Interlinking Organizational Culture and Employee Engagement of a Higher Education Institution: A Structural Equation Modeling Approach

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Abstract

This study presents the organizational culture and employee engagement levels of Cebu Institute of Technology -University, a higher education institution from the Philippines, based on the four culture types (clan, adhocracy, hierarchy, and market), and three dimensions of employee engagement (vigor, dedication, and adsorption). Respondents were employees of the university which were categorized as academic or administrative, and supervisory or non-supervisory. The inquiry adopted the Organizational Culture Assessment Instrument (OCAI), and the Utrecht Work Engagement Scale (UWES-17), and utilized PLS-SEM and PLS regression for analysis.

Findings revealed that the overall current and preferred culture type of the University is clan culture. Employees are also in a good state of engagement and are highest in terms of dedication with a mean score of 5.3059 on a 6-point Likert scale. PLS Regression suggested that organizational culture significantly influences employee engagement. Furthermore, adhocracy culture positively impacts dedication while hierarchy culture negatively impacts dedication.

Keywords

Organizational Culture, Competing Values Framework, Employee Engagement, Structural Equation Modelling

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