


The benefit of practical field experience (PPL) in improving the experience of teaching practice at school

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Article Info	ABSTRACT
Keywords: Benefit, experience, teaching practice, PPL	The purpose of this article is the implementation of a field experience program (PPL) to provide practical teaching experience to prospective teachers in schools. This PPL activity begins with carrying out observations in accordance with the regulations set by the campus. After observation, students started heading to the school where the PPL was being held. The school where PPL is located is YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar Private High School. This PPL activity will be carried out from early October 2023 to the end of January 2024. This PPL activity aims not only to provide students with experience in teaching at school, but they are also given the task of carrying out school administration which is part of the work of a teacher at school. The result of this PPL activity is that the implementation of the PPL activity went well. Students can receive knowledge and experience from school that is not obtained at lectures, while schools gain new knowledge and knowledge with students as parties who are seen as continually updating information and knowledge. Suggestions that can be given to schools are that creativity and innovation carried out by teachers in learning are very necessary to create effective and enjoyable teaching and learning conditions.
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INTRODUCTION

The Faculty of Teacher Training and Education, HKBP Nommensen Pematangsiantar University (FKIP UHKBPNP) is an Educational Personnel Education Institution (LPTK) which aims to produce professional teachers, who master the four teacher competencies, namely pedagogical, professional, social and personality competencies. To realize this goal , FKIP UHKBPNP implements curricular programs to support the achievement of teacher competency for its graduates. One of the supporting course components is the Field Experience Program (PPL), which is an applicable course and is presented to strengthen the foundation of work behavior so that it is hoped that it can provide professional skills.

The Field Experience Program (PPL) is carried out in order to broaden horizons, train and develop the competencies needed in the fields of learning and school administration/management, increase independence, responsibility and ability to solve problems. Thus, the task of students in this course is to carry out teaching practice, services for learning difficulties in the field of study, and school practice.

The Field Experience Program (PPL) is the main program of all educational programs that have been lived and experienced by FKIP Students at HKBP Nommensen Pematangsiantar University. The Field Experience Program (PPL) is a training program carried out in schools in the form of performance in all matters relating to duties as a teacher, both teaching and non-teaching, which is scheduled systematically under the guidance of Supervisors and Teachers. This observation activity is an exercise for Field Experience Program (PPL) students to familiarize themselves with discipline as prospective educators and develop skills in etiquette in dealing with superiors, fellow teachers, administrative staff and students for the success of the teaching process. Implementation of Field Experience Program (PPL) observations was carried out with direction and instructions during debriefing for students who would carry out the Field Experience Program (PPL) on Wednesday, October 4 2023 in the HKBP Nommensen Pematangsiantar University Hall, PPL students were officially accepted into Private High Schools YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar on Monday, 10 October 2023. The start of the implementation of the Field Experience Program (PPL) carried out by students at YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar Private High School was to hold a meeting with the Principal and Deputy Principal of YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar Private High School to providing direction and guidance to PPL students at YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar Private High School

METHOD

This PPL activity will be carried out from the beginning of October 2023 and will be completed at the end of January 2024. The data source for this activity is 7th semester students who have completed the micro teaching course which is the main requirement for carrying out PPL activities. The location where this PPL is implemented is YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar Private High School. Students participating in PPL FKIP UHKBNP are required to carry out PPL cumulatively for one semester using a block system. Apart from practicing teaching, students participating in PPL are required to seek information about various aspects of schooling, both educational and administrative aspects, under the guidance and coordination of the school principal. The schooling aspects in question include content standards, graduation standards, process standards, standards for educators and education staff, management standards, financing standards, facility and infrastructure standards and assessment standards.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

After the PPL activity process lasted for approximately 3-4 months at YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar Private High School, researchers found that the activity went well and

was planned. However, apart from going well, the researchers found several important points for further discussion.

Outline of Teaching Practice Activities

- a. Preparing lesson plans for each meeting.
- b. Preparing learning materials for each meeting.
- c. Practising teaching at each meeting.
- d. Checking students and preparing lesson plans for the next meeting.



Figure 1. Students are doing the teaching learning process in the classroom



Figure 2. Practices for P5 preparation by the students

Problems and Alternative Problem Solving in Schools

The problems and alternative solutions to problems in schools are by providing sanctions to students if:

- a. Being late to school during class time, you will be punished by collecting rubbish around the school.

- b. Not participating in the flag ceremony will be given a sanction: collecting rubbish around the school.
- c. Not wearing a hat, tie or other required attributes by providing direction and guidance so that this does not happen again.
- d. If a student is absent consecutively for 1 week (missed) then a summons will be given to the parents.
- e. If the call is not responded to then a second call is given, and if this call is also ignored then the student is considered to have withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

The implementation of PPL at YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar Private High School was carried out well. From the explanation in the previous section, conclusions can be drawn from the implementation of PPL at YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar Private High School, namely: Field Experience Practice (PPL) is a strategic step to complete the competencies of prospective elementary school student educators. Through PPL activities, students can apply the academic knowledge gained on campus to be implemented at school. Implementation of PPL as a forum for students to gain knowledge. Through PPL, students can give and receive with the school. Students can receive knowledge and experience from school that is not obtained at lectures, while schools gain new knowledge and knowledge with students as parties who are seen as continually updating information and knowledge. The success of learning activities is influenced by many interconnected factors. Therefore, students must be able to optimize the involvement of these factors to achieve the desired learning goals. These factors are mastery of the material, class management, environment, student behavior, media and learning methods used. Creativity and innovation carried out by teachers in learning are very necessary to create effective and enjoyable teaching and learning conditions. The implementation of PPL activities at YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar Private High School was due to good cooperation between fellow students participating in PPL, teachers and employees, principals, students and all school members at YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar Private High School. Suggestions for Implementing Practical Experience (PPL) at YP HKBP 1 Pematangsiantar Private High School were implemented well

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