

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the research

At the end of 2019 and early 2020, the world was shocked by the presence of an international epidemic caused by a virus, namely the corona virus or Covid-19. The spread of this virus has had a tremendous impact on various areas of life, such as the economy, society, religion, health and education. So the Indonesian government implemented large-scale social restrictions. This limitation is also known as the Covid-19 pandemic. Especially in the field of education, it has taken policies related to the implementation of the teaching and learning process at all levels of education.

This policy was written in circular letter No.4 of 2020, by the minister of education and culture, Nadiem Anwar Makarim, regarding the implementation of education in the emergency period of Covid-19 (Mendikbud, 2020). In order to prevent the spread of Covid-19, the Minister of Education and Culture issued Circular Number 3 of 2020 regarding the bar of Covid-19 in the education unit, as well as Circular Number 36962 / MPK.A / HK / 2020 regarding online learning and working from home. With a circular from the government, learning is carried out from home. The transfer of lectures for students from offline to online. As a result of this, online learning requires a variety of facilities and means that can be accessed by universities and their students. An online lecture itself is an online learning method that is carried out using an internet network site. There are

several network systems used for teaching and learning, namely, Goggle Classroom, Quipper, Zoom, Goggle Meeting and Neo LMS.

The Covid-19 pandemic has led many universities to conduct online learning by using several internet networking sites. including one of the universities in the city of Poso, namely Sintuwu Maroso University, which is abbreviated as Unsimar. In the teaching and learning process in Unsimar, a network site is used to help break the chain of the spread of Covid-19. One of the sites that is often used in online learning is the Neo LMS site. This site is usually used by lecturers or students. This site is also used as a medium for sending assignments. Although this site makes it easy for students to see their names, there are also some students who don't like using the site. English students use this Neo platform to interact with lecturers. Lecturers provide materials and assignments using the Neo LMS and students create and send them using the Neo LMS.

Based on the previous research results from Poai T Sherliane & Rawung Y Ingriyani in 2020, the Neo LMS is the only LMS used by students. Neo LMS is a platform that is generally used in the online learning process at the Faculty of Teacher Training and English Education. In 2021, Neo LMS has officially become a program used by students and lecturers in the teaching process in the English Language Education Study Program. As a result, the researcher is interested in learning about students' perceptions of using the Neo LMS, particularly students in the field of English Language Education Study Program.

B. Problem of the Research

Based on the research background, the Researcher formulates the problem
What are the students' perception of Neo LMS at English Language Education
Program Study Sintuwu Maroso University?

C. Objective of the Research

This is to describe students' perception of the Neo LMS at English
Language Program Study Sintuwu Maroso University.

D. Significances of the Research

The significances of the Research is below:

1. To Lecturer

In order to find out students' perceptions about the use of Neo LMS at
English Language Education Program Study Sintuwu Maroso University.
So that they can be overcome if there are students who do not understand
about Neo LMS.

2. To next Researcher

To increase knowledge and information and make it a very valuable
experience researcher.

E. Scope of the Research

The researcher focuses the scope of the research on students' perception of Neo LMS at the English Language Education Study Program Sintuwu Maroso University. The researcher was use the theory Abdul Hamid (2010) about Learning Management System.



