

ABSTRAK

FAIZAR RIANDA: *Tracer Study* Kesesuaian Profesi Kerja Dengan Bidang Keahlian Alumni Pendidikan Vokasional Teknik Mesin Universitas Malikussaleh. **Program Studi Pendidikan Vokasional Teknik Mesin FKIP Universitas Malikussaleh, 2025.**

Penelitian ini dilatarbelakangi oleh kurangnya informasi dari alumni seperti penempatan kerja, lama masa tunggu dalam mendapatkan pekerjaan, dan kesesuaian profesi kerja alumni. Data tentang kontribusi perguruan tinggi terhadap kompetensi yang ada di dunia kerja juga masih kurang sehingga diperlukannya profil lulusan Program Studi seperti besarnya tingkat daya serap lulusan di dunia kerja serta jumlah pengangguran lulusan. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengetahui persentase jenis pekerjaan dan kesesuaian profesi kerja dengan kompetensi lulusan Program Studi Pendidikan Vokasional Teknik Mesin, untuk mengetahui berapa persentase masa tunggu alumni, dan untuk mengetahui besar keberhasilan alumni setelah lulus dari Program Studi Pendidikan Vokasional Teknik Mesin. Metode penelitian yang digunakan adalah pendekatan kualitatif dengan jenis penelitian deskriptif evaluatif. Hasil penelitian *Tracer Study* jumlah alumni yang dapat terlacak 116 dari 116 alumni dengan persentase 100%. Masa tunggu alumni mendapatkan pekerjaan dalam waktu kurang dari 6 bulan dengan rata-rata 60%. Tingkat kesesuaian profesi kerja dengan bidang keahlian adalah 51% dengan latar belakang guru profesional SMK, pekerja industri, mekanik, praktisi pengelasan dan wirausahawan. Berdasarkan hasil penelitian maka dapat disimpulkan bahwa jenis pekerjaan alumni yang sesuai dengan kompetensi lulusan Program Studi Pendidikan Vokasional Teknik Mesin adalah 51% dengan kategori sesuai.

Kata Kunci: *Tracer Study*, Profesi Kerja, Alumni

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FAIZAR RIANDA: *Tracer Study on the Alignment Between Job Professions and Areas of Expertise Among Alumni of the Vocational Mechanical Engineering Education Program at Universitas Malikussaleh. Vocational Mechanical Engineering Education Study Program, Faculty of Teacher Training and Education, Universitas Malikussaleh, 2025.*

This research is motivated by the lack of information from alumni such as job placement, the length of waiting period to get a job, and the suitability of the alumni work profession. Data on the contribution of universities to competencies in the world of work is also still lacking, so the profile of graduates of the Study Program is needed, such as the level of absorption of graduates in the world of work and the number of unemployed graduates. This study aims to find out the percentage of job types and the suitability of work professions with the competencies of graduates of the Mechanical Engineering Vocational Education Study Program, to find out what percentage of the waiting period of alumni, and to find out the success of alumni after graduating from the Mechanical Engineering Vocational Education Study Program. The research method used is a qualitative approach with an evaluative descriptive research type. The results of the the tracer study results show that 116 out of 116 alumni were successfully tracked, resulting in a 100% response rate. A total of 60% of alumni obtained employment within less than six months after graduation. The relevance between the alumni's jobs and their fields of expertise was 51%, with professions including vocational school teachers, industrial workers, mechanics, welding practitioners, and entrepreneurs. It can be concluded that 51% of alumni are employed in fields that align with the competencies of the Vocational Mechanical Engineering Education Study Program, which is categorized as relevant.

Keywords: tracer study, alumni, employment relevance, waiting period, vocational education