# ROLE CONFLICT AND SOCIAL SUPPORT AMONG WOMEN ACADEMICIANS

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## ABSTRACT

The primary purpose of this study was to determine the degree of work-family conflict experienced by married women academicians with children and the extent of social support received by them, from work and non-work sources. A questionnaire containing demographic questions as well as questions relating to work-family conflict intensity (Pleck, 1980) and perception of support (Caplan, 1975) were distributed to 85 women academicians (with children) working in a public university. The results suggested that these women academicians experienced varying degrees of role conflict and the greatest support received by them, was from their immediate superiors.

## ABSTRAK

Tujuan utama kajian ini adalah untuk melihat dengan lebih mendalam tahap konflik kerja dan keluarga, yang dialami oleh pensyarah-pensyarah wanita (yang mempunyai anak) dan sokongan sosial yang mereka perolehi daripada summber-sumber di tempat kerja dan sumber-sumber di luar tempat kerja. Borang soal selidik yang mengandungi soalan-soalan berhubung demografi serta soalan-soalan berhubung intensiti konflik kerja dan keluarga (Pleck, 1980) dan persepsi sokongan (Caplan, 1975) telah diedarkan kepada 85 orang pensyarah wanita yang sedang berkhidmat di sebuah universiti awam tempatan. Hasil kajian menunjukkan bahawa pensyarah-pensyarah berkenaan mengalami tahap konflik peranan yang tidak serupa dan ketua mereka merupakan sumber sokongan yang utama bagi mereka.

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## ABREVIATIONS

ICT Information Communication Technology

IMU International Medical University

JAKIM Jabatan Agama Islam Malaysia

KANITA Pusat Penyelidikan Pembangunan Wanita

KTAR Kolej Tunku Abdul Rahman

KUIM Kolej Universiti Islam Malaysia

KUiTTHO Kolej Universiti Teknologi Tun Hussein Onn

KUSTEM Kolej Universiti Sains dan Teknologi Malaysia

KUTKM Kolej Universiti Teknikal Kebangsaan Malaysia

METEOR Multimedia Enhancement Technology Operation

MFLS Malaysian Family Life Survey

MUST Malaysia University of Science and Technology

NACIWID National Advisory Council on the Integration of Women in

Development

NPFDB National Population and Family Development Board

NTU Nanyang Technological University

NUS National University of Singapore

PDS Programme for Diploma Studies

PSD Public Services Department

SMU Singapore Management University

UIAM Universiti Islam Antarabangsa Malaysia

UiTM Universiti Teknologi MARA

UKM Universiti Kabangsaan Mal;aysia

A I IM Universiti Malaya

UMS Universiti Malaysia Sabah

UNIMAS Universiti Malaysia Sarawak

UNITAR Universiti Tun Abdul Razak

UNITEN Universiti Tenaga Nasional

UPM Universiti Putra Malaysia

UPSI Universiti Pendidikan Sultan Idris

USM Universiti Sains Malaysia

UTM Universiti Teknologi Malaysia

WAO Women's Aid Organization

UUM

WCU World Class University

WIF Work Interference with Family

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