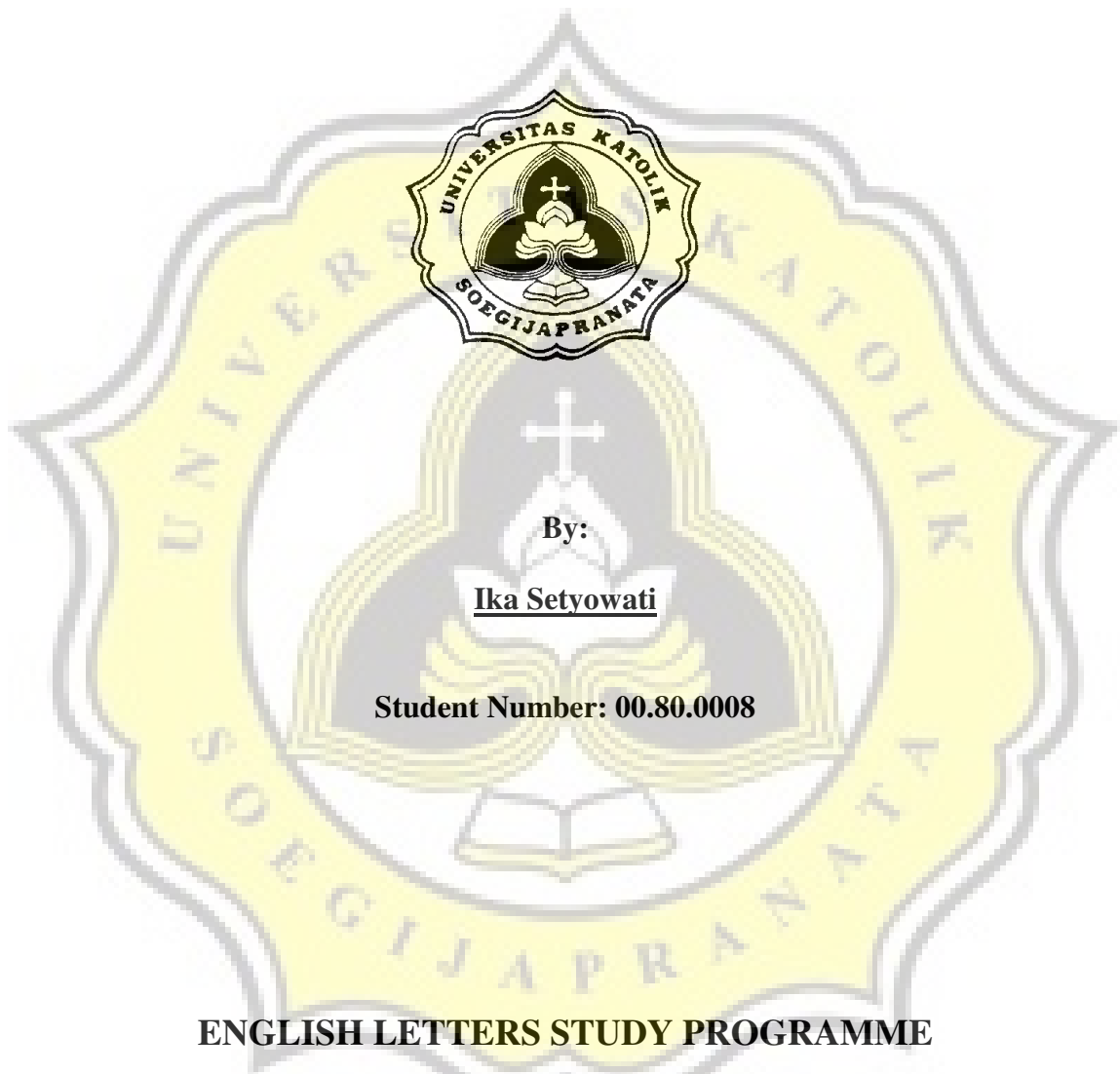


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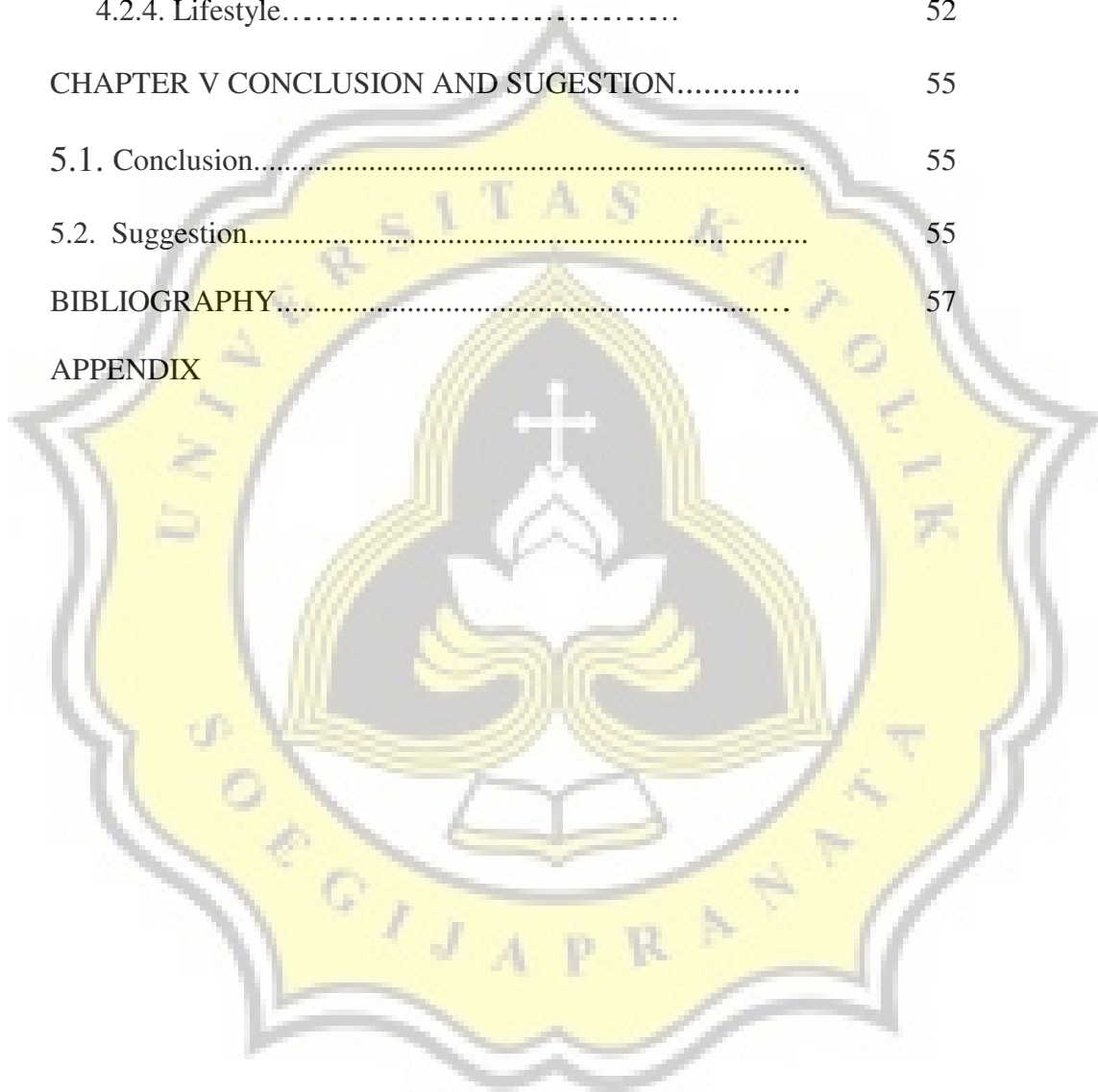
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ABSTRACT

Topic is important to make a conversation run well because in the conversation people send the message and get the message in accordance with the topic that they discuss. According to Arliss (1991: 50), Harding (1975: 106), Haas & Sherman (1982: 49), Wardhaugh (1998: 316), Yelkenac (2001), Hultgren (2003), Scollon (2000), in a conversation male and female speakers have stereotyped topics to discuss. It happens because they have differences in seeing the world. In this study, the writer intends to know the male or female domination in the cross-sex conversation. This research tries to prove whether there are any relationships between topics of conversation stereotypically related to males/females and male/female domination. This study is a qualitative research. The writer recorded the conversation of the students of Faculty of Letters in Soegijapranata Catholic University who were in the OAC of Faculty of Letters Soegijapranata Catholic University. After that the recordings were transcribed to get the data. The result of the analysis shows that female speakers tend to dominate all the male's topics. It happens because it is influenced by some factors. The factors that influence the female speakers are female speakers tend to be more talkative than male speakers, female speaker tend to keep the interaction among other speakers, and the female speakers are influenced by the environment they live and interact. However, no male speakers can dominate the female's topics. The factors that influenced them are such as male speakers are not interested in female's topics and the male speakers tend to see the female's topics as nothing but just gossip.

