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## THE USE OF CITATIONS IN THE UNDERGRADUATE THESIS LITERATURE REVIEWS

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## ABSTRACT

This descriptive qualitative study aimed to investigate the use of citations in the theses written by the English majors in the year 2012 to 2014. Specifically, this study investigated the overall use of the citations, the use of direct quotations, and the use of paraphrases. Samples and data were taken from the literature review sections of the theses. The analysis was based on the qualitative analysis of typology and enumeration. Results show that, overall, the citations were incorrectly used; the direct quotations were mostly incorrect; the paraphrases were mostly incorrect. It was recommended that the students improve their use of citations with the guidance of the teachers and advisors.

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