis has witnessed rapid evolution, particularly since 2020, driven by advancements in artificial intelligence and a growing critical engagement with the methodologies employed. This period is characterized by the increased sophistication of analytical tools, the emergence of specialized subfields, and a heightened awareness of the limitations and ethical dimensions of computational approaches to literature.

2.4.1 Advancements in Computational Literary Studies

The years from 2020 to the present have been marked by a significant surge in the application of advanced Natural Language Processing (NLP), Artificial Intelligence (AI), and especially Large Language Models (LLMs) like GPT variants, to textual analysis within literary studies and the broader digital humanities. These sophisticated tools offer enhanced capabilities for a range of tasks, including nuanced sentiment analysis, complex topic modeling, automated narrative generation, and even the simulation of dynamic character interactions in dramatic scenarios. The rapid development of LLMs, in particular, presents both a substantial opportunity for more refined automated analysis of literary texts and a considerable challenge due to their

often opaque “black box” nature and their documented potential for generating biased or fabricated content (hallucinations), thereby demanding even more rigorous critical oversight and validation from researchers.

Alongside these technological advancements, specialized subfields are beginning to coalesce, such as “Computational Narratology.” This emerging area seeks to systematically integrate data-driven computational methods with established narratological theories to model, analyze, and interpret narrative structures, plot progressions, character networks, and thematic developments across diverse media and cultural contexts. The formalization of such subfields signifies a maturation of computational literary studies, indicating a move from the general application of computational tools to the development of more specialized, theory-informed computational approaches tailored to specific aspects of literary inquiry, like narrative itself.

Concurrent with this expansion of technical capabilities is a growing scholarly emphasis on “tool criticism”. This involves a critical and reflexive evaluation of the underlying assumptions, inherent biases, and functional limitations of the computational tools and methods being deployed in literary research. New theoretical frameworks are also emerging that aim to better integrate computational findings with traditional hermeneutic practices, addressing concerns about representation, algorithmic bias, and the overall validity of computationally derived interpretations. This dual movement-towards increasing technological sophistication on one hand, and deepening critical self-reflection on the other-suggests a field that is actively expanding its analytical power while simultaneously engaging in a crucial examination of its methodological and epistemological foundations.

3. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

This study focuses on content analysis through text mining techniques using KH Coder 3 (Koichi, 2017), offering a unique opportunity to delve into the narrations of characters from various perspectives, including patterns of speech and the complexities of character interactions that traditional literary analysis might miss. The detailed data analysis procedure involves several steps. Step 1 involves preparing the texts for processing. The corpus consists of 27,140 tokens (i.e., individual items) and 2,597 types (i.e., distinct classifications in the text) (McEnery & Wilson, 2001). Step 2 entails initiating a new project and configuring stop-words. Stop-words are functional words like prepositions and contractions that are excluded to ensure more meaningful analysis results. Step 3 focuses on extracting the word frequency list from the text, categorized by part of speech and occurrence rate. This step aims to identify the main protagonist, supporting characters, and primary themes portrayed. In Step 4, word co-occurrence analysis is conducted to uncover connections and relationships among words or expressions, aiding in the identification of underlying themes and patterns. Step 5 involves performing correspondence analysis, allowing for a more comprehensive understanding of the narrative's progression by examining words with distinct characteristics.

4. RESEARCH RESULTS & DISCUSSION

To address Research Question 1, we conducted an analysis of keyword frequencies. Examining the statistics of word frequency proves to be a useful and insightful method for identifying the underlying themes within a text. This approach is based on the premise that words with higher frequencies provide more significant insights into literary themes compared to less frequently occurring words (Ryan & Bernard, 2003). Initially, Table 1 presents the top ten most frequently occurring words across the four lexical categories, along with their respective frequencies. Interestingly, while not many adjectives surfaced, the analysis revealed occurrences of ‘good’ (30 times), ‘wicked’ (24 times), ‘happy’ (15 times), ‘perfect’ (8 times), and ‘wrong’ (7 times). Through the keyword frequency analysis, it became evident that ‘Elphaba’ and ‘Glinda’ emerge as the central characters in the musical *Wicked*. Although this observation may have been apparent initially, the results obtained through text mining provide more precise information, making a substantial contribution to this study. Rawlins (2009) emphasizes that “telling stories together explores the points of view and particularities of each friend’s individuated life” (p. 47). In their dialogues, ‘Elphaba’ and ‘Glinda’ take turns speaking and listening, highlighting the importance of dialogue and active listening, as demonstrated in *Wicked* (Schrader, 2013).

Table 1 Frequency of Keywords

Proper Noun	Freq	Noun	Freq	Verb	Freq	Adv	Freq	Adj	Freq
Elphaba	384	way	41	do	252	so	74	good	30
Glinda	244	one	39	have	188	just	70	wicked	24
Dorothy	183	man	39	go	106	here	56	happy	15
Wizard	131	door	32	know	84	now	54	perfect	8
Fiyero	114	student	29	get	83	back	44	wrong	7
Scarecrow	105	guard	26	see	74	well	38		
Oz	81	heart	23	sing	71	then	34		
Nessarose	74	thing	22	come	53	too	27		
Boq	66	time	21	look	53	never	26		
Witch	50	stage	20	think	50	very	24		

For Research Question 2, we utilized the Co-Occurrence Network of Words, as illustrated in Figure 1, to identify topical groups. Table 2 presents four distinct topical groups that emerged from our analysis. In the first group (Topic-1), words such as ‘Witch,’ ‘Elphaba,’ ‘know,’ ‘guard,’ and ‘wicked’ were clustered together, leading to the topic of Elphaba’s portrayal as a witch. The second group (Topic-2) consisted of words like ‘Wizard,’ ‘Oz,’ ‘get,’ ‘see,’ and ‘door,’ primarily providing contextual information. The third group (Topic-3) included ‘Glinda,’ ‘Fiyero,’ ‘follow,’ ‘Boq,’ and ‘make,’ indicating conflicts among the characters. Lastly, the fourth group (Topic-4) featured words such as ‘Elphaba,’ ‘Glinda,’ ‘heart,’ ‘make,’ and ‘just,’ highlighting the close relationship between Elphaba and Glinda.

Table 2. Topic Information

	1st Keyword	2nd Keyword	3rd Keyword	4th Keyword	5th Keyword
Topic-1	Witch	Elphaba	know	guard	wicked
Topic-2	Wizard	Oz	get	see	door
Topic-3	Glinda	Fiyero	follow	Boq	make
Topic-4	Elphaba	Glinda	heart	make	just