ABSTRAK

Topik merupakan salah satu hal penting untuk menjamin berjalan lancarnya suatu percakapan. Karena dalam percakapan seseorang dapat menyampaikan atau memperoleh pesan sesuai dengan topik yang mereka bahas. Menurut Arliss (1991: 50), Harding (1975: 106), Haas & Sherman (1982: 49), Wardhaugh (1998: 316), Yelkenac (2001), Hultgren (2003), Scollon (2000), dalam suatu percakapan, pria dan wanita mempunyai topik yang berbeda untuk mereka bahas. Hal ini terjadi karena mereka mempunyai pandangan yang berbeda dalam melihat dunia. Dalam studi ini, penulis bermaksud untuk mencari tahu dominasi pria atau wanita dalam percakapan campuran. Riset ini mencoba untuk membuktikan apakah ada hubungan antara topik yang stereotip dengan dominasi pria atau wanita dalam percakapan. Penelitian ini menggunakan metode kualitatif. Penulis merekam percakapan Para Mahasiswa Fakultas Sastra UNIKA soegijapranata yang sedang berada di OAC Fakultas Sastra UNIKA Soegijapranata. Setelah itu percakapan tersebut akan ditranskripkan untuk mendapatkan data yang dibutuhkan. Hasil dari analisa menunjukkan bahwa wanita lebih menguasai topik pria sedangkan pria tidak dapat menguasai topik wanita. Ini terjadi karena dipengaruhi oleh beberapa faktor. Faktor-faktor yang mempengaruhi wanita adalah karena wanita cenderung lebih banyak bicara daripada pria, wanita cenderung lebih menjaga interaksi dengan pembicara-pembicara yang lain, dan wanita dipengaruhi oleh lingkungan dimana mereka tinggal dan berinteraksi. Sedangkan tidak ada seorang pria pun yang dapat menguasai topik wanita. Faktor-faktor yang mempengaruhinya seperti pria tidak terlalu tertarik dengan topik wanita dan pria cenderung memandang topik wanita tidaklah penting tetapi hanya gosip.