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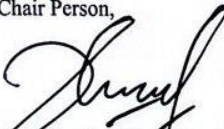
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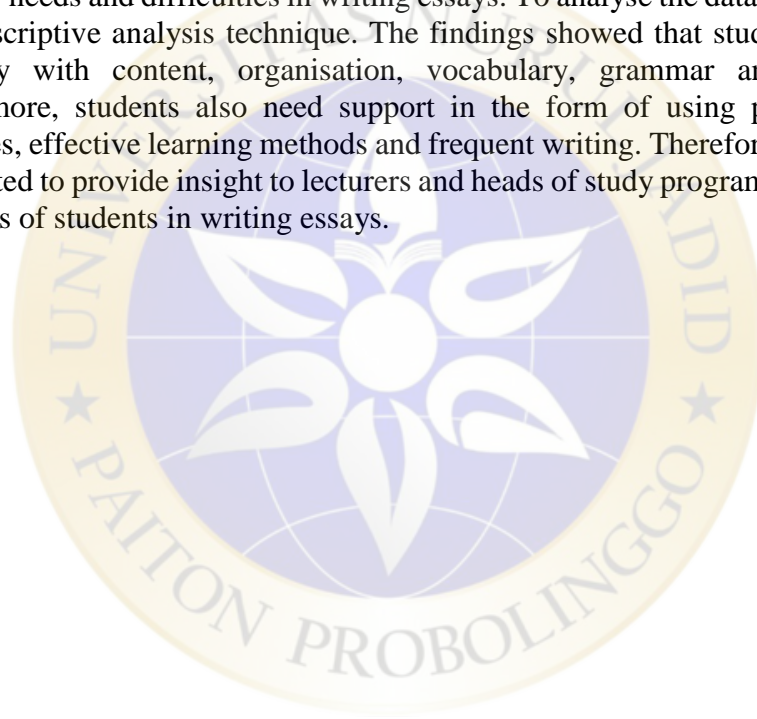


## ABSTRACT

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The researcher found that student's essays were of poor quality because they had never been taught to write well before entering college. This situation illustrates the fact that writing is a complex skill to learn in English language acquisition. This study aims to investigate the difficulties faced by EFL students in writing essays as well as explore their learning needs to have a better quality of English composition. This study is a qualitative research. An open-ended questionnaire was administered to 38 students of the English Department at Nurul Jadid University, to discover students' needs and difficulties in writing essays. To analyse the data, the researcher used descriptive analysis technique. The findings showed that students had great difficulty with content, organisation, vocabulary, grammar and mechanics. Furthermore, students also need support in the form of using pictures, films, templates, effective learning methods and frequent writing. Therefore, this research is expected to provide insight to lecturers and heads of study programmes regarding the needs of students in writing essays.



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