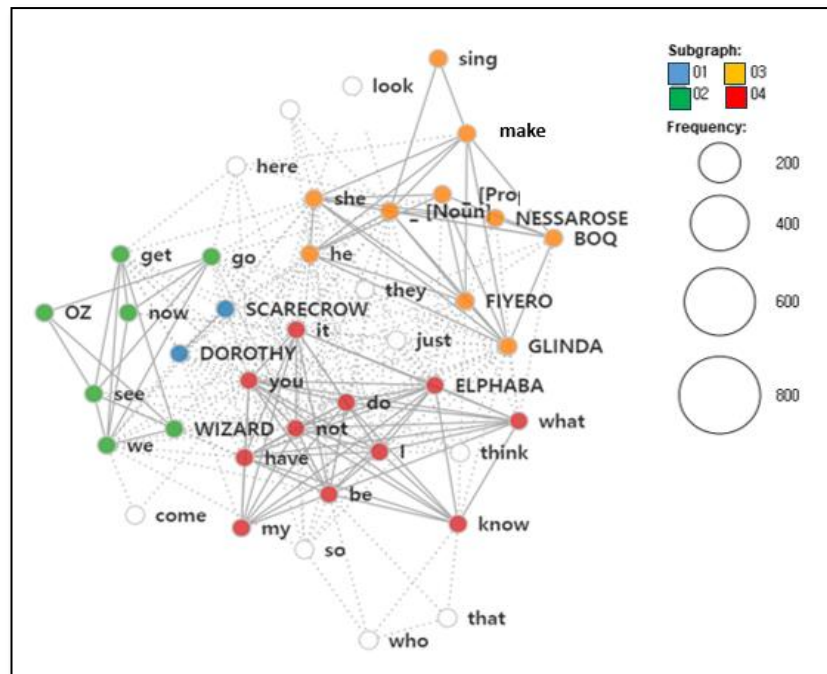


Figure 1. Co-Occurrence Network of Words

5. CONCLUSION

This research sheds light on the promising application of text mining in literary analysis, offering a valuable tool to unveil the intricate techniques authors employ to construct narrative complexity in a linear fashion. Integrating text mining methods into literary analysis represents a significant advancement, providing scholars and researchers with robust tools to uncover hidden patterns, themes, and insights within vast and intricate literary collections. By utilizing advanced computational techniques, this approach enables a nuanced exploration of texts, surpassing traditional methods to uncover deeper meanings and trends that may have otherwise gone unnoticed.

In essence, the fusion of text mining techniques with literary analysis not only enriches scholarly endeavors but also fosters a deeper comprehension of the diverse narratives that shape our cultural landscape. The ongoing evolution of these methods presents an intriguing avenue into the essence of literary inquiry, urging researchers to unveil the mysteries within texts and redefine the boundaries of literary scholarship.

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Integrating Interdisciplinary Workshop Design to Advance Life Skills and Leadership Among Graduate Students at Private Universities in Thailand

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Abstract

This research examines the development and impact of a workshop program aimed at enhancing life skills, learning abilities, professional competencies, and leadership within an interdisciplinary framework applicable to social, educational, and business contexts. The study addresses the gap in structured training programs that integrate these essential skills. A workshop-based learning approach was employed, utilizing a detailed lesson plan, pre- and post-workshop assessments, and a satisfaction survey. The sample consisted of 150 participants, selected through cluster sampling, with data analyzed using statistical methods such as percentages, means, standard deviations, t-tests, and dependent samples t-tests. Results showed significant improvements in participants' life skills, professional competencies, and leadership abilities, with performance outcomes demonstrating notable gains at the 0.05 significance level. Participants also expressed high satisfaction with the workshop, rating their overall experience highly. The study further explored techniques for selecting appropriate journals and submitting articles to quality national and international databases, offering practical guidance for academic publication. These findings highlight the workshop's effectiveness in developing essential skills across various contexts and emphasize its innovative approach to interdisciplinary skill development. The research holds significant implications for educational institutions, businesses, and policymakers, providing a scalable model for enhancing workforce readiness and leadership capacity while contributing to academic discourse on effective training methodologies.

Keywords: Workshop program, life skills, professional skills, leadership, interdisciplinary, journal selection, research paper publication

1. INTRODUCTION

The development of life skills, professional competencies, and leadership is crucial for enhancing individuals' capacity to work effectively and adapt to the dynamic demands of contemporary society. Graduate students particularly those enrolled in private universities in Thailand are increasingly expected to excel across diverse contexts, including social, educational, and business environments. Workshop-based learning programs have emerged as a promising strategy for cultivating these essential skills, utilizing interactive and experiential approaches to support holistic personal and

professional growth (Ali, Khan, & Ashraf, 2024; Wurdinger & Qureshi, 2015). These programs often adopt interdisciplinary frameworks that integrate perspectives from education, business, and the social sciences to address complex, multifaceted challenges. Furthermore, the ability to disseminate research through high-quality academic publications has become an indispensable competency for graduate students, requiring familiarity with journal selection criteria and submission protocols (Chukwuedo, 2019; Worapongpat, 2024a). Despite increased attention to skill development, there remains a significant gap in the availability of structured, evidence-based workshop models that concurrently promote life skills, professional competencies, leadership, and academic publishing proficiency within an interdisciplinary learning context (Dongjie & Worapongpat, 2024).

A significant challenge in current skill development programs lies in their lack of structural coherence and limited generalizability across diverse contexts. Many initiatives employ data-driven approaches that target isolated skill sets such as technical proficiency or leadership without integrating these elements into a unified framework that reflects the interconnectedness of real-world challenges (Ali et al., 2024). For example, while some workshops effectively enhance specific professional skills, they often overlook the dynamic interplay between life skills, leadership, and interdisciplinary problem-solving, thereby restricting their applicability in complex environments (Chukwuedo, 2019). Moreover, the absence of standardized evaluation metrics across social, educational, and business domains impedes scalability and reduces the overall impact of such programs. This fragmentation highlights the critical need for a comprehensive, interdisciplinary workshop model that not only facilitates robust skill development but also ensures measurable outcomes and participant satisfaction.

Current literature reveals a critical research gap: the lack of integrated frameworks that simultaneously promote interdisciplinary skill development and provide practical guidance on academic publishing. Although studies such as Dunlap (2005) and Tariq (2024) underscore the value of project-based and transdisciplinary approaches in fostering life skills, they do not incorporate the concurrent development of professional competencies and leadership within a structured workshop environment. Similarly, research addressing journal selection and publication strategies such as that by Worapongpat (2023) remains largely disconnected from skill development initiatives, resulting in limited preparation of graduate students for both practical and academic success. Furthermore, existing frameworks often fail to reconcile competing objectives, such as balancing effective skill acquisition with participant satisfaction or aligning interdisciplinary training with academic publishing outcomes. This study seeks to address these deficiencies by designing and evaluating an innovative workshop model that integrates life skills, professional competencies, leadership development, and academic publishing capabilities within a cohesive interdisciplinary framework.

This research makes several significant contributions to the field. First, it introduces a pioneering workshop program designed to enhance life skills, professional competencies, and leadership among graduate students in private universities in Thailand. The program adopts an interdisciplinary approach that bridges educational, business, and social domains, and is grounded in a robust theoretical foundation integrating project-based learning (Wurdinger, 2016) and transdisciplinary education

(Tariq, 2024). Second, it provides empirical validation of the program's effectiveness by analyzing pre- and post-workshop performance outcomes using rigorous statistical techniques, including t-tests, which demonstrate statistically significant improvements at the 0.05 level. Third, it explores participant satisfaction with the workshop activities, thereby contributing to a deeper understanding of the factors influencing engagement and perceived value in interdisciplinary training (Ali et al., 2024). Lastly, the study offers practical guidelines for journal selection and submission both nationally and internationally addressing a critical skill gap among graduate students seeking to publish their research (Worapongpat, 2023). Collectively, these contributions advance theoretical knowledge, provide actionable insights for educators, and enhance the academic and professional readiness of graduate students in Thailand's private higher education sector.

2. THEORIES AND RELATED LITERATURE

This section reviews key theories and empirical studies on interdisciplinary workshop programs aimed at enhancing life skills, professional competencies, leadership, and academic publishing among graduate students in Thailand's private universities. Drawing from peer-reviewed literature, the review focuses on foundational theories, recent developments, limitations, and trends relevant to program development and evaluation.

