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Dear **Dr. Tulin**,

Greetings!

We would like to request for the approval of the Thesis Outline of Mr. Kevin T. Lagat, an MS Development Sociology-II student. All his requirements were complied with, except for the Turnitin check.

The final outline of Mr. Lagat has a 61% similarity rating as per Turnitin report. We checked to which document it had similarity with and found that it was from a document in VSU. According to Dr. Rachel Kim Aure, this is a self-matching case as the document that the Thesis Outline had 61% similarity with is the 3rd draft of Mr. Lagat that we also subjected to Turnitin check earlier. Hence, two different documents (and file names) owned by the same author—Mr. Lagat.

We have already requested the assistance of ODIE, through Dr. Aure, in the removal of the 3rd draft of the Thesis Outline of Mr. Lagat from the Turnitin database but it has taken a while since it has to be done by the Turnitin provider.

The student has been delayed for more than a week already in his data collection schedule because of this requirement.

Enclosed are the email exchange with Dr. Aure and some pages of the Turnitin results of both the Final Thesis Outline and the 3rd Draft of the Thesis Outline of Mr. Lagat for you to compare.

We hope for consideration of Mr. Lagat's Thesis Outline so he can proceed with the data collection.

Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

LILIAN B. NUÑEZ
Director, ISRDS and
GAC Chair of Mr. K. T. Lagat