CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

5.1 Conclusions

The conclusions that can be drawn from the data analysis and findings in this study about modality as hedging devices can be described as the following:

- 1. The modality which can be regarded as hedging device was epistemic modality since it indicated uncertainty and probability.
- 2. Modal auxiliary verbs were most frequently spoken modality by the candidates (politicians) in expressing hedging in this study.
- 3. Politicians tended to use modality as hedging device to mitigate their claims, to show their uncertainty, and to show their lack of full commitment.

5.2 Suggestions

In line with the conclusions of the study, the researcher would like to offer the suggestions as follows:

- 1. It is suggested that the next researcher to conduct further research of the modality as hedging devices in other spoken languages, such as speech, interview etc.
- 2. It is suggested that other researchers who are interested in modality as hedging devices conduct the study in other contexts such as education conversational context or religious context.

3. It is suggested that other researchers who are interested in hedging conduct the study about another hedging device except modality and also in another approach such as corpus-based approach.