2.1 Foundational Concepts and Methodologies Theoretical Foundations include Experiential Learning Theory (ELT), which emphasizes learning through experience, reflection, conceptualization, and experimentation (Wurdinger & Rudolph, 2009), and Participatory Learning Theory, which promotes active involvement and collaboration (Worapongpat & Chayboonkrong, 2024). These theories underpin workshop-based and project-based learning approaches that cultivate problem-solving and leadership. Servant Leadership Theory and organizational development principles further support leadership and teamwork development (Suminar et al., 2024; Worapongpat & Phakamach, 2024). Methodologies often combine quantitative (e.g., t-tests) and qualitative (e.g., satisfaction surveys) assessments to evaluate outcomes (Ali et al., 2024).

2.2 Recent Developments (2020–Present) Recent trends highlight the integration of technology and transdisciplinary approaches. Digital tools and AI personalize learning and enhance engagement (Worapongpat, 2025). Transdisciplinary frameworks foster critical thinking and adaptability (Tariq, 2024). Leadership training and academic publishing skills have also gained attention, equipping students for complex professional and academic roles (Worapongpat, 2023, 2024a).

2.3 Gaps and Limitations Challenges include fragmented program designs, lack of standardized evaluation, insufficient focus on publishing training, and limited data on participant satisfaction (Chukwuedo, 2019; Worapongpat & Kumla, 2024). Many programs are resource-intensive and lack scalability, with few studies tracking long-term impacts (Worapongpat & Arunyananon, 2025).

2.4 Trends Shaping the Field Emerging trends include digital transformation, transdisciplinary learning, emphasis on academic publishing, and learner-centered design. These shifts reflect efforts to enhance program relevance, engagement, and

practical outcomes (Worapongpat et al., 2024; Ali et al., 2024).

2.5 Relevance to the Present Study this study builds on ELT and participatory learning to design an interdisciplinary workshop that integrates academic publishing and leadership training. It addresses identified gaps through evidence-based methods and aligns with current trends to support scalable and impactful graduate education in Thailand.

2.6 Conceptual Framework

This framework aims to holistically develop postgraduate students by strengthening life skills, learning capacity, professional competencies, leadership, and academic publishing in an interdisciplinary setting. Rooted in active learning, it follows a four-stage structure: Issue-Based Initiation and Contextual Learning Trainees engage with real-world issues to foster critical thinking and broaden perspectives by: Asking questions and exploring diverse problem-solving methods. Interacting with relevant challenges in life skills, leadership, and publishing. Self-Directed Skill Development Students independently build key competencies through: Analyzing target journals and writing articles for publication (Worapongpat, 2025; Xunan & Worapongpat, 2023). Applying leadership principles in realistic scenarios. Collaborative and Participatory Engagement Participants co-create knowledge via: Group discussions on case studies and journal strategies. Practicing academic communication and shared leadership tasks. Integrative Reflection and Conceptual Synthesis Learners connect theory to practice by: Reflecting on growth and synthesizing interdisciplinary insights (Worapongpat, 2024b–2024e). Creating actionable strategies for continuous improvement.

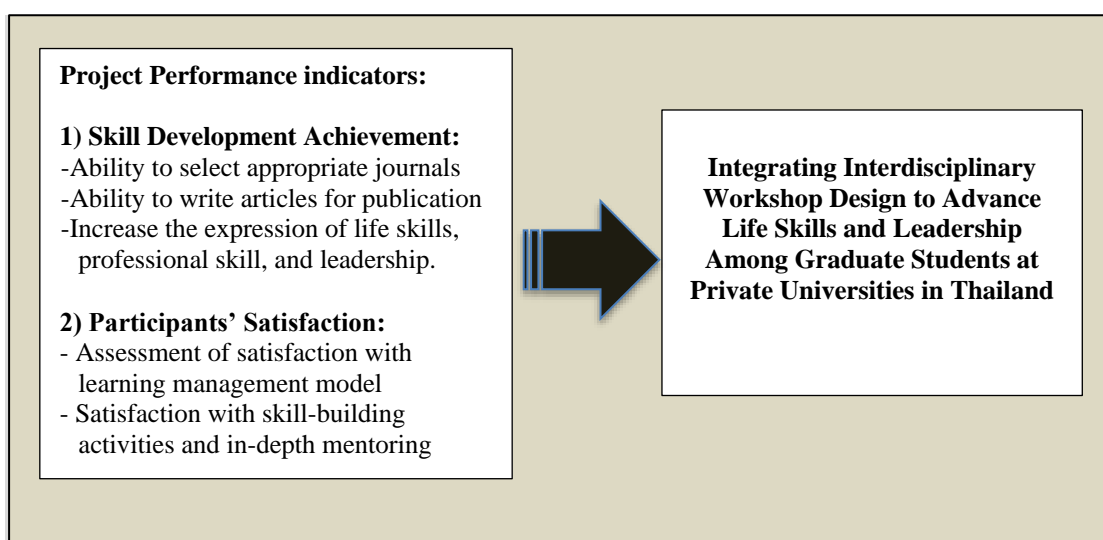


Figure 1: Research Conceptual Framework

This conceptual framework is designed to comprehensively develop postgraduate students by enhancing their life skills, learning capabilities, professional competencies, leadership qualities, and academic publication expertise within an interdisciplinary learning environment. The framework follows an active learning process that emphasizes critical thinking, participation, and individual capacity building, divided into four main stages.

The first stage, Issue-Based Initiation and Contextual Learning, exposes trainees to real-world challenges related to life skills, learning strategies, professional practices, leadership, and academic publishing. This stage encourages trainees to ask questions, expand their perspectives, and explore various problem-solving approaches.

The second stage, Self-Directed Learning, guides trainees to independently cultivate essential skills, such as analyzing target journals for publication, writing academic articles according to journal standards, and applying leadership principles in real-life contexts.

The third stage, Collaborative and Participatory Engagement, fosters an environment for trainees to exchange ideas, analyze case studies, and compare diverse practices, including journal selection analysis, article topic formulation, and effective leadership communication.

Finally, the Integrative Reflection and Conceptual Linkage stage enables trainees to consolidate their learning, connecting theoretical concepts with practical applications from an interdisciplinary perspective. Trainees are encouraged to reflect on their personal development strategies and apply actionable insights for continuous skill enhancement.

3. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

3.1. Population and Sample Group

The population for this study comprises personnel from private higher education institutions, graduate students enrolled in Educational Administration and Business Administration programs (Master's and Doctoral levels), full-time faculty members, subject matter experts, and personnel from other academic disciplines at the graduate level from the following institutions: Shinawatra University, Rangsit University, Sripatum University, Bangkok University, and Mahanakorn University. The total number of participants includes 50 individuals from the aforementioned universities and 100 academic network partners participating in a professional development workshop aimed at enhancing life skills, learning abilities, professional competencies, and leadership in the fields of social sciences, education, business, and interdisciplinary research. This also includes training on journal selection and data submission systems for publishing academic and research articles in national and international journals.

The sample group was selected using purposive sampling from the identified population. It consists of 50 personnel and graduate students from private universities, 100 academic network partners, and 10 research and academic writing experts. The sample size was determined using the G*Power 3.1.9.4 program, with a significance level (α) of 0.05, statistical power of 0.80, and an effect size of 0.38. Cluster sampling was then applied.

3.2. Research Instruments

Structured Interview and Content Analysis

Structured interviews were developed to gather expert opinions, focusing on

design appropriateness, content, and usability. The interview data were analyzed using content analysis techniques.

Pre- and Post-Training Achievement Test

The tests aimed to assess the effectiveness of the training in enhancing participants' daily life skills, professional and leadership abilities, behavioral and attitudinal changes, long-term application of skills, learner satisfaction, career progression, and teamwork capability. Responses reflect the knowledge and skills gained from the training and their practical application.

