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In this edition of The Probe, we spotlight our relentless commitment to enhancing research capabilities. The newsletter captures the essence of our dynamic efforts, featuring engaging webinar events designed to foster knowledge exchange and elevate research methodologies. Furthermore, we take pride in acknowledging the recent accomplishments of our university researchers, who have successfully contributed to international Scopusindexed journals and conference proceedings. Their achievements underscore our dedication to producing impactful research that resonates on a global scale.

Additionally, our commitment extends the dissemination continuous of research-related learning materials. We remain steadfast in providing a valuable resource hub, ensuring that the pursuit of knowledge is not only a personal journey for our researchers but a shared endeavor that contributes to the academic community at large. As we navigate the frontiers of research excellence, we invite you to delve into this newsletter for a glimpse into the innovative and transformative initiatives done by the UPHSL Research and Development Center.

UPHSL GRADUATE STUDENTS MENTORED ON IMRD STRUCTURE, ENCOURAGED TO BE VISIBLE THROUGH PUBLICATIONS

By: Vinz Aaron P. Ursudan



Empowering Tomorrow's Scholars. UPHSL webinar equips graduate school students with knowledge on IMRD Writing Structure for Research Publication.

In a significant move towards enhancing the research capabilities of the graduate students of the University of the Perpetual Help System Laguna (UPHSL), a webinar was launched by the UPHSL Research and Development Center in coordination with the UPHSL Graduate School focusing on the IMRD (Introduction, Methods, Results, and Discussion) writing structure for research publication last January 27, 2024 via Google Meet. This capacity-building initiative serves as a dual purpose - aiding students in publishing their researches and ensuring compliance with the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) Memorandum Order Number 15, Series of 2019 (CMO No. 15 S. 2019 Policies, Standards, and Guidelines for Graduate Program).

As per CMO No. 15 S. 2019, graduate students are mandated to publish or, at the very least, present evidence of acceptance of their research studies in refereed journals, whether nationally or internationally indexed. This directive aims to raise the quality of academic output and contribute to the body of knowledge in various fields.

Themed "Research Writing for Publication: IMRD in Focus", the event highlighted the significance and process of converting their master's theses and dissertations into journal articles. This is anchored in the trend "publish or perish" as explained by Dr. Galicia, university research director and resource speaker of the activity.

In his talk, he expressed the importance of being visible in the academic landscape and beyond through publication and citation. He emphasized that acquiring research skills involves not only understanding how to conduct research, but also how to transform traditional theses or dissertations into a format suitable for publication, following the IMRD structure to contribute to the advancement of knowledge as well as establish themselves as experts in their fields.

The 200-strong virtual attendees have responded positively to this initiative, recognizing the long-term benefits of mastering the IMRD framework. Many acknowledged the applicability not only in meeting their academic requirements, but also in elevating the quality of their research output, thereby contributing meaningfully to their respective academic disciplines.

UPHSL R&DC ELEVATES RESEARCH CAPABILITIES THROUGH DLSU-DEAL WEBINAR

By: Olivia J. Factoriza

The University of Perpetual Help System Laguna Research and Development Center (UPHSL R&DC) recently participated in a webinar entitled Navigating the Publication Jungle: The Challenge of Finding the Right Journal hosted by De La Salle University (DLSU) and DLSU Department of English and Applied Linguistics - DEAL last February 12, 2024.

The event, conducted via Zoom, featured esteemed resource speaker Dr. Leah Gustilo, the founding Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of English and Applied Linguistics. Dr. Gustilo shared valuable insights and expertise on the challenges researchers face in choosing appropriate journals for their scholarly works. R&DC personnel headed by Research Director, Dr. Leomar S. Galicia, together with Ms. Marteena Kyla R. Panopio and Mr. Vinz Aaron Ursudan, research associates, attended the virtual gathering.

The webinar, aimed at addressing challenges in scholarly publication, provided insights into navigating the complex landscape of academic research such as avoiding predatory journals, selection process of prestigious journals, and some publication opportunities. The center's participation in this webinar is a significant step towards enhancing UPHSL R&DC's research practices in order to contribute more effectively to the UPHSL community especially the Graduate School students and faculty in assisting their needs related to journal publication, ensuring the delivery of high-quality services to its stakeholders.

