

AWARENESS AND UTILISATION OF E – JOURNALS BY FACULTY: EVIDENCE FROM KOFORIDUA POLYTECHNIC, GHANA

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ABSTRACT

Advances in information communication and technology have revolutionised the way in which information for academic research is accessed and disseminated. This study presents the results of a survey on the awareness and utilisation of electronic journal among faculty at the Koforidua Polytechnic. The study employed a descriptive survey with the use of questionnaires as the main instruments to elicit information from respondents. The major finding of the study revealed that there is a strong correlation between awareness and utilisation but it was not statistically significant ($p > 0.05$). The study recommends that there should be an increase in awareness of electronic journals among faculty through regular workshops, use of newsletters, flyers and brochures. The study further recommends that the polytechnic should fashion the possibility to introduce remote access to electronic journals it has subscribed to.

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