Satisfaction Questionnaire

A 5-point Likert scale questionnaire was used to evaluate students' satisfaction with the instructional model aimed at developing core competencies in industrial metrology.

3.3. Research Procedure

The research procedure was divided into four key phases:

Phase 1: Literature Review and Draft Development

A comprehensive study and analysis of instructional plans and relevant research were conducted to design a teaching model aimed at enhancing core competencies in industrial metrology. A draft of the instructional model was developed and reviewed by three experts using structured interviews and content analysis.

Phase 2: Development of the Instructional Model

Using insights from Phase 1, a full instructional model was developed, comprising nine key components: Learning outcome achievement, Ability to select appropriate journals, Academic writing and publication skills, Enhanced life, professional, and leadership skills, Participant satisfaction, Evaluation of learning design satisfaction, Satisfaction with skills development activities

In-depth consultation services

Supporting documents, including an instructional manual and teaching materials.

The model and its materials were evaluated by ten experts: four specialists in educational media and industrial metrology, three non-sample graduate students, and three representatives from relevant enterprises.

Phase 3: Experimental Implementation and Outcome Comparison

This phase involved the implementation of the workshop-based training model and comparison of pre- and post-training outcomes across various dimensions: life skills, learning ability, professional competencies, leadership, journal selection techniques, and data management systems for academic publishing.

Phase 4: Satisfaction Evaluation

An evaluation was conducted to assess the effectiveness of the instructional model in terms of teacher roles, instructional media, teaching methodology, and

learning environment. The assessment focused on knowledge, skills, and attitudes, using post-implementation data to calculate mean scores and standard deviations.

Achievement Test

The pre- and post-training multiple-choice test (30 items) was validated for content relevance by three experts. Items with an Item-Objective Congruence (IOC) index of ≥ 0.67 were selected. A try-out was conducted with 39 non-sample students to analyze difficulty index (0.28–0.80), discrimination index (0.20–0.55), and reliability (0.82).

Satisfaction Questionnaire

An open-ended, 5-point Likert scale questionnaire (10 items) was also validated by three experts, selecting items with an IOC of ≥ 0.67 to ensure alignment with the defined constructs.

Controlled Variables

The study controlled for factors such as data analysis skills, academic technology usage, collaborative leadership, decision-making ability, and communication effectiveness.

4. RESEARCH FINDINGS

The researcher conducted a workshop activity based on a four-step learning management process, using the training plan with a sample group of participants during the second semester of the 2024 academic year. The achievement was assessed before and after the training using a 30-item knowledge and skills test (total score 30 points). Additionally, participants were asked to complete a satisfaction survey regarding the workshop process.

The analysis of the pre- and post-training scores revealed that the average score after training was 24.62 out of 30, which is 82.07%, higher than the standard threshold of 70%, with statistically significant results at the .05 level ($t = 11.10$, $df = 37$, $p\text{-value} = 0.000$).

Table 1: Comparison of Achievement in Life Skills, Learning, Professional Skills, and Leadership Development

Test	n	Full Score	70% Threshold	M	S.D.	t	df	p-value
Post-training	150	30	21	24.62	2.98	11.10*	37	0.000

*Note: * Statistically significant at the .05 level.

From the analysis, it can be concluded that the workshop activity effectively enhanced the participants' achievement in life skills, learning, professional skills, and leadership development at a statistically significant level.

Table 2: Comparison of Achievement of Participants in the Workshop Program to Enhance Life Skills, Learning, Professional Skills, and Leadership Before and After the Training

Test	n	Full Score	M	S.D.	t	df	p-value
Pre-training	150	30	8.37	2.81	27.44*	37	0.000
Post-training	150	30	24.62	2.98			

*Note: * Statistically significant at the .05 level.

From Table 2, it can be observed that the participants in the workshop program to enhance life skills, learning, professional skills, and leadership in the fields of society, education, and business showed statistically significant improvement after the training at the .05 level. The average score after the training was 24.62, with a standard deviation of 2.98, compared to an average score of 8.37 before the training, with a standard deviation of 2.81. This indicates that the workshop was effective in enhancing the important skills of the participants.

Table 3: Satisfaction of Participants in the Workshop Program to Enhance Life Skills, Learning, Professional Skills, and Leadership

Evaluation of Satisfaction on the Learning Management Model	M	S.D.	Satisfaction Level
Satisfaction of Participants			
The training activities are interesting and encourage participation	4.35	0.50	Very High
The training process helps participants understand the content better	4.30	0.51	High
The trainer provides opportunities for participants to express their opinions freely	4.53	0.44	Very High
Average for Section	4.40	0.48	Very High

From Table 3, it can be seen that the participants expressed a high level of satisfaction with the training workshop. Specifically, the activities were considered most interesting and motivating, with an average score of 4.35, and the trainer's approach to allowing open expression was rated very highly at 4.53. The overall average for this section was 4.40, indicating very high satisfaction with the training program.

Table 4: Satisfaction with the Achievement Development of the Workshop Program to Enhance Life Skills, Learning, Professional Skills, and Leadership in Social, Educational, and Business Fields; Interdisciplinary Techniques for Journal Selection, Data Entry System for Publishing Research and Academic Articles in National and International Journals (Selecting Journals for Publication)

Success Indicators of the Program	M	S.D.	Satisfaction Level
1. Achievement in Skill Development			
1.1 The learning activities are interesting and motivate a desire to learn	4.46	0.40	Very High
1.2 The Open Approach learning process improves understanding of the content	4.41	0.40	High
1.3 Opportunities are provided to express opinions freely	4.64	0.33	Very High
Average for Section 1	4.51	0.37	Very High

Table 4: (Continuing)

Success Indicators of the Program	M	S.D.	Satisfaction Level
2. Ability to Select Appropriate Journals			
2.1 Enthusiasm for organizing learning activities	4.75	0.25	Very High
2.2 Uses stimulating questions to encourage students to think and express opinions	4.57	0.37	Very High
2.3 Provides clear advice and answers to questions	4.60	0.35	Very High
Average for Section 2	4.70	0.32	Very High
3. Ability to Write Articles for Publication			
3.1 Classroom space arrangement supports activity	4.46	0.40	Very High
3.2 The environment promotes participation in learning activities	4.57	0.37	Very High
Average for Section 3	4.52	0.63	Very High
4. Learning Outcomes: Demonstrating Increased Life Skills, Professional Skills, and Leadership			
4.1 Opportunities to fully express abilities and opinions	4.43	0.40	Very High
4.2 The Open Approach learning method increases enjoyment and motivation to learn	4.57	0.37	Very High
Average for Section 4	4.50	0.40	Very High
Overall Average	4.54	0.27	Very High

From Table 4, it can be seen that the participants expressed very high levels of satisfaction with all aspects of the program. The achievements in skill development, journal selection, article writing, and learning outcomes were all rated very highly. The overall average satisfaction score was 4.54, which indicates exceptional satisfaction with the program.

5. DISCUSSION

5.1 Research Objective 1: To develop life skills, learning skills, professional skills, and leadership in social, educational, and business contexts for the workshop participants within an interdisciplinary framework. The findings from the workshop training indicate that it played a crucial role in enhancing participants' life skills, learning abilities, and professional competencies. Specifically, skills related to time management, teamwork, and decision-making in real-life situations showed significant improvement. Furthermore, the program fostered leadership skills in social and educational contexts, enabling participants to adapt and excel as leaders in various social, educational, and business settings. The training, therefore, proved effective in enhancing skills applicable across multiple aspects of life and work (Worapongpat & Xiaoling, 2024; Worapongpat, Khamcharoen, & Cong, 2024).

