

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter presents a brief description of the whole content of the research. The chapter comprises the Background of Study, Research Question, Objective of Study, Significance of Study, and Definition of Key Terms.

A. Background of Study

Language is a fundamental aspect of human life. According to Murni in the paper (2013,p.33) “Language is a system of arbitrary vocal symbol that us by a human for communication”. To communicate means to transfer ideas from one person to another. If people have a tool to communicate, every people’s activity and interaction will be stagnant. Language is very important for us and everyone the ability to speak or more languages. In society, many people use more than one language.

Students are expected to be able to speak in English well so that they are capable of governing global science and technology development. One of the alternatives considered capable of meeting this challenge is the implementation of a bilingual education program or a class with two introductory languages namely Indonesian and English that is so-called bilingual education. This is based on law no. 20 of 2003, article 50, verse 3 which states that government and/or local governments

conduct at least one unit of education at all levels to be developed into an international standard educational unit.

Cummins & Hornberger (2008) Bilingual education program has been implemented in various levels of school all over the world. Currently, a large majority of countries throughout the world offer some form of bilingual education either in public or private school settings. In Indonesia, the implementation of this program refers to the Act of the Indonesian Republic Number 20 the Year 2003 Article 50 Verse 3 advocates that the Indonesian government and the local government should have at least a unit of education at all levels of education to be developed further as a unit having international standards of education. One of the universities in Indonesia that implementation bilingual education programs is Muhammadiyah University Banjarmasin, faculty of nursing and health sciences. This program is required for the students of Bilingual Nursing.

Bagnato (2004) cited Paul & Julie (2012,p.90) Nursing education program was developed in Arizona specifically for students fluent in Spanish and English. This program, given the pseudonym in this study of the Spanish-English Nurse Education Program, was created to meet the critical need for bilingual nurses. Spanish-English Nurse Education was part of a concerted effort by several states to recruit bilingual students into educational programs that would lead to their licensure as nurses. That statement is also explained in the Quran surah Al-Mujadalah verse 11.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِذَا قِيلَ لَكُمْ تَفَسَّحُوا فِي الْمَجَالِسِ فَافْسَحُوا يَفْسَحِ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ وَإِذَا قِيلَ
 أَنْشُرُوا فَأَنْشُرُوا يَرْفَعِ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا مِنْكُمْ وَالَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْعِلْمَ دَرَجَاتٍ ۚ وَاللَّهُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ خَبِيرٌ

On that surah above, explains the virtues of those who study. How Allah will raise the rank of those who seek knowledge several times higher than those who do not. This sign indicates that with this knowledge humans can become nobler. So between faith and science must be in harmony and balance, so that if you become a scholar, become a knowledgeable scholar, if you become Nursing, you will become a nurse who is faithful and also knowledgeable, one of which is by learning English the implementation Bilingual Programs.

In this research, the writer chooses nursing students at Muhammadiyah University Banjarmasin my research subject. S1 Nursing Bilingual is one major in the faculty of nursing and health sciences at Muhammadiyah University Banjarmasin, and also nursing bilingual one of the major using Bilingual. Based on the description of background, the writer conducts research entitled, *“The Implementation of Bilingualism Education Programs at Bilingual Nursing Department of Muhammdiyah University Banjarmasin”*

B. Research Questions

Based on the background of the study, the research equations of the study can be formulated as the following:

1. What types of bilingual education programs is applied by Bilingual Nursing Department of Muhammadiyah University Banjarmasin?
2. How is the implementation of bilingual education programs at Bilingual Nursing Department of Muhammadiyah University Banjarmasin?

C. Objective of Study

1. To know what types of bilingual education programs is applied by Bilingual Nursing of Muhammadiyah Banjarmasin
2. To describe the implementation of bilingual education programs at Nursing Bilingual of Muhammadiyah University Banjarmasin.

D. Significance of Study

1. Theoretical
 - a. The finding of this research will give good information related to the implementation of bilingualism education programs at Bilingual Nursing Department of Muhammadiyah University Banjarmasin.
 - b. The finding of this research gives a profitable description of any further research which wants to study the same case, so this study becomes a piece of helpful information and a useful reference for the next study.

2. Practical

a. For the Nursing Students

By using appropriate bilingual education programs the writer hopes that the students will get enjoyment in the teaching and learning process. The students will not feel forced into learning English, but they will feel happy to learn since they are put in an enjoyable situation.

b. For the Lecturers

It enables lecturers to get information on using bilingual education programs for the students teaching in class. It is an important thing for the teacher to know the problem and the solution by using Bilingual in her classroom to make the students interested in the subject.

E. Definition of Key Term

1. Bilingual Education

Bilingual education programs referred to in this study are the use of two languages in the teaching and learning process.

2. Bilingual Program

A bilingual program is an instruction that uses two languages as media of instruction.

3. Nursing Students

The nursing students referred to in this study are S1 Bilingual Nursing Department at Muhammdiyah University Banjarmasin

