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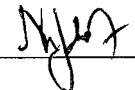
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LIST OF ABBREVIATION

EC	E-Counseling
MAKUMA	Majlis Kaunseling dan Kerjaya Universiti-Universiti Malaysia
MGR	Manager
SK	Sekolah Kebangsaan
UI	User Interface
UML	Unified Modelling Language
UMS	Universiti Malaysia Sabah
UTHM	Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia
UUM	Universiti Utara Malaysia

ABSTRACT

Nowadays, there are numbers of higher education institutions in Malaysia provided online counseling service as the alternative way for students who are facing difficulties to attend to the counseling center or have problems to face the counselors. With the existence of online counseling service, it helps students in solving problems regarding their study or personal life. From the observations done on the internet, public matriculation colleges in Malaysia have not provided online counseling service for students.

Therefore, the purpose of this project is to construct a requirement model for online counseling service for students and counselors' usage in matriculation colleges. Requirement model is one technique used to identify the requirements of one particular system based on user's needs and features of related existed system. Next, it designs and constructs the system based on the constructed requirement model.

UML notation has been used in this project in order to build the requirement model for online counseling service and system prototype design is designed in storyboard form. In this project, the functions of the system prototype have been discussed in detail based on the constructed requirement model.

ABSTARK

Pada masa ini, banyak institusi pengajian tinggi di Malaysia telah menyediakan perkhidmatan kaunseling secara atas talian sebagai jalan alternatif bagi para pelajar yang menghadapi kesukaran untuk datang ke pusat kaunseling atau mempunyai masalah untuk bersemuka dengan kaunselor. Dengan adanya perkhidmatan kaunseling secara atas talian, ia membantu para pelajar menyelesaikan masalah yang berkaitan dengan pembelajaran mereka mahupun masalah peribadi. Daripada tinjauan yang telah dilakukan di internet, kolej-kolej matrikulasi awam di Malaysia masih belum menyediakan perkhidmatan kaunseling secara atas talian kepada para pelajarnya.

Maka, tujuan projek ini adalah untuk membina satu model keperluan bagi perkhidmatan kaunseling secara atas talian untuk kegunaan para pelajar dan kaunselor di kolej-kolej matrikulasi. Model keperluan adalah satu teknik yang digunakan untuk mengenalpasti keperluan bagi sesuatu sistem berdasarkan kehendak pengguna dan ciri-ciri sistem berkaitan yang sedia ada dan seterusnya merekabentuk dan membangunkan sistem tersebut berdasarkan model keperluan yang sudah dibina.

Notasi UML telah digunakan di dalam projek ini untuk membina model keperluan bagi sistem kaunseling secara atas talian dan rekabentuk prototaip sistem tersebut telah dibangunkan dalam bentuk lakaran papan cerita. Di dalam projek ini juga, fungsi-fungsi prototaip sistem tersebut telah dibincangkan secara terperinci berdasarkan model keperluan yang telah dibina.

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CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of Study

The rapid technology development that is experiencing by most countries has caused multiple changes and side effects to society. As a result, it raises various socio-psychological effects in society. Parallel to the development, guidance and counseling services are needed for management to help life and to find wellbeing in life.

Counseling is a service that can support people to reach their full potential. It is a process of helping, individual realization and individual learning process (Zuraimey, Najib & Mohamed Sharif, 2008) to achieving wellness, personal's growth, self-understanding and character and career development through cognitive, affective, behavioral or systematic intervention strategies (American Counseling Association, 1997).

Nowadays, corresponding with the growth of network technology, counseling service is not only conducted by traditional therapy format, but it also can be constructed through online system. Counseling service through online system or online counseling can be presented in three basic forms which are email question and response, chat programs and

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