5.2 Research Objective 2: To compare the development outcomes of life skills, learning skills, professional skills, and leadership of participants before and after participating in the workshop. Comparing the pre- and post-workshop outcomes revealed significant improvements in various skills, particularly in learning and professional areas. The results demonstrated marked advancements in leadership and professional management skills, with participants showing enhanced analytical abilities and decision-making after the training. These findings suggest that the workshop effectively contributed to the development of essential professional skills and leadership, which are crucial for professional growth in interdisciplinary contexts (Worapongpat et al., 2024; Worapongpat, Thavisin, & Viphoouparakhot, 2024).

5.3 Research Objective 3: To investigate the participants' satisfaction with the workshop activities focused on developing life skills, learning skills, professional skills, and leadership. The satisfaction survey results revealed that participants were highly satisfied with all aspects of the training. In particular, the learning activities, which stimulated interest and encouraged critical thinking ($M = 4.50$, $S.D. = 0.59$), the role of instructors ($M = 4.70$, $S.D. = 0.54$), and the learning environment ($M = 4.52$, $S.D. = 0.85$), were areas of high satisfaction (Worapongpat, N., 2025; Worapongpat, N., Deepimay, C., & Kangpheng, S., 2025). These findings suggest that participants had a positive experience and were able to fully develop various skills through the well-designed and engaging activities.

5.4 Research Objective 4: To explore techniques for selecting appropriate journals for publishing research and academic articles at the national and international levels, as well as how to submit articles to journal databases. Regarding the selection of journals for publishing research and academic articles, participants learned key techniques for choosing suitable journals that align with their research content. Additionally, they gained an understanding of the steps involved in submitting articles to high-quality journal databases, as well as the factors to consider when publishing research in national and international journals (Worapongpat, N., & Petnacon, C., 2025; Worapongpat, N., & Song, M., 2025). This knowledge significantly enhanced their ability to communicate academic knowledge and engage in effective scholarly dissemination.

6. SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

Overall, this study highlights the significant role that the workshop played in developing life skills, learning skills, professional skills, and leadership in social, educational, and business contexts for the participants. The training program not only fostered professional and leadership skills but also equipped participants with the necessary knowledge and skills to select appropriate journals for publishing research and to effectively disseminate their academic work.

Furthermore, the study found that participants were highly satisfied with the workshop's design, which emphasized skill development in various areas essential for both professional and personal life. The findings also suggest that the workshop successfully met the participants' expectations and provided them with valuable experiences and knowledge that can be applied in their future professional endeavors.

6.1 New Knowledge from the Research

From the study of Integrating Interdisciplinary Workshop Design to Advance Life Skills and Leadership Among Graduate Students at Private Universities in Thailand found knowledge that can be summarized into a diagram.

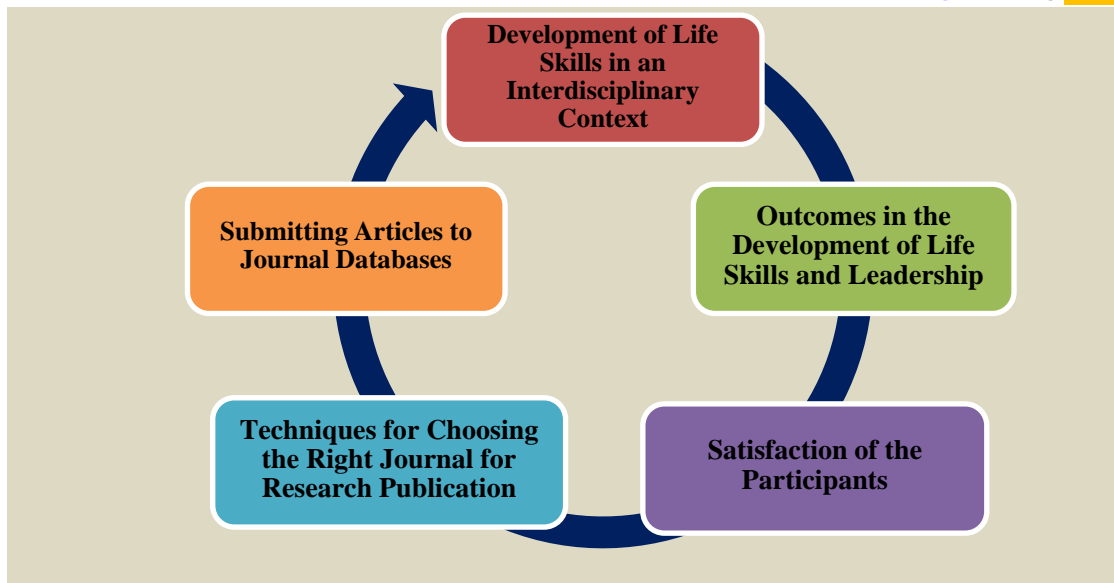


Figure 2: The Model Results
“Integrating Interdisciplinary Workshop Design to Advance Life Skills and Leadership Among Graduate Students at Private Universities in THAILAND”

From diagram 2, it is shown that *Integrating Interdisciplinary Workshop Design to Advance Life Skills and Leadership among the Graduate Students at Private Universities in Thailand*, the implementation of the workshop program focused on the development of life skills, learning skills, professional skills, and leadership in social, educational, and business contexts within an interdisciplinary framework revealed new knowledge that can be applied to the development of education and training across various contexts. The key findings are summarized as follows: 1) Development of Life Skills in an Interdisciplinary Context 2) Outcomes in the Development of Life Skills and Leadership 3) Satisfaction of the Participants 4) Techniques for Choosing the Right Journal for Research Publication 5) Submitting Articles to Journal Databases.

The new knowledge gained from this research can be applied to improve education and training in various fields, both academically and in life skills development. It ensures that participants are well-prepared to become effective leaders with a comprehensive set of skills, enabling them to work efficiently in complex and dynamic environments, both in their learning and in their everyday lives.

6.2 Suggestions

6.2.1 Suggestions for Applying Research Results

Results from Research Objective 1

To develop life skills, learning skills, professional skills, and leadership in social, educational, and business contexts for the workshop participants in an interdisciplinary framework. The research results indicate that the workshop successfully enhanced participants' life skills, learning skills, professional skills, and leadership. Specifically, participants showed marked improvement in time management, teamwork, and decision-making under real-world scenarios. Therefore, relevant agencies should take action as follows: Diversify and Expand Learning Activities: Develop a wider range of

learning activities to further support skill development in varied contexts, ensuring that participants can practice these skills in different environments. Emphasize Experiential Learning: Prioritize real-world, hands-on learning experiences that foster practical life skills and can be immediately applied in professional and social settings. Ongoing Assessment: Implement continuous assessment mechanisms to monitor and evaluate participants' progress in these areas to ensure that the training remains effective in achieving the desired outcomes.

Results from Research Objective 2

To compare the development outcomes of life skills, learning skills, professional skills, and leadership of participants before and after participating in the workshop. The findings revealed that participants exhibited significant improvement in key skills, especially in learning and professional competencies. Additionally, leadership and professional work management skills showed noticeable enhancement. Therefore, relevant agencies should take action as follows: Comprehensive Pre- and Post-Training Data Collection: Ensure detailed, systematic collection of pre- and post-training data from participants to assess the direct impact of the workshop on skill development. Investigate Influential Factors: Examine the external factors influencing skill development, such as organizational support, collaboration with peers, and mentorship, to better understand the conditions under which participants thrive. Long-Term Support and Follow-Up: Organize follow-up activities and continued learning opportunities to maintain and reinforce the skills developed during the workshop, encouraging lifelong learning.

