

THE APPRENTICESHIP DIFFICULTIES MANAGED BY SEAFARERS WHILE TRAINING ONBOARD



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Abstract

Apprenticeship is a system of training a new generation of practitioners of trade or profession with on-the-job training parallel with classroom learning and activities. This enables practitioners to achieve measurable competencies to gain a license to practice the full profession. This descriptive survey aimed at the apprenticeship difficulties managed by seafarers while training onboard which utilized ninety-seven (97) seafarers from Manila. Weighted mean and t-test were employed as statistical tools for data interpretation. The significant findings are (1) majority of respondents aged 26 years old and above of which a great number belong to above high monthly income group, (2) The respondents strongly agree with “seafarer experience homesickness” as the prevalent difficulties encountered while training onboard, and (3) The respondents recognize that negligence on duties is the primary cause of the difficulties encountered, and (4) there is no significant difference in the apprenticeship difficulties managed by the various respondents. Thus, despite variation in respondents’ profiles, the same difficulties felt by the seafarers were all the same.

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