

## **ABSTRACT**

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### **AN OVERVIEW OF PROFESSION WORKING OF PSYCHOLOGY AT PT. DAPOERDONGENG NOESANTARA : RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT STAFF**

*Practitioners carry out professional work at PT. Dapoerdongeng Noesantara by following the Merdeka Belajar scheme. Pembangunan Jaya University began implementing the Merdeka Belajar program by converting the number of credits in certain courses into lecture activities, one of which was Professional Work. The practitioner works in the field of education and culture for teenagers in the research, development, and partnership sections for the SMASHED Project program. The implementation of professional work is carried out through the work from home method for 3 months. Practitioners have the opportunity to carry out activities and are responsible for the Research and Development section which focuses on conducting research and studies related to the topic of adolescent development at the age of 12-15 years. , compile databases of organization, individual, and communication, as well as design educational content. In addition, for the Partnership section, practitioners get the opportunity to carry out activities to compile school databases, contact educational institutions, and make SOPs for Communication. Practitioners carry out these activities by applying relevant and learned psychological theories. Implementation of this professional work provides experience for practitioners in developing creative and critical thinking skills in the world of work.*

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