

Analysis of Utilization of the Silampari PPGR University Library as A Student Learning Resource

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Abstract: The problem in this research is how to use the library at PGRI Silampari University for learning activities and self-development. In its use, the role of the library is not only used by students, but also by lecturers. The purpose of this study was to determine the analysis of the utilization of the PGRI Silampari University Library as a source of student learning. This research method is descriptive qualitative. This method discusses research based on field data or direct observation. To find out the level of usefulness of the PGRI Silampari University Library, the researcher described his research using various reference sources and interviews. The results of this study are the PGRI Silampari University library as a learning resource, that is, all groups, both lecturers and students, can use the library to support the learning system on the UNPARI Campus. Various references can provide valuable benefits both in learning and research. It is very clear that the library has various kinds of references that can support campus activities. The conclusion from this research is that the library as a reference source must be prioritized. Lecturers can invite students to visit the UNPARI library both to support materials and research.

Abstrak: Permasalahan dalam penelitian ini adalah bagaimana pemanfaatan Perpustakaan di Universitas PGRI Silampari untuk kegiatan belajar dan pengembangan diri. Dalam pemanfaatannya, peran Perpustakaan tidak hanya digunakan oleh mahasiswa saja, namun juga Dosen. Tujuan Penelitian ini adalah untuk mengetahui analisis pemanfaatan Perpustakaan Universitas PGRI Silampari sebagai sumber belajar mahasiswa. Metode penelitian ini deskriptif kualitatif. Metode ini membahas penelitian dengan berdasarkan data lapangan atau pengamatan secara langsung. Untuk mengetahui tingkat kebermanfaatan Perpustakaan Universitas PGRI Silampari peneliti mendeskripsikan penelitiannya dengan berbagai sumber referensi dan wawancara. Hasil dari penelitian ini adalah perpustakaan Universitas PGRI Silampari sebagai sumber belajar, yaitu semua kalangan baik Dosen dan mahasiswa dapat memanfaatkan perpustakaan untuk menunjang sistem pembelajaran di Kampus UNPARI. Berbagai referensi dapat memberikan manfaat yang berharga baik dalam pembelajaran maupun penelitian. Hal ini sangat jelas sekali bahwa perpustakaan memiliki berbagai macam referensi yang dapat menunjang aktivitas Kampus. Simpulan dari penelitian ini adalah perpustakaan sebagai sumber referensi harus tetap diprioritaskan. Dosen dapat mengajak mahasiswa untuk mengunjungi perpustakaan UNPARI baik untuk menunjang materi maupun penelitian.



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INTRODUCTION

In the world of education, the level of education students will take is not only limited to high school, but also up to the tertiary level. All Indonesian children have the same rights and obligations in getting a decent life and education. It is very important that education is a nation's asset that must be developed. The Indonesian nation itself has been colonized for decades due to a lack of education as a unifying insight for the nation at that time and all Indonesian people have the right to receive it (Susilo & Sarkowi, 2018). Education itself is considered as a weapon in building a great nation's civilization in the future. The progress and development of a nation cannot be separated from the role of intelligent and educated youth (Sanjaya, 2016).

The Indonesian nation, which has gained independence since August 17, 1945, is clearly a nation that is highly reckoned with today. The Indonesian nation has a very large island area from Sabang to Merauke. As a nation that has a vast territory with various ethnic groups, races, religions and diverse races, this has made the Indonesian nation a bigger nation than any other nation (Susilo & Irwansyah, 2019). In addition, the support of abundant natural resources has made Indonesia an investment destination for world nations so that many investors are interested in developing Indonesia through long-term investment. Of course, this makes the Indonesian nation known to the world. Fame has indeed had a positive impact on Indonesia's progress, especially since it is supported by adequate technology to date (Sutopo, 2012). However, as a sovereign nation, the Indonesian people must also remember that negative impacts could damage the nation's

sovereign system. The current concern is the widespread influence of foreign cultures that are not in accordance with the local wisdom of the Indonesian nation which can damage the nation's next generation (Joebagio, 2017).

