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Abstract

The following study was conducted to examine the relationship between peer attachment, academic resilience, and psychological wellbeing among young adults. The research was carried out on a sample of N=165 (m=78) (f=87) young adults who were currently studying, aged 18-25 years.

Convenient sampling was used. Questionnaires were dispatched through google forms. Data was collected online following the COVID-19 safety guidelines. McGraw Hill friendship function scale (MFQ-FF) was used to measure peer attachment, Academic resilience scale (ARS 30) was used to measure academic resilience and Flourishing scale was used to measure psychological wellbeing. Results revealed a positively significant relationship between academic resilience and psychological wellbeing. A significant relationship between the subscales of peer attachment and academic resilience was also found. Findings also reveal that academic resilience is a predictor of psychological wellbeing among young adults. Females and unemployed young adults reported higher peer attachment. The study will help in highlighting the importance of peers at young adulthood and can guide institutions in adopting programs that increase academic resilience in students and thus benefit their mental health.

Keywords: Peer attachment, Academic resilience, Psychological wellbeing, Young adult