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ABSTRACT

This research aimed to figuring out the lecturers' challenges in teaching academic

writing in English education study program at Raden Fatah state Islamic

University Palembang. The convenience purposeful sampling was used in this

study. The participants of this research were 2 lecturers who are teaching

academic writing English education study program at Raden Fatah state Islamic

University Palembang. The method of this research was qualitative research. The

data from the observation and interview data was analyzed by using thematic

analysis. Based on the result, they were four major challenges encountered when

the lecturers taught academic writing class. The challenges were regarding to

students writing problem, motivation in writing, the situation in learning, and

learning facilities. Finally, the findings showed that challenges in teaching

academic writing were varieties defended on the lecturers' experienced.

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