## **ABSTRACT**

Sukmawati, P. (2023). The Correlation Between Self-Efficacy and Speaking Ability of the Eighth Grade Students of SMP Negeri 4 Denpasar in Academic Year 2022/2023. The First Advisor: Ni Made Wersi Murtini, S.Pd., M.Pd. and The Second Advisor: Dewa Gede Agung Gana, S.Pd., M.Pd.

Speaking is important for language learning to make a good oral interaction and establish good communication. In fact, the students were still nervous to interact with their friends and their teachers by using English. The objective of the present study was to find out whether the significant correlation between self-efficacy and speaking ability of the eighth grade students of SMP Negeri 4 Denpasar in academic year 2022/2023 through correlational research. The samples of the research consisted of 40 students which were chosen by cluster random sampling method with lottery system. The data were collected through administering the research instruments obtained data were statistically analyzed by using pearson product moment correlation and t-test. The results of the data analysis clearly revealed the alternative hypothesis was accepted. In other words, the research findings confirmed that there are significant correlation between self-efficacy and speaking ability of the eighth grade students of SMP Negeri 4 Denpasar in academic year 2022/2023.

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