

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

1. Conclusions

The research conducted on “COMMUNICATIVE SKILLS AND ESP MATERIALS FOR NURSES” was intended to discover the nurses’ needs in terms of language skills, especially English. Because they need English to assist them to enter as well as to do their everyday jobs overseas. The ability in English will become an added value for the nurses to enhance their positions and prolong the contract, which in turn will improve their welfare.

The results show that the nurses need to be trained in order to be able to communicate in English. The needs to have an ESP textbook for Nurses challenges the ESP practitioners to plan materials design to fulfill their needs

After analysing the data, conclusions are drawn as the following

1. ESP is normally goal directed.
2. ESP course is based on a needs analysis, which aims to specify as closely as possible what exactly it is that nurses have to do through the medium of English.
3. The students on an ESP course are likely to be adults rather than children.
4. It is found that the nurses’ need in learning English are to be able to speak, to write, to read and to listen. The more they can master the skills the better position they get in field work.
5. Nurses prefer discussion on learning English subject to individual work.

6. Materials design are potentially applied in real life situations to meet the nurses' needs. They need to have a balance between theoretical and practical. They learn English in preservice then they can apply the skill inservice.

2. Suggestions

Despite the negative story as experienced to many workers, the number of those who would like to work overseas continues to increase. It shows that beside the challenge, the salary is high compared to the amount received in the country. To minimise the bad experiences, the Indonesian workers in this case especially nurses should be well trained in the jobs to be employed and also some knowledge about the rules or regulation of the country as well as the rights

In relation to the conclusions, suggestions are staged as the following.

1. It is suggested that the nurses' needs should be considered in designing the materials. By knowing the nurses' needs, the objective of the study can be achieved. In this way nurses do not waste their time to learn something that they do not need in the field work in the future.
2. It is suggested that nurses' lecturers should apply this materials in order to see inefficiency and ineffectiveness of the design and better improvement can be made.
3. Due to the limitation of the research findings, it is suggested that further studies should be conducted by other researcher in order to describe other material design and to get more useful communicative techniques for nurses.

4. It is also suggested that other ESP practitioners and students of Applied Linguistics should conduct further studies on deriving material design which refer to the nurses' needs.