Higher Education is an educational institution for the level towards a bachelor's degree for the younger generation. Usually children who have graduated from school have a great desire to continue their education to the undergraduate level at the tertiary institution of choice according to their wishes and abilities. Nowadays, everyone thinks that education must at least reach the undergraduate level. This certainly explains that the Indonesian people are aware that higher education is very important. The role of Higher Education in realizing the expectations of parents who strive for their children to graduate must certainly be appreciated, Higher Education must provide proper and complete education. Lecturers always provide motivation and good service for their students. Therefore, always guiding students to be able to solve problems in lectures is number one that must be given.

In the Campus environment, students can do well-supported learning. In terms of learning in class, lecturers usually bring students to study in class by discussing or presenting material. In addition, students while studying in the campus environment will be well supervised. On campus, lecturers can apply several rules such as not being late or something else (Susilo, Agus & Sofiarini, 2020). All of that for the sake of goodness and comfort in learning. Of course, students already understand the rules desired by the lecturer. These regulations are usually mutually agreed

upon during the initial lecture meeting. so if there are students who object, of course at the beginning of the lecture all these rules have been agreed accordingly. Students in attending lectures must also be full of joy that is reflected on their faces. If you are always gloomy, of course the expected knowledge will not be absorbed properly.

The most important things in learning are learning facilities such as libraries and wi-fi networks. PGRI Silampari University, which is one of the universities in Lubuklinggau City, has a library for study and wi-fi networks in several locations on campus. The existence of campus facilities itself certainly does not dampen students' interest in being active on campus. The existence of facilities will make students smarter. Apart from being connected to the Wi-Fi network, the UNPARI Campus Library also provides a large number of updated textbooks and reference books. The UNPARI library is getting busier every day, especially during the lecture and thesis season. In addition, the comfortable place and good management staff make students even more comfortable studying.

According to one of the Silampari PGRI University Library staff, it has been accredited B (Good). Of course, the management of the library as a source of learning is very appropriate to be a place of learning and finding references for students. According to him, many students visit the library every day. The PGRI Silampari University Library itself operates from 08.00-12.00 WIB and 15.00-19.00 WIB. This means that the operational hours of the Silampari PGRI University Library are open two (2) times a day. As for its activities, the PGRI Silampari University Library is open from Monday to Friday.

The friendliness and comfort in visiting the PGRI Silampari University Library was also felt by a student named Andre Julian. He said that while working on thesis, it was mostly done in the campus library, moreover, there was a wi-fi network that supported the online process to find journal references. In addition, the sources of reading books are also very many and varied. Apart from working on his thesis on campus, Andre also often borrows books to type at home. The activity of visiting the Silampari PGRI University Library is also experienced by many other students, whether it's just reading books, doing coursework or thesis that must be completed as soon as possible. The Silampari PGRI University Library is also frequently visited by students from other campuses who are simply looking for data sources and other activities. Basically, the convenience of visiting has always been a priority for the management of the PGRI Silampari University Library, which until now has been accredited B.

METHODS

In this study, researchers used a qualitative descriptive research study to see the results of their research. The qualitative research method is a method that looks at research studies descriptively by describing the findings in the field (Sugiyono, 2013). This study seeks to reveal some of the findings in the field related to the analysis of the use of the PGRI Silampari University Library as a source of student learning.

The source of the research data obtained was field sources in the form of interviews with several students and managers of the PGRI Silampari University Library (Sutopo, 2012).. Interviews were conducted in order to obtain research results from conversations

between researchers and informants for this research study (Moleong, 2012).

