

ABSTRACT

This research was carried out to identify the relationships between the used of Instant Messaging and verbal, affective and social intimacy. For this study, samples were selected on a simple and purposive sampling. A simple and purposive sampling would catch any respondents in accordance with the criteria in the research focus. A total of 261 respondents were very cooperative when answering the questionnaire. The findings revealed that the there is no difference between the amount of Instant Messenger (IM) use and gender. With the Pearson Correlation test to view the relationships between amount of Instant Messaging use and the verbal, the affective and social intimacy found that there is a significant correlation and positive relationships. With the T test to view whether there is a difference between gender and the amount of Instant Messaging use through the verbal, the affective and social intimacy found that there is no significant difference. This shows there is no difference between gender and the verbal, the affective and social intimacy that exist form the use of Instant Messaging.