

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of Study

Writing a high-quality academic paper requires hard work that includes the search for credible and verified sources, maintaining the professional academic argument, analyzing conducted researches and making conclusions. Any piece that draws on the ideas and research of others must be properly referenced. Citations give credit to the people whose ideas and words you have borrowed. They respect the intellectual property rights of individuals. Accurate referencing also enables you to easily locate sources that you will use in future coursework or academic papers. Moreover, it also shows our teachers or professors that we have done your research and homework. Referencing provides evidence supporting any claim or assertion that you might make in your essay or paper. When you cite the work of experts, it gives your piece credibility. Referencing also makes your piece compelling and persuasive. Above all, it preserves the integrity of your work and others, and at the same time, upholds academic integrity by avoiding plagiarism. For some students, referencing is a skill that they might not possess. Even if they do, there are many styles of referencing that are currently used worldwide. Unless there is specific guidance from a mentor, supervisor or teacher, a student may find it hard to choose a citation style and the other hand, there are also students who skip referencing because it takes

too much time. Writing a paper already consumes time, and if they have to make a bibliography or insert sources, then it would even take longer to produce an essay. In addition, citation is also taken for granted as a basic skill that should have been learned before entering university or college.

Allah said in the Holy Qur'an on Sura Al-an'am ,verse 155:

وَهَذَا كِتَابٌ أَنْزَلْنَاهُ مُبَارَكٌ فَاتَّبِعُوهُ وَاتَّقُوا لَعَلَّكُمْ تُرْحَمُونَ ﴿١٥٥﴾

“And this [Qur'an] is a Book We have revealed [which is] blessed, so follow it and fear Allah that you may receive mercy”.

From the verse above, the writer can conclude that it is so important to follow guideline.

There are different referencing styles, which use different formats to provide the same information. Referencing is a method of giving credit to people whose intellectual work you have used to support any research you have carried out. It can also be used to locate sources and avoid plagiarism. Referencing styles dictate the information needed for the citation and how it is ordered, including punctuation. There are many citation styles but these are the most common :APA,MLA & Chicago.

Accurate and adequate referencing will help us to avoid accusations of plagiarism. However, there are other very important reasons to demonstrate good academic practice in all our coursework and academic undertakings,

including exams. Referencing means that our arguments will be clearly supported by evidence, we can use our own sources for further research in the future ,our work will be more convincing, our reader can find our sources ,our lecturer can see how widely we have read and whether we fully understand the work, our work will reflect expected academic values and good academic practice. Good academic practice is based on the concept of honesty with respect to the intellectual efforts of yourself and others. To ensure that our work is fairly judged, it ought to reflect your ability. Tutors do not expect a stage 1 undergraduate to produce an essay that resembles a research paper .However, all students are required to accurately cite all sources used in the text and also to give full bibliographic references in the bibliography or reference list.

There are some related studies that were conducted. One of them is the thesis by Asratiah (2017) entitled Analysis of Punctuation of Students` Theses at UIN ANTASARI Banjarmasin. This study focused on the punctuation used by students`in their background of study and the common punctuation errors in their background of study. Another study was conducted by Anthony R.Sanders,PhD(2020). The study which was investigated in 2020 focused on explored the use of a university-designed online tutorial required for students enrolled in a special online model of educational leadership courses offered from Spring II 2018 to Fall I 2019, and whether use of the tutorial influenced the required key assessment scores for these courses requiring mastery of APA.

Based on some explanation above, the writer is interested in carrying out the study entitled: **“ANALYSIS ON REFERENCING STYLES OF STUDENT’S THESIS IN ENGLISH DEPARTMENT AT ANTASARI STATE ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY”**

B. Statement of Problem

Based on the background of study that was explained above, there are one problems the researcher will identify which is in the research be formulated:

1. What are the referencing style errors that written by students in thesis references?

C. Objective of Study

Regarding to the formulation above, the purpose of this research are as following:

1. To know the referencing style errors that written by students in writing of thesis references.

D. Significance of Study

This study is expected to give contribution to :

1. Give contribution in the science, especially in giving description of the theories analysis of referencing style.
2. Enlarge writers knowledge and experience especially about the elements of writing in referencing style.

E. Definition of Key Terms

1. Thesis

a long piece of writing on a particular subject, especially one that is done for a higher college or university degree.

2. Referencing Style

Referencing style dictates the information necessary for a references and how the information is ordered, as well as punctuation and other formatting.

3. Referencing Style errors

Referencing style errors means something done wrong or mistake in writing references.