Results from Research Objective 3

To investigate the participants' satisfaction with the workshop activities focused on developing life skills, learning skills, professional skills, and leadership. The results showed that participants were highly satisfied with the workshop activities, especially in terms of the learning activities, instructor roles, and learning environment. Therefore, relevant agencies should take action as follows: Regular Feedback Collection: Establish structured mechanisms for continuous feedback from participants to identify areas for improvement and to fine-tune the learning experience in future training sessions. Enhance Engagement in Learning Activities: Integrate more interactive and reflective activities that stimulate critical thinking and active participation, ensuring that the training remains engaging and beneficial. Focus on the Learning Environment: Improve the learning environment to make it more conducive to collaboration and skill development, considering factors such as space, resources, and technology.

6.2.2 Suggestions for Future Research

This research has contributed to understanding the impact of workshop-based training on the development of life skills, learning skills, professional skills, and leadership. The important takeaway is the effectiveness of interdisciplinary approaches in enhancing skills across different domains. These findings can be applied to similar programs in various contexts, particularly those aiming to foster professional development and leadership. For future research, attention should be given to: Longitudinal Studies: Conduct studies to explore the long-term effects of workshop training on participants' skill development and career advancement. Incorporate a Broader Range of Contexts: Research should investigate how such training programs can be tailored for different sectors, including education, business, and public service,

to address unique needs in each field.

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Financial Risk Management and the Impulse to Spend: A Qualitative Review of Gen Z's Socially-Driven Leisure Activity Consumption during the Coldplay Concert Phenomenon in Indonesia

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Abstract

This study investigates the intersection of impulsive buying behavior, social pressure, and financial risk management among Indonesian Generation Z in the context of leisure consumption, with particular attention to the Coldplay concert phenomenon. Employing a qualitative literature-based approach through content analysis, the research synthesizes existing academic insights to explore how socially driven motives, such as Fear of Missing Out (FOMO) and social legitimacy, influence financial decision-making. The findings reveal that Gen Z's impulsive spending is often triggered by emotional and cultural pressures, which override rational financial judgment. Furthermore, the study highlights the potential of applying Financial Risk Management (FRM) principles to interpret and mitigate such behaviors. This approach reframes impulsive spending as a form of personal financial risk that can be addressed through proactive risk identification and control strategies. The study emphasizes the need for youth-targeted financial education that integrates emotional and social dimensions, moving beyond traditional budgeting models. While limited by the absence of primary data, this research contributes a conceptual foundation for future empirical work on financial vulnerability in socially mediated consumer environments.

Keywords: Impulsive buying, Generation Z, FOMO, social legitimacy, financial risk management, leisure consumption, Coldplay concert, qualitative content analysis

1. INTRODUCTION

In recent years, Generation Z (Gen Z) has demonstrated a clear preference for experiential consumption over the ownership of physical goods. This shift is particularly evident in their prioritization of leisure-based experiences such as concerts, festivals, and travel, which are perceived as emotionally rewarding and socially sharable (Pine & Gilmore, 1998; Schmitt, 1999; Chatzidakis et al., 2016). The emotional value and social capital derived from these experiences contribute to their appeal in identity construction and peer validation (Tussyadiah & Pesonen, 2016; Williams et al., 2017). As a result, leisure events increasingly function as both consumption and self-expression channels for Gen Z (Zhang et al., 2023).

The 2023 Coldplay concert in Jakarta exemplifies how leisure experiences can escalate into large-scale social phenomena that influence spending behavior. The massive public interest, ticket scarcity, and inflated resale markets underscore the intensity of demand that transcends rational purchasing decisions (Aguilar & Waldfogel,

2018; Ma & Liu, 2021). In one widely reported case, a young fan sold his refrigerator and motorcycle to purchase a ticket worth Rp 11 million, highlighting the extremes some individuals pursued to join the concert experience (Pratama, 2023; Setiawan, 2023). Such instances reflect how cultural relevance and emotional hype can drive financial decisions beyond logical or planned behavior (Marwick, 2015; Leung et al., 2022).

The desire to attend events like the Coldplay concert is often not based on personal preference alone but is deeply embedded in a web of social validation and psychological pressure. The fear of missing out (FOMO), a key behavioral trigger among Gen Z, is closely tied to social comparison and the anxiety of exclusion from collective experiences (Przybylski et al., 2013; Alt, 2015; Stead & Bibby, 2017). The case of impulsive asset liquidation for concert tickets, as reported by Kompas and Motorplus, is emblematic of this behavioral shift—where emotional urgency overrides financial judgment (Pratama, 2023; Setiawan, 2023). Social media serves as an amplifier, constantly exposing users to curated lifestyles and symbolic milestones, further intensifying perceived social obligations (Casale & Fioravanti, 2020; Ekinci, 2024). In such contexts, impulsive spending becomes a mechanism to secure social legitimacy, often at the expense of personal financial security (Mahapatra et al., 2022; Mahena et al., 2025).

While impulsive buying behavior has been extensively studied in the domains of psychology and marketing, there is limited research integrating these insights with financial vulnerability and risk management frameworks (Verplanken & Herabadi, 2001; Rook & Fisher, 1995; Xiao & Porto, 2017). Existing models often underrepresent how financial literacy and long-term risk perception shape consumer responses to social pressure, particularly among youth (Lusardi & Mitchell, 2014; Potrich et al., 2016). Moreover, most studies examine impulsive spending in material goods rather than experiential contexts, leaving a conceptual gap in understanding financially risky behaviors in leisure spending (Baker & Wakefield, 2012; Omar et al., 2020).

Positioning financial risk management (FRM) within the analysis of Gen Z's impulsive buying enables a more multidimensional view of their behavior. FRM offers tools to evaluate behavioral finance indicators such as risk aversion, decision heuristics, and the lack of contingency planning, which are often absent in youth purchasing patterns (Anderson et al., 2017; Gutter & Copur, 2011; Hens et al., 2019). Applying these concepts can reveal how limited budgeting, poor foresight, and high responsiveness to peer norms combine into unsustainable financial decisions. Understanding these intersections is vital for developing targeted interventions in consumer education and financial literacy (Atkinson & Messy, 2012; Tang & Baker, 2016).

This article investigates the phenomenon of socially-driven consumption and impulsive buying among Indonesian Gen Z in the context of the Coldplay concert. It aims to explore how financial risk management principles can be used to interpret and contextualize the behavioral and emotional drivers of leisure-based spending. Through a literature-based qualitative review, this study addresses a critical gap between consumer behavior and personal financial risk frameworks, offering insights into both theoretical advancement and practical financial resilience strategies.

This paper proceeds as follows: Section 2 reviews relevant literature on impulsive buying, FOMO, social legitimacy, and financial risk management. Section 3 outlines the methodology and criteria used in selecting and analyzing literature. Section 4 presents the synthesis and discussion of findings, and Section 5 concludes with implications and future research directions.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Impulsive Buying Behavior among Gen Z

Impulsive buying is characterized by spontaneous, emotionally driven purchasing decisions that often disregard long-term consequences. Among Generation Z, this behavior is intensified by digital retail ecosystems and mobile-first platforms, which offer frictionless buying experiences (Chen & Yang, 2022; Wang & Li, 2023). Research by Alam and Ismail (2022) found that Gen Z's tendency toward hedonic gratification and real-time interaction with brands significantly correlates with higher levels of unplanned spending, particularly in leisure-related products and events. The accessibility of instant payment methods, combined with algorithm-driven personalized advertisements, further amplifies these impulsive tendencies (Rahman & Idris, 2023).

