

## **Abstract**

### ***Motives and Meanings of Toxic Relationships in Adolescent Interpersonal Relationships in Pontianak City***

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This study focuses on adolescents who are entangled in unhealthy relationships in courtship. Toxic relationship is a relationship where there is no sense of support between each other, this relationship also has several factors, namely emotional violence, toxic parents, and psychological violence verbally and nonverbally. This toxic relationship can also cause the victim to make efforts that hurt themselves, such as feeling insecure, feeling lonely, feeling afraid, and even attempting suicide. According to Komnas Perempuan's Annual Records in 2017, 2018, 2019 to 2020, violence in dating relationships still ranks second after violence against wives or in the household. The impact received by the victim after finding an act of violence in the form of psychological and physical pressure. This also causes many victims to experience mental health problems and there are many cases of attempted suicide. This study discusses the phenomenology of motives & the meaning of toxic relationships to find out what the motives are and how to interpret unhealthy relationships. In this study using a qualitative method with a phenomenological approach to motives and meanings. The results showed that the form of violence experienced by informant became a form of verbal and digital violence because the actions taken by their partners were acts of limiting freedom. The reason for the informant to persist was because of the habit of living together, great affection, fear of being alone, and the threat given by his partner.

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