

**ABSTRACT**

**Name of Institution:** De La Salle University - Dasmaringas

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**TITLE:** Concept of Friendship Among Cavitenos

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**OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY:**

**A. GENERAL:**

To analyze the concept of friendship among Cavitenos students of De La Salle University - Dasmaringas.

**B. SPECIFIC:**

To identify the most common concept and indicator of friendship among Cavitenos students of De La Salle University - Dasmaringas.

**SCOPE AND COVERAGE:**

The study focused mainly on Cavitenos and their concept of friendship. It also included their indicators of friendship.

**METHODOLOGY:**

A descriptive method was used in this study. The respondents were selected Arts and Sciences students of De La Salle University - Dasmarias who had been residing in Cavite for at least 5 years. The researchers made use of a constructed questionnaire, where in qualified students were asked to define friendship and its indicators. The data were presented by tallying the frequency and rank from highest to lowest.

**MAJOR FINDINGS:**

From the data collected, the researchers came up with the following findings:

1. That the highest concept was in the category of valuing friendship which is something that must be treasured because this is one of the most precious gift;
2. Both male and female concepts were one in valuing friendship as it got the highest category.
3. The highest indicator of friendship among Cavitenos was the category of sense of worth, followed by companionship, acceptance and compatibility.

**CONCLUSIONS:**

Based on the above findings, the following conclusions were drawn:

1. Cavitenos consider friendship as a basic need and fundamental in a human relationship.

2. Male concept of friendship places greater emphasis on *pakikisama* and sharing common interest while female concept was more personal. It is evident that female are more affectionate and open-minded about friendship because it includes sharing intimate secrets, caring and having more opinions and views.

3. Both genders agreed, that the indicators of friendship are companionship, openness/acceptance, compatibility and sense of worth.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

After a careful review of the findings and analysis of data, the researchers came up with the following recommendations:

To improve interpersonal relationship and socialization among students,

- a. the administrators, through the different service department, should create programs and activities for students to cultivate their friendship factor;
- b. teachers should establish rapport with students inside and outside the classroom to maintain a healthy learning environment.