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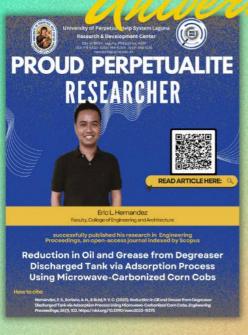
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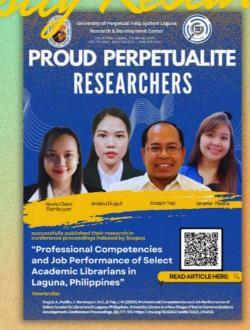
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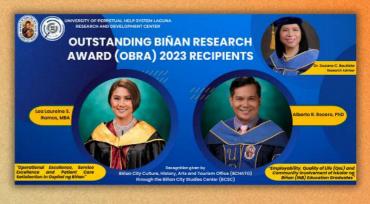
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RESEARCH PUBLICATION ON IMRD FORMAT

Keypoints

One of the goals of research is knowledge dissemination by publication.

publication knowledge and information to a larger

audience
-Publication of both positive and negative results contributes to future research

Since "publish or perish" is the norm, scientific writing using IMRD format is a skill that must be acquired.

Parts before IMRD section

Title

•Title by result (preferably); the most important result is made as the title.

•Catchy, interesting, relevant to international

audience ·Language should be universally

understandable
•Should not include extra words, such as "A Study of" or "Observations on"

Name of the Author(s)

Provide middle initial in the author's name (or names of the authors for team research), if applicable.; Set in upper-lower case

•Use the name of the institution in which the author is connected and its geographical cation (country).

Email Address

·Use an <u>email address that is not</u> embarrassina.

Pursuant to ISO Standards, no author shall use vahoomail.

address (preferably Google account) should at least have his/her name or nickname on it to help other people easily identify him/her.

Abstract

 An abstract is like a movie trailer, briefly summarizing the paper

·Gives readers and peer reviewers their first impression of the paper, so make your abstract interesting.

·Single paragraph

•The first sentence should clearly state the rationale/objective/purpose investigation.

•Methods or research design with numb of populations or samples.

·Significant findings of the investigation

·Impact/Implication of this work on the general field of study

•With 3 to 5 keywords

INTRODUCTION

Structure in Writing the Introduction - The Swales CARS Model

MOVE 1: Establishing a Territory

-> STEP 1: Claiming centrality

--> STEP 2: Making topic generalizations

--> STEP 3: Reviewing previous research MOVE 2: Establishing a Niche

-> STEP 1: Identifying Weaknesses

--> STEP 2: Indicating a Gap
MOVE 3: Occupying the Niche
--> STEP 1A: Outlining purposes
--> STEP 1B: Announcing main outcome --> STEP 2: Summarizing methods

--> STEP 3: Describing the main outcome --> STEP 4: Evaluating the value of the

research ---> STEP 5: Indicating structure of the article

or illustrative example, see: 1.https://uwaterloo.co/writing-centre/creating-research-spo

METHODOLOGY

The Methodology section should be described with such details and clarity that it will help other investigators to replicate work in their setting.

Content

Research design

•Who/what was examined (e.g., humans, animals, cadavers, tissue preparations)? ·What interventions were employed (e.g., oral, injectable, gases)?

•What instruments were used (e.g., online questionnaire, test) in the study, including validity and reliability of instrument used.

· The "Methods" section should also cover the ethical dimension of the study, including statements on consent and/or assent, risks and benefits of the study, confidentiality and anonymity, and how data are secured.

RESULTS

·Usually, the Results section consists of three nts: Text, Tables, and Graphs

·The text should be used to convey information and highlight the most important aspects of the figures and tables so that unnecessary duplication of data presented in tables and figures is avoided in the text

important observations need to be assized or summarized.

·The same data need not be presented both in tables and figures.

DISCUSSION

(What do they mean and what is their implication?

•The Discussion section is one of the most difficult sections to write in a manuscript. It should do the following:

 provide value to the paper and compares the work of the authors with other scientists.
 deal with the interpretation of results without repeating information which has already been presented under the Results section.

 review how the findings add to the current scientific literature, and discuss the limitations and, if possible, the implications for future research

 avoid presenting general statements which are not emerging from the research study as conclusion.

CONCLUSION

In paragraph form

Highlight new discovery (if any) that you obtained only after completing the study, something (not found in the literature) which contributes to new knowledge.

RECOMMENDATION

Optional based on journal's format

•This section offers statements for future actions or limitations by the study which are identified for future researchers