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### Shaping the journalism education studies in Malaysia: The effects from the study on ethnicity (Article)

[Membentuk pengajian kewartawanan di Malaysia: Kesan dari kajian etnik]

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#### Abstract

**Journalism education** is a unique field of **study** under a liberty of social science because it works in context. **The** surrounding society gives a lot of impact on how **journalism** has been practiced and educated. However, there are not many **studies** on **journalism education** that focuses on **the** elements of its society (i.e. gender, ethnic, religion, class, etc.), what more **studies** from **the** students' perspectives. Therefore, this **study** attempts to fill the gap by having students of **journalism** as its samples. This article presents an extract from a huge **study** on **journalism education** in **Malaysia**. It **studies** the **journalism** students' perceptions and expectations of **journalism education** in **Malaysia** and identifies whether different ethnicities in **Malaysia** make any differences in their perceptions and expectations. Using quantitative methodology, 167 sets of survey questionnaires were collected from Malaysian **journalism** students who are studying at public universities in **Malaysia**. **The** result shows significant differences in terms of good **journalism** practice, news gathering skills and news production skills between three main ethnicities of Malaysian **journalism** students. © 2015, Jurnal Komunikasi Malaysian Journal of Communication. All Rights Reserved.

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