To support this research, the research team used reference sources from other reading sources in order to strengthen this research. The reference sources come from scientific journals accessed through the Google Scholar account and reference book sources obtained at the PGRI Silampari University Library and private collection books that researchers have. From the reference sources that the researcher has then added to the results of the interviews, the research data can be written properly which makes the research data credible in terms of its level of effectiveness.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

PGRI Silampari University Library as a Learning Resource

Education that exists today is a solution in facing an increasingly sophisticated and developing globalization era. Indonesian people as agents of change must be wise in using their benefits from the technology that is present in our environment. Continue to be a useful Indonesian human being by continuing to get proper education to prepare for a bright future (Riofita, 2016). So here it is clear that the role of educational institutions and the educational community within them, such as teachers in schools and lecturers in tertiary institutions, has a big obligation to build a smart and global-minded young generation. In addition, for the younger generation who are educated must also be smart in building the nation. Never be a passive learner. However, currently the Indonesian nation needs an intellectual generation who are intelligent in thinking and acting (Susilo, Agus, 2019).

The library is one of the most important elements in the world of education today. The existence of the library itself has been able to make it the most comfortable place to do assignments, gather and also as a learning medium (Dewa Yani Putri, 2022). The era of technology and communication is actually a digital-based library where visitors can access library collections through applications available on Android smartphones (Riska, 2019). So the existence of the Library can be reached from various remote areas even though not in the same area. The era of globalization has indeed provided convenience and unlimited access in finding references in digital libraries which are very indulgent for visitors today. Lots of reference books that can be used as a reference to improve the quality of reading (Prathivi, 2018).

The digital library itself is not only accessible to the educated, but the general public from various backgrounds can easily access the digital library. Because currently the Indonesian nation is developing a digital library to overcome the level of decline in literacy among the younger generation of the Indonesian nation (Widiyawati, 2020). Apart from that, it is also common to find several mobile libraries that are crowded with people visiting just to read or look for reference sources in completing assignments related to their studies. As an educated Indonesian, reading is something that must be done so that you are not poor in literacy or reading materials (Asnawi, 2015).

This library has actually appeared in several schools, universities, local government agencies and in village halls. For higher education institutions, it is very important to have a library as a support for the teaching and learning

process for lecturers. Learning that takes place can not only be completed in class, but can also be carried out in the Campus Library so that students gain experience and insight about the importance of visiting the Library to study (Yanti-ningsih, 2015). The library on campus itself actually has standards that must be achieved. This is related to the accreditation itself for the place. Of course all of that must get good support in library management.

Libraries may not have empty book sources or be irregular in their bookkeeping. Library management staff must also be prepared in managing the library. In addition, he must be able to maintain the cleanliness and tidiness of the library environment (Mulyati, Sri, 2020). The main impression that must be considered is of course the friendliness and cleanliness offered by the library. If the library is comfortable, of course students will always make the library the most recommended place to study.

PGRI Silampari University Library is a library that is never empty of students looking for references and other assignments. Friendly librarians and a spacious location make students very comfortable. The PGRI Silampari University Library is not yet digital-based which can be accessed from home. But the services provided are standard like universities in general. Students can search for reading sources through cupboards that have been marked with the names of the groups of books they want. So students will never have difficulty in getting the reading books they want. There are many sources of books both in Indonesian and English. In addition to reference books, at the PGRI Silampari University Library there are also collections of theses from various Study Programs. This thesis is a mandatory assignment for students who, before

registering for graduation, must submit a thesis. This collection of these fills the library's spacious and comfortable cupboards for students.

The role of the Silampari PGRI University Library is very real as a source of student learning. Students can study and make good use of the Library's collections. Several book sources in the Silampari PGRI University Library are not only dominated by old books, but also the newest books. This means that PGRI Silampari University is very updated in filling out books as study reference spaces. The PGRI Silampari University Library apart from getting books from additional references which is a University policy, also receives book grants from lecturers and students. In addition to textbooks or reference books, Universitas PGRI Silampari also keeps theses from year to year and other learning resources. It is this abundance of learning resources that makes the PGRI Silampari University Library even more crowded and is always visited by students.

