PERVIEVED BURNOUT, SELF-COMPASSION AND MINDFULNESS AMONG UNIVERSITY STUDENTS



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ABSTRACT

The aim of the current study was to explore the relationship between perceived burnout, mindfulness and self-compassion among university students. It was hypothesized that mindfulness and self-compassion will be positively correlated, whereas perceived burnout will have negative relation with mindfulness and selfcompassion. It was also hypothesized that mindfulness would have effect on selfcompassion. For the assessment of perceived burnout, Mindfulness and Selfcompassion Copenhagen Burnout Inventory, Personal Burnout Scale (Kristensen, Borritz, Villadsen, & Christensen, 2005); Cognitive and Affective Mindfulness Scale, Revised (Feldman, Hayes, Kumar, Greeson, & Laurenceau, 2007) and Self-Compassion Scale-Short Form (Neff, 2003) were used. Three hundred university students from different universities of Rawalpindi and Islamabad participated in the study. Results revealed that perceived burnout, mindfulness and self-compassion are significantly correlated with each other. Mindfulness and self-compassion have statistically positive correlation whereas perceived burnout has significant negative relationship with mindfulness and self-compassion. According to t-test analysis no significant difference was found among under graduate and post-graduate students with perceived burnout, mindfulness, self-compassion. Linear regression analysis predicted that mindfulness has significant effect on self-compassion. This study has important implications in the education setup as it can help in future intervention plans.

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