2.2 Social Legitimacy and FOMO in Youth Consumption

Fear of Missing Out (FOMO) has emerged as a central theme in understanding socially influenced consumption behavior, especially among younger generations. FOMO is not only a psychological state but also a socio-cultural pressure, often induced by social media visibility and peer comparison (Thompson & Lee, 2023). In leisure contexts, FOMO is directly linked to the need for social inclusion and validation, where attending events such as concerts becomes a symbolic act of group belonging (Garcia & Kim, 2022). A study by Lin and Yeo (2023) shows that Gen Z participants are more likely to engage in status-signaling behavior when leisure experiences are publicly visible, reinforcing cycles of impulsive spending to maintain social relevance (Nguyen & Patel, 2023).

2.3 Financial Literacy and Risk Vulnerability

Despite growing exposure to financial technology, Gen Z continues to show inconsistent levels of financial literacy, especially in translating knowledge into responsible behavior. Alvarez and Chen (2023) emphasize that financial competence among Gen Z is often superficial focused more on transactional knowledge than on deeper risk evaluation. Singh and Rao (2022) also report that Gen Z's overconfidence in using digital wallets and credit-based systems masks their underlying vulnerability to long-term financial stress. Furthermore, recent findings by Taylor and Morgan (2024) indicate that limited financial planning experience, compounded by poor budgeting habits, increases the likelihood of unsustainable consumption in the leisure sector.

2.4 The Role of Financial Risk Management in Personal Consumption

Financial Risk Management (FRM), though traditionally applied in corporate finance, is increasingly relevant to personal financial behavior. Integrating FRM

concepts into consumer finance allows individuals to assess risk exposure, anticipate contingencies, and improve decision-making under uncertainty (O'Connor & Davis, 2023). Lee and Thompson (2022) argue that risk identification and mitigation frameworks when taught early can shift consumption behavior from reactive to proactive. Martinez and Zhao (2023) support this by showing that young adults trained in FRM principles are less likely to incur debt or engage in emotionally driven purchases during socially pressured events. These findings reinforce the need for educational interventions that embed FRM into everyday financial decision-making.

2.5 Synthesis and Theoretical Implication

The interplay between impulsive buying, social pressure, and limited financial literacy reveals a significant gap in current financial education frameworks. While Gen Z faces an unprecedented level of exposure to leisure marketing and social validation cues, their preparedness to navigate such environments remains inadequate. The reviewed literature suggests that incorporating financial risk management into youth-targeted financial programs could offer a multidimensional buffer against impulsive leisure spending. This approach not only enhances individual financial resilience but also fosters long-term awareness of behavioral and emotional risk factors. The theoretical implication can be shown in Figure 1 below.

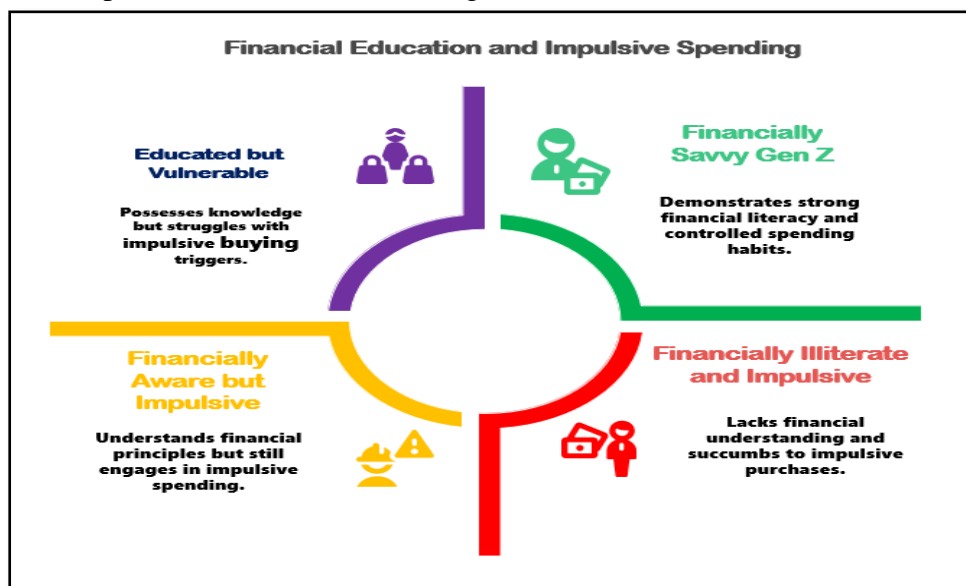


Figure 1: The Theoretical Implication
“Financial Education and Impulsive Spending”

3. METHODOLOGY

This study adopts a qualitative research approach grounded in literature-based inquiry. Rather than collecting primary data through interviews or surveys, this method emphasizes critical examination and interpretation of existing academic literature to explore how financial risk management concepts relate to the impulsive spending behavior of Indonesian Generation Z in the context of leisure consumption. According to Merriam and Tisdell (2016), qualitative literature studies allow researchers to explore meaning and patterns within a body of existing knowledge, especially when the objective is conceptual understanding rather than generalization.

The specific method employed in this study is qualitative content analysis (QCA), which enables systematic identification of themes, categories, and relationships across texts. QCA is a flexible yet rigorous strategy for analyzing written content and is particularly useful in synthesizing theoretical and empirical knowledge from various sources (Schreier, 2012). This technique allows for both inductive and deductive reasoning, enabling the researcher to draw insights from multiple perspectives while remaining anchored to the central research questions.

The analytical process was guided by the framework developed by Elo and Kyngäs (2008), which includes three main phases: preparation, organization, and reporting. During the preparation phase, scholarly literature was gathered from peer-reviewed journals indexed in databases such as Scopus, Emerald Insight, Taylor & Francis, and ScienceDirect, using keywords like “financial risk management,” “impulsive buying,” “Gen Z consumption,” and “leisure decision-making.” The organization phase involved open coding, category development, and thematic mapping of the content across selected publications. In the final reporting phase, a synthesis of these findings was structured into a narrative to address the research objective.

To ensure methodological rigor, the study follows the trustworthiness criteria established by Lincoln and Guba (1985), namely credibility, transferability, dependability, and confirmability. Credibility was maintained through clear inclusion criteria for literature selection and cross-checking of themes across multiple sources. Dependability and confirmability were addressed by documenting the coding process and maintaining an analytic memo throughout the research. This qualitative strategy enables contextual depth and theoretical richness, as suggested by Bowen (2009), especially in social behavior research where constructs such as legitimacy, peer influence, and emotional risk are deeply embedded in lived experiences.

By utilizing literature-based qualitative content analysis, this study provides a structured yet interpretive understanding of the impulsive spending patterns of Gen Z within a leisure context, interpreted through the lens of financial risk management. This methodological stance supports the objective of identifying not only what is already known but also what is yet to be explored in future empirical investigations shown in Figure 2.

