

Internet addiction and its relationship to some variables among students of Damascus University-Darra Branch^{*}

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Abstract

This research aimed to identify internet addiction among students of Damascus university-Darra Branch according to the variables of sex, specialization, achievement, economic status, sitting hours surfing the internet and the favorite websites. This study was done by a descriptive analytic method. The sample was taken randomly of (674 students from all collages and institutes). Internet Addiction Scale (IAS) was built in this study according to the steps which are used in a scale structure. The results showed the followings: The distribution is normal; there is no relationship between internet addiction and achievement. There is a significant positive relationship between internet addiction and economic statuses. Sex factor hasn't any effects on internet addiction. There is no difference in internet addiction according to academic specialization except for some differences between students of literature and students of education, law, science and economy, where students of literature are more addictive. the average of sitting hours surfing the internet is (2.78) degrees out of four degrees, and the social websites had the highest rate of readers.

Keywords: Internet addiction, Students of Damascus university-Darra Branch, Internet Addiction Scale (IAS).

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