According to the management staff of the Silampari PGRI University Library who was interviewed on June 20, 2022 at 10.00 WIB, he said that: "The PGRI Silampari University Library is always open to students and lecturers who wish to contribute their works. The PGRI Silampari University Library is also a place for lecturers to do their research. There are also sources of reading in the form of books that come from student and lecturer grants. The students donated a lot of their books because after finishing their thesis. So that several collections of books that were used as reference sources were donated to the PGRI Silampari University Library. As for the lecturers themselves, they contributed a lot of their works in the form of scientific journals and textbooks which

they made as a result of their research. It is very natural that many lecturers have received research grants with the output of textbooks and scientific journals”.

Meanwhile, according to Yaswan, a student who was interviewed on June 20, 2022 at 11.00 WIB, he said that: “Studying at the Silampari PGRI University Library is very comfortable. In addition to the large and varied collection of books, the library is also connected to a wi-fi network. Wi-fi networks can be connected by entering the NIM name or student identification number. So that students can easily access the internet network to support learning”.

In fact, almost all campuses in Indonesia are connected to the internet network. Wi-fi access as a step to support students and lecturers in their activities, of course, really needs to be continuously developed. So the Campus is not only visited during lectures, but also when students are working on assignments that assess the Campus as the best place as a comfortable place. Furthermore, lecturers can also teach by bringing students to the library so that their insights increase. In learning does not have to be in the classroom only. Of course students need new enthusiasm by visiting the library (Zakirman & Chichi Rahayu, 2018). Things that must be considered when teaching students in tertiary institutions to get to know the library is very important. It is very clear that currently the role of lecturers in teaching students to be smarter with lots of literacy is very important. Moreover, at this time the awareness to read must be applied even though they have entered adulthood and are studying at tertiary institutions. Libraries located in tertiary institutions are clearly very beneficial for the progress of education at this time (Purnama, 2018).

From the results of the interviews and reference sources above, it can be concluded that currently the role of education in supporting learning is always associated with the existence of a library. A library can be said to be a storehouse of knowledge that can support the younger generation in learning. PGRI Silampari University already has a good library with reading sources that meet standards so that it will not be difficult for students to find other reference sources. In addition, the support of internet networks that are connected from wi-fi provided by the campus has added convenience for students in studying. The level of cleanliness provided by the library is also a positive step. All students and lecturers who visit will have a positive impact and are always happy studying at the library.

CONCLUSION

The library as a learning medium for the educated is very helpful in self-development. In Higher Education the role of the Library is very vital. Lecturers as teaching staff can continue to invite their students to study in the library at least several times in one semester. This is very important so that students in learning do not complain about the reference sources needed. The University's support for the self-development of students and lecturers for the library is enormous.

This is very clear with the updating of reference sources which can be easily found in the library. The Campus Library does not only store books, but also various theses that students usually seek to use as additional references when facing their final assignment. Utilizing the library must be done so that its usefulness can have a major impact on the progress of education in the current era of globalization.

The PGRI Silampari University Library is currently accredited B (Good) with a variety of book facilities, a spacious reading room and a wi-fi network as well as guaranteed cleanliness. At present the Silampari PGRI University Library is not only used by students, but many lecturers also visit to simply read, seek references and develop themselves by completing various Higher Education Tri Darma activities.

This shows that the role of the Silampari PGRI University Library is very vital for lecturers and students so far. The enthusiasm shown by students and lecturers while completing assignments at the library will certainly add to the enthusiasm for managing the library itself. Over time, the Library will develop into a learning house that can be accessed via the internet on an Android Smartphone. So that students and lecturers will be able to see the latest collection of the library before visiting there.

SUGGESTION

Based on the results of this study, several suggestions can be submitted as follows: (a) For Lecturers and Students to continue to make the Silampari University library a reference source in supporting learning and activities of the Tri Darma of Higher Education, (b) For Silampari University library managers to continue to provide the best service for visitors and updates on the development of the latest reference sources.

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