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PHUBBING AND LONELINESS AMONG UNIVERSITY STUDENTS**



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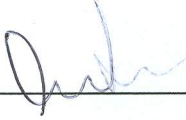
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List of Symbols

α	Cronbach's alpha
SD	Standard Deviation
$\leq$	Less than or Equal to
$\geq$	Greater than or Equal to
B.....	Unstandardized Coefficient
SE.....	Standardized Error
p.....	Significance Level
%	Percentage
f.....	Frequency
β	Beta
n.....	Sample size
N.....	Size of participants

List of Abbreviations

- GPS General Procrastination Scale
- UCLA LON UCLA Loneliness scale
- DTDD.....Dark Triad Dirty Dozen
- GSP General Scale of Phubbing

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Abstract

The objective of the study investigates the Dark Triad personality traits, Procrastination, Phubbing, and Loneliness among university students. A correlational survey design was adopted, and data were collected from (N=300) students at the university level by using convenient sampling, self-made demographics and validated scales in English version named Dark Triad Dirty Dozen (DTDD), General Procrastination Scale (GPS), General Scale of Phubbing (GSP), and UCLA Loneliness Scale. The following hypotheses were generated using the literature review: 1). There is a significant positive correlation between Dark Triad personality trait and Procrastination, Phubbing and Loneliness among university students. 2). Procrastination and Phubbing mediate the relationship between Dark Triad traits and feelings of Loneliness (higher levels of these traits lead to increased procrastination which turn phubbing behavior and that lead to loneliness). The descriptive statistics, Pearson product moment correlation coefficient, and independent t-test was run to generate results that indicate significant positive correlation between Dark triad traits, Procrastination, Phubbing and Loneliness. There were direct and indirect relationship among the variables involved results indicated through the mediation analysis that shows strong positive associations between Dark Triad traits with Loneliness, Procrastination and Phubbing partially mediated these associations, meaning that people having Dark Triad predict Procrastination behavior and was engaged in Phubbing behavior, in turn contributing to feelings of Loneliness but the Procrastination not directly predict loneliness, but indirectly through phubbing contributing to feelings of loneliness.

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