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ABSTRACT

This study aims to find out empirical evidence showing that it is possible to effectively develop professional skepticism in students through a university accounting program. This study compared the mean change of professional skepticism level measured with Hurt Professional Skepticism Scale (HPSS) over students enrolled in ABC University representing as ACCA accredited accounting program, XYZ University representing as Non ACCA-accredited accounting program, and management program from XYZ University as control group. The data analysis used the descriptive statistics test, one-way anova test and hypothesis test. The calculation using SPSS v.16.

The result showed that; 1) the level of professional skepticism of students enrolled in the ACCA-accredited accounting program is positive and significantly higher compared to Non-ACCA accredited accounting program, 2) the level of professional skepticism of students enrolled in the non ACCA-accredited accounting program is positive and significantly higher compared to management program as control group, 3) the level of professional skepticism of students enrolled in the ACCA-accredited accounting program are the highest among other students.

Keywords: professional skepticism; HPSS; auditing; audit education; university education; accounting education.
ABSTRAK

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menemukan bukti yang menunjukkan bahwa adanya kemungkin untuk secara efektif mengembangkan skeptisme profesional pada siswa melalui program akuntansi di universitas. Penelitian ini membandingkan perubahan rata-rata tingkat skeptisme profesional yang diukur dengan *Hurt Professional Skepticism Scale* (HPSS) terhadap siswa yang terdaftar di ABC University yang mewakili program akuntansi terakreditasi ACCA, XYZ University mewakili sebagai program akuntansi tidak terakreditasi-ACCA, dan program manajemen dari XYZ University sebagai kontrol grup. Analisis data menggunakan uji statistik deskriptif, uji anova satu arah dan uji hipotesis. Perhitungan menggunakan SPSS v.16.

Hasil dalam penelitian ini menunjukkan bahwa: 1) tingkat skeptisme profesional siswa yang terdaftar dalam program akuntansi terakreditasi ACCA adalah positif dan secara signifikan lebih tinggi dibandingkan dengan program akuntansi tidak terakreditasi ACCA, 2) tingkat skeptisme profesional siswa yang terdaftar dalam program akuntansi tidak terakreditasi ACCA adalah positif dan secara signifikan lebih tinggi dibandingkan dengan program manajemen sebagai kontrol grup, 3) tingkat skeptisme profesional siswa yang terdaftar dalam program akuntansi terakreditasi ACCA adalah yang tertinggi di antara siswa lainnya.

Kata kunci: skeptisme profesional; HPSS; audit; pendidikan audit; pendidikan universitas; pendidikan akuntansi.
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