

ABSTRACT

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The aimed of this study was to find the correlation between friendship quality and loneliness among first year university student, who came from other cities to continue their study around Jabodetabek. Loneliness results from a different perceived of social relations, between their desirable social relationship with their actual social relationship. Meanwhile, friendship quality is an ideal state in which friendship brings advantages to the relationship. The research sample was 211 of university student from several public and private universities around Jabodetabek. Friendship quality was measured by McGill-Friendship Quality Friend Function and loneliness was assessed using UCLA Loneliness Scale (Revised). This study was a non-experimental quantitative study and Pearson's correlation analysis was used to test the hypothesis. The result shown that there was a strong and significantly negative correlation between friendship quality and loneliness with $r = -.556$ and $p = .000 < .01$. This finding indicated that first year university student scored higher in friendship quality and lower in loneliness. It could be conclude that someone would be less lonely when he had good quality of friendship.

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