ABSTRACT

Title of the Research: A NARRATIVE INQUIRY OF A PHYSICALLY-CHALLENGED COLLEGE STUDENT

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Most of the schools have different students that are differed from each other by their physical appearance. One of the challenging part in the experiences of the students is being a physically-challenged because their capabilities are became limited. Usually, a physically-challenged students affected mostly on academic aspect. Especially, when a person is not naturally born as physically-challenged but suddenly they became one so uneasiness feeling arises when the necessity for adjustment to survive the everyday struggles.

This narrative inquiry under case study was conducted to describe realities behind the life of a physically-challenged to understand their capacities by not judging them and appreciate their contributions to our society. Aside from that, they can be a good inspiration to everyone to reach our dreams not to impress but to express the bright side between the four corners of their lives.

All the informations that are revealed in the study were came from the conducted interview with the particular participant that is qualified to this study. We also searched some topics that are related to this, which leads us to use the Litchman's 3C's to easily analyze and interpret the results we get from our participants. From coding to conceptualizing to categorizing.

We used Awakening: After the Accident, Rising: During Adjustment and Continuing: The New Journey as our themes. These are carefully chosen to categorize the significant statements from our participant. The three major focus that describes the life of a physically-challenged college student.