## SOFT SKILL REQUIREMENT FOR EMPLOYABILITY IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING INDUSTRY

## **ABSTRACT**

Polytechnic transformation is launched to give new "facelift" for education in polytechnic and quality of their graduates. According to the transformation, polytechnic graduates are expected to be high enterprising and posses employability skills. Employability skills or better known as soft skill required for employability vary according to industry. The aim of this study is to identify the required soft skills for employability in mechanical engineering industry. Six soft skills and sub skills were focused in this study. A descriptive quantitative research was conducted at Senawang Industrial Park. Data from respondents were analyzed in SPSS 16.0. SPSS 16.0 was the "backbone" instrument to analyze the data. Finding shows that mechanical industry require the highest mean value in almost all the sections. Finding of this study is believed to be beneficiary to the educators and learners to correlate to polish soft skills among learners.

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