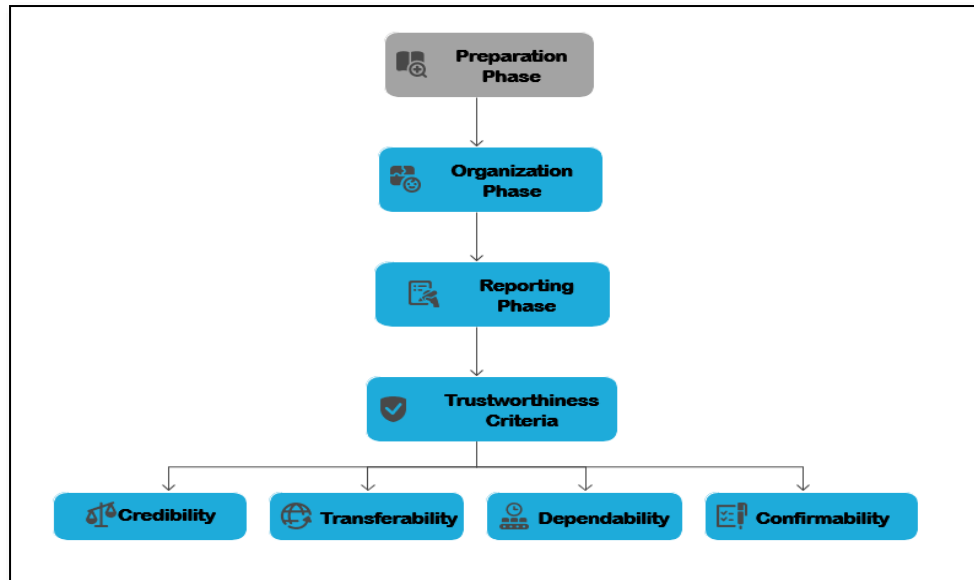


Figure 2: Research Methodology Flowchart

4. ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION

The Coldplay concert in Jakarta has become more than a musical event—it is a symbol of cultural belonging for Indonesian Gen Z. The intensity of the public response, with individuals making drastic financial decisions just to attend, highlights the emotional weight such events carry. Within this landscape, social pressure and FOMO (Fear of Missing Out) function not only as psychological stimuli but also as socially reinforced expectations. For many young people, attending high-profile events is equated with being part of a moment that defines generational identity. In this case, consumption becomes not merely an economic act, but a social performance.

This aligns with Mukti et al., (2024), who emphasize that the impulse to buy in such contexts is closely tied to social validation and the desire to maintain peer relevance. Even individuals with baseline financial literacy may struggle to apply their knowledge when faced with emotional urgency and the risk of social exclusion. The Coldplay example illustrates this dissonance between knowledge and action—between understanding financial limits and still choosing to exceed them due to social cues and digital visibility.

Using Qualitative Content Analysis (QCA), these patterns emerge not as isolated incidents but as themes that recur across studies on Gen Z behavior. The notion of credibility was reinforced by selecting high-quality, peer-reviewed sources that consistently describe similar behavioral dynamics across geographies and events. Transferability was addressed through the lens of Indonesian youth culture, particularly its collectivist tendencies and high engagement with social media, which further intensify FOMO-driven decisions.

The second line of inquiry in this study examines how Financial Risk Management (FRM) frameworks can be applied to interpret and potentially mitigate such behaviors. While traditionally situated in institutional or corporate settings, FRM offers valuable tools for understanding personal finance, especially in emotionally

charged contexts like leisure spending. Risk identification, scenario planning, and impact evaluation are all concepts that, when reframed for individuals, can empower Gen Z consumers to pause and assess the consequences of their actions.

Studies such as Lee and Thompson (2022) demonstrate that the introduction of FRM principles in youth education contributes to greater budgeting discipline and emotional regulation. By viewing impulsive spending as a financial risk event rather than as an isolated decision young people are better equipped to manage both internal drivers (like instant gratification) and external pressures (like peer comparison). In this research, dependability was ensured through transparent coding procedures, while confirmability was strengthened by maintaining a reflective log of analytical decisions, consistent with the criteria proposed by Lincoln and Guba (1985).

Ultimately, the findings suggest that Gen Z's impulsive spending is not solely the result of poor financial knowledge, but rather the interaction of emotional, social, and cultural forces that override rational planning. FRM offers a promising pathway not only for understanding these behaviors but also for designing financial interventions that are emotionally intelligent and socially relevant.

5. CONCLUSION AND IMPLICATIONS

This study explored the intersection of impulsive buying, social pressure, and financial risk management among Indonesian Generation Z within the context of leisure consumption, particularly during the Coldplay concert phenomenon. By employing a qualitative literature-based approach using content analysis, the research identified two major findings. First, socially driven impulses intensified by Fear of Missing Out (FOMO) and digital peer comparison strongly influence Gen Z's decision to engage in leisure spending, even at the expense of financial prudence. Second, the application of Financial Risk Management (FRM) concepts at the individual level provides a valuable framework for analyzing and mitigating such behavior, especially when integrated into youth financial education.

The findings offer several implications. Practically, educational institutions and financial literacy campaigns should incorporate emotional and social dimensions of spending into their curricula, rather than focusing solely on budgeting or savings. Addressing FOMO, peer conformity, and emotional regulation can improve financial outcomes for young adults. From a theoretical perspective, this study demonstrates the value of applying FRM principles in behavioral consumption contexts, expanding the scope of risk management beyond traditional corporate domains. It also reinforces the importance of interdisciplinary approaches in consumer behavior research, particularly when addressing vulnerable populations like Gen Z.

As with any study, limitations exist. This research is based solely on secondary data and qualitative content analysis. It does not involve empirical testing or direct engagement with participants, which restricts its generalizability. Additionally, while the Coldplay concert provides a rich cultural reference, future studies may explore broader or more diverse leisure activities to strengthen cross-event comparisons. Finally, the analysis focused on Indonesian Gen Z; comparative studies across different cultures or economic conditions would provide more nuanced insights into the global relevance of FOMO-driven impulsive buying and personal financial risk.

Despite these limitations, the study offers a timely conceptual contribution to understanding financial vulnerability in a socially mediated consumption environment and highlights the need for integrative, risk-aware financial education for emerging generations.

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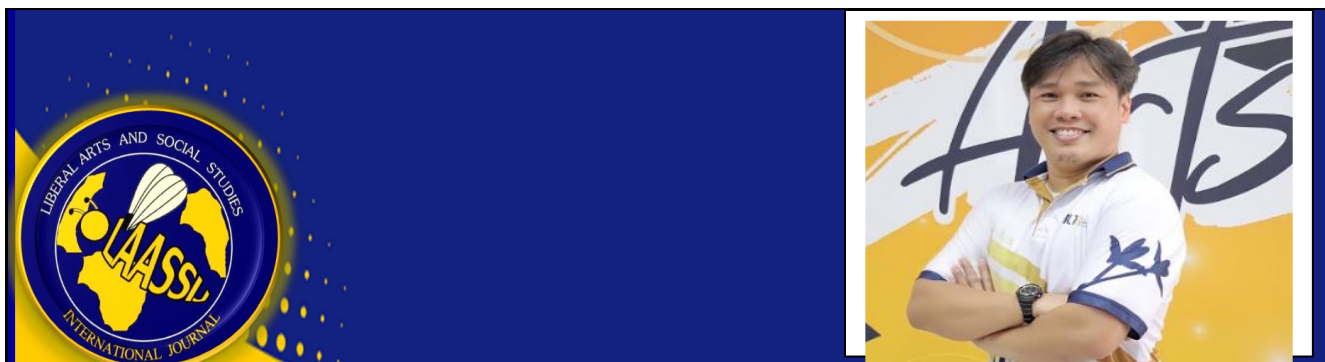
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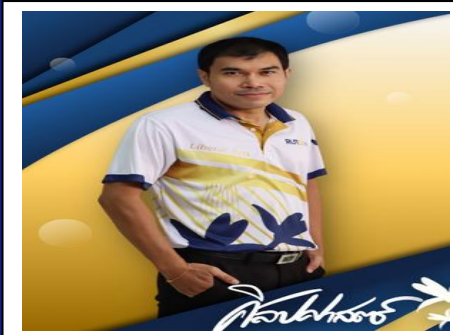
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