Work Readiness: a Review of the Influence of Industrial Practice and Vehicle Tune-Up Competency

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Abstract. This study aims to examine the effect of industrial practice work programs and vehicle tune-up competencies on job readiness. A quantitative research using an ex-post facto approach was selected to test hypotheses based on existing facts. 169 respondents were selected as part of the cluster randomization technique. The data were collected through tests and observations and analyzed using the SPSS software. The results showed that (1) there was a positive effect on practical work programs on job readiness with a contribution of 14.7%; (2) positive influence of tune-up engine competency on job readiness with a contribution of 72.1%; and (3) both have the effect of 23.3% simultaneously. The important factors in preparing for employment are the supply of vocational training students prior to the implementation of industrial practice programs and increased opportunities to put development drivers into practice.

Keywords: Industrial work practices, tune-up competence, job readiness

1 Introduction

Vocational education has an important role in developing human resources in each country [1], [2], it has even become a global trend. Several countries have succeeded in providing vocational education. One indicator of the success of vocational education is the decline in unemployment [3], and the absorption of graduates in work, continuing and entrepreneurship according to their field of expertise [4]. However, according to BPS data, vocational education contributed to a high unemployment rate of 8.49% in February 2020. The highest contributor was adolescents aged 15-24 years at 16.28%. This figure shows that vocational student readiness is being questioned again. How vocational students form the competencies needed in the industrial world.

Work readiness is a priority factor for vocational students [5]-[7]. Do so far vocational students in implementing school learning have an impact on job acceptance in the industry. Work readiness in the vocational field, especially in the automotive sector, is influenced by the implementation of industrial practice programs and competence in the field of expertise, namely vehicle tuning. One of the link and match policies in Indonesia is through industrial practice

programs [8], [9]. The industrial practice program is an apprenticeship program equivalent to a dual system education in which vocational students develop their experience in the industry directly. Through this program, vocational students have many benefits, including (1) students can learn directly to face consumers; (2) carrying out an industrial work culture; and (3) accepted to work after graduation, if they have industry standard qualifications [10]. Thus, the industrial practice program becomes a catalyst for vocational students in applying and directly learning the characteristics of the world of work. The problems that arise are the students' unpreparedness in mastering the basic competencies and opportunities given in the limited industrial world, as well as incomplete trust from the industry [11]-[13].

Work readiness is also influenced by student competence during academic studies at vocational schools. In this study, the correlation is determined from one of the competencies commonly needed in the automotive industry, namely Tune up engine [14], [15]. Vocational students who have certain abilities can take competency tests to obtain national standard legality and become portfolio documents that are considered specifically in the industrial world (trust value) [16][17]. However, the problem that often occurs is that vocational students are not directly involved in implementing practices or limited practical opportunities, resulting in the lack of insight they have [18] [19].

The results of observations that have been carried out at a vocational school, Purworejo-Indonesia, found the tune-up engine competency based on the value of learning completeness, more than 60% of vocational students were declared incompetent. Other problems also occur, due to the choice of a simple industrial workplace. The results of interviews that have been conducted by several vocational students chose industrial workplaces in simple places with consideration of the proximity to their homes. The researcher's analysis is based on the secondary data, that the readiness of students needs to be tested for its effect. The hypothesis in this study is (H1) how the influence of industrial work practice programs on automotive student work readiness in vocational schools. (H2) how the influence of vehicle tune-up competence on automotive student work readiness in vocational schools. (H3) how the influence of industrial work practice programs and vehicle tune-up competencies together on automotive student work readiness in vocational schools. This influence test recommends a high-impact relationship value and is used as a reference for comparison for other vocational schools.

2 Method

This research is a quantitative study with an ex post facto approach, adapted from Neil [20]. This study believed that experimental research was conducted to test the hypothesis in treatment [21], [22]. In theory, work readiness correlates with programs, industry work practices, and vehicle tuning competencies. The number of respondents in the study was 169 people selected in the cluster random sampling consisting of 10 classes. The data were collected using a test sheet and an observation sheet in the form of a questionnaire. The data analysis was performed using the analysis, prerequisite test, namely the normality test, current test, multicollinearity test, and hypothesis testing using SPSS software.

3 Result and discussion

3.1 Normality test

The normality test uses the Kolmogorov Smirnov Z test to calculate the residual value with the acquisition of 0.924 with a probability value of 0.360. The probability value (p = 0.360 > 0.05), then the data is normal and tests for linearity.

3.2 Linearity test

Linearity testing aims to determine the pattern of relationships between variables. If the probability value is greater than 0.05 then the variable is formed linearly. The value obtained by the variable industrial work practice program on job readiness is obtained by df 14, F of 1.075 and p = 0.384, greater than 0.05. and the value obtained by the vehicle tune-up competency variable on work readiness is obtained df 7, F is 9,940 and p = 0.875 is greater than 0.05, so both variables are linear.

3.3 Multicollinearity test

The multicollinearity test is a multiple regression assumption test by comparing the VIF value. The industrial work practice program variable obtained a tolerance value of 0.934 with a VIF value of 1.070 <10, so there was no multicollinearity. Whereas in the vehicle tune-up competency variable, it was obtained a tolerance value of 0.934 with a VIF value of 1.070 <10, so there was no multicollinearity.

3.4 Hypothesis test

Figure 1 shows the correlation between IWP program and tune up engine competence on work readiness.



Fig. 1. Correlation between IWP program and tune up engine competence on work readiness

3.5 Discussion

Based on the results of research on the effect of industrial work practices and vehicle tuneup competence on work readiness using multiple regression analysis, the equation Y = 40.813 + 0.281X1 + 0.286X2 is obtained with a constant value for the regression model equation is 40.813, this shows that without work practices industry and state tune-up competence, then student work-readiness can still improve. The test results of the effect of industrial work practices on job readiness obtained t_{count} 4.184> t_{table} (1.645) with a p-value of 0.00 <0.005 so that the hypothesis is accepted, meaning that there is an effect of industrial work practices on job readiness. Thus, the higher the value of industrial work practices, the student's work readiness will increase [23][24].

The test results of the effect of tune-up vehicle competence on student work readiness were obtained 0.420 and tcount 5.977 > t table (1.645) with a p-value of 0.00 <0.005 so that the hypothesis is accepted, meaning that there is an effect of vehicle tune-up competence on student work readiness. Thus, the higher the tune-up competency value of the vehicle, the student's work readiness will increase [25]. There is a positive and significant influence jointly between industrial work practices and vehicle tune-up competence on student work readiness obtained by Fcount 23.309> Ftable (2.99) with a p-value of 0.00 <0.005, so the hypothesis is accepted.

4 Conclusion

Based on the results of the discussion above, it can be taken, namely (1) there is a positive influence of industrial work practices on vocational student work readiness with the contribution of the influence of industrial work practices on job readiness is 0.147 or 14.7%, (2) there is an influence of vehicle tune-up competence on vocational student work readiness with the contribution of the influence of vehicle tune-up competence to work readiness is 0.721 or 72.17%, (3) there is a positive influence on industrial work practices and vehicle tune-up competence on vocational student work readiness with a contribution of 0.219 or 21.9%. The size of the relative contribution was 100%, while the effective contribution was 23.304%. Recommendations from the study results, namely (1) vocational schools are deemed necessary to provide competencies relevant to the industrial world, and (2) emphasize the opportunity to practice tune-up engines.

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