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Benefits of Learning Foreign Languages in University of Kelaniya

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This paper is based on the benefits of learning foreign languages in University of Kelaniya. This describes that learning a foreign language offers numerous benefits. The students of University of Kelaniya who are currently following a course in foreign languages will be the participants of this research. This will explain why the undergraduates should choose to learn a foreign language and the benefit of learning foreign languages. This study shows that there are better job opportunities and can have scholarships through learning foreign languages. There are various language certificate courses within the university but unfortunately the undergraduates rarely participate in them. The researchers are aware that these language learners often find it difficult when it comes to learning a foreign language, but, the attempt of the researchers is to make awareness among the students of University of Kelaniya. This case study adopts a qualitative approach as it seeks information through interviews, discussions and observations. In conclusion, the intention of the researchers is to nurture the fields of foreign languages which should be a vast area to improve language skills among the students of University of Kelaniya.

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