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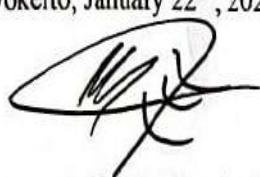
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## **ABSTRACT**

This research discusses EFL students' perceptions of plagiarism. Plagiarism is important to be learned by EFL students to avoid sanctions in the field of academic writing, and students can be more confident in their writing. This study aims to find out the perceptions of EFL students on plagiarism. The method used in this research was qualitative research based on the phenomenology approach. The data collection technique employed semi-structured interviews. Four students from English Language Education Study Programs in one of the private universities in Indonesia participated in this study. This study found that the students can provide their perceptions regarding plagiarism. It is shown that the four students have an understanding of plagiarism and their experience of committing plagiarism when working on the thesis. The students understand the definition of plagiarism, the data reveals that copy-paste is the type of plagiarism that students do more often. The four students agreed that understanding plagiarism is very important for academic purposes and it is regulated by state law. Paraphrasing, including source, and plagiarism detectors are the three most familiar ways for students to prevent plagiarism and efforts to reduce the number of plagiarism.

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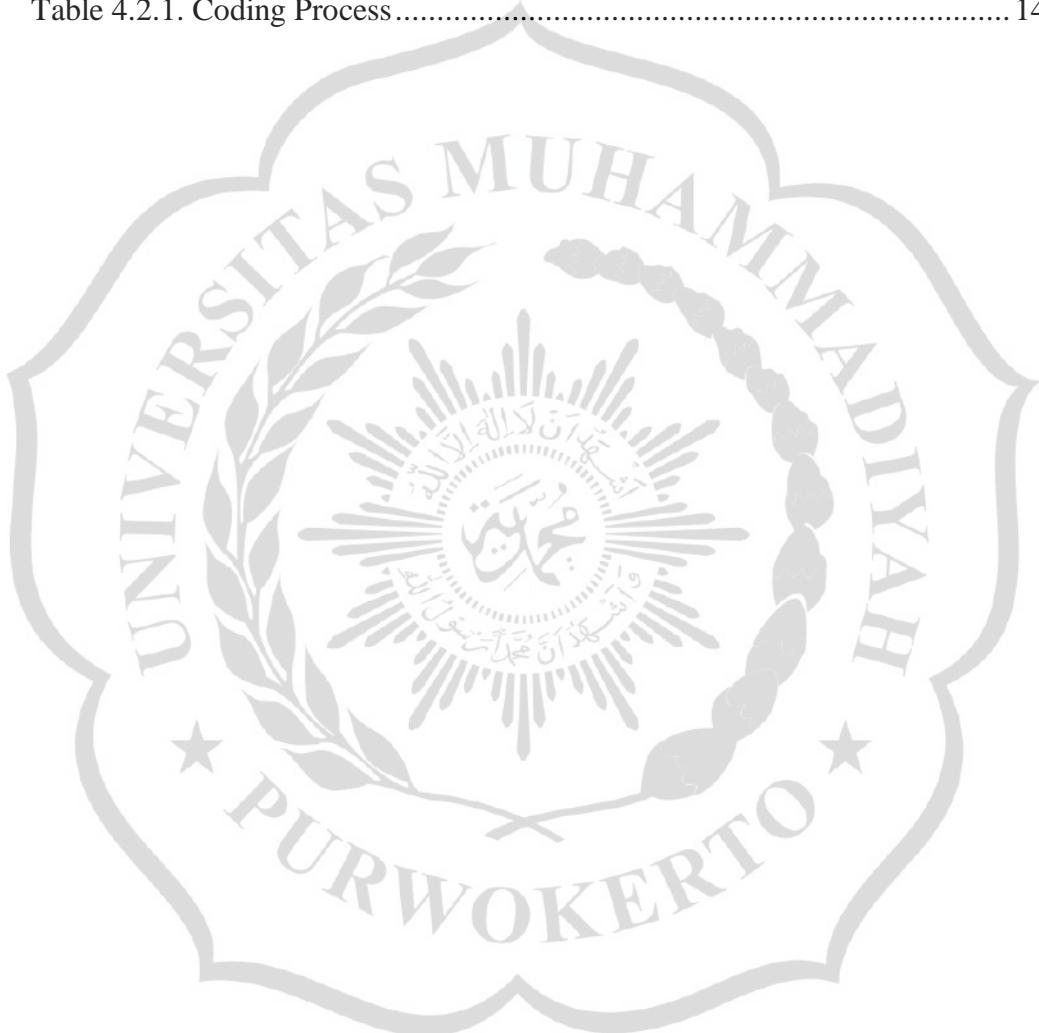
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