

Integration of life skills through aquatic activities in the context of positive youth development (pyd) Integración de habilidades para la vida a través de actividades acuáticas en el contexto del desarrollo positivo de la juventud (pyd)

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Abstract. This research aims to analyze the improvement in life skills between teenagers who are given a life skills program and teenagers who are not given a life skills program in aquatic games at adolescence which are integrated with positive youth development. This research adopts a quantitative approach that integrates life skills and positive youth development through aquatic games. The population used in this research were students from the Aquatic Student Activity Unit (UKM) at Garut University and the research sample was determined using a total sampling technique using all 20 students who took part in the Aquatic UKM. The research instrument used was the life skills scale for sport (LSSS) questionnaire, development i This instrument was given to samples with an age range of 17-21 years, namely teenagers, then the samples were randomly selected to determine the experimental and control groups between the groups that were given the life skills program and the groups that were not given the life skills program. This instrument contains 8 indicators of life skills, namely, teamwork, goal setting, time management, emotional skills, intrapersonal communication, social skills, leadership, problem solving and decision making. The data analysis used in this research includes the normality test, homogeneity test, and hypothesis test by processing the data using the statistical product for social science (SPSS) version 25 program. The research results were obtained with a calculated T value of $3,496 > T$ table $2,101$, so H_0 rejected and H_a accepted, so it can be concluded that there is an increase in life skills between teenagers who were given the life skills program and teenagers who were not given the life skills program. This confirms that the life skills program which is integrated with positive youth development through aquatic games has an important meaning in the quality of human resources in teenagers in carrying out their daily activities.

Keywords: Aquatic Activities, Adolescents, Life skills, Positive Youth Development (PYD).

Resumen. Esta investigación tiene como objetivo analizar la mejora en las habilidades para la vida entre los adolescentes que reciben un programa de habilidades para la vida y los adolescentes que no reciben un programa de habilidades para la vida en juegos acuáticos en la adolescencia que se integran con el desarrollo juvenil positivo. Esta investigación adopta un enfoque cuantitativo que integra habilidades para la vida y el desarrollo juvenil positivo a través de juegos acuáticos. La población utilizada en esta investigación fueron estudiantes de la Unidad de Actividades Estudiantiles Acuáticas (UKM) de la Universidad Garut y la muestra de la investigación se determinó mediante una técnica de muestreo total utilizando los 20 estudiantes que participaron en la UKM Acuática. El instrumento de investigación utilizado fue el cuestionario Life Skills Scale for Sport (LSSS), desarrollo i. Este instrumento se aplicó a muestras con un rango de edad de 17 a 21 años, es decir, adolescentes, luego las muestras fueron seleccionadas al azar para determinar los grupos experimentales y de control entre los grupos que recibieron el programa de habilidades para la vida y los grupos que no recibieron el programa de habilidades para la vida. Este instrumento contiene 8 indicadores de habilidades para la vida, a saber, trabajo en equipo, establecimiento de metas, gestión del tiempo, habilidades emocionales, comunicación intrapersonal, habilidades sociales, liderazgo, resolución de problemas y toma de decisiones. El análisis de datos utilizados en esta investigación incluye la prueba de normalidad, prueba de homogeneidad, y prueba de hipótesis mediante el procesamiento de los datos utilizando el programa de producto estadístico para ciencias sociales (SPSS) versión 25. Los resultados de la investigación se obtuvieron con un valor T calculado de $3,496 > T$ tabla $2,101$, por lo que H_0 rechazó y H_a aceptó, por lo que se puede concluir que existe un aumento en habilidades para la vida entre los adolescentes que recibieron el programa de habilidades para la vida y los adolescentes que no recibieron el programa de habilidades para la vida. Esto confirma que el programa de habilidades para la vida que se integra con el desarrollo positivo de los jóvenes a través de los juegos acuáticos tiene un significado importante en la calidad del recurso humano de los adolescentes en el desempeño de sus actividades diarias.

Palabras clave: Actividades Acuáticas, Adolescentes, Habilidades para la vida, Desarrollo Juvenil Positivo (PYD).

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Introduction

The era of globalization is an era where technology plays a very important role and influences the development of millennials, so there are many challenges, obstacles and changes that must be made in the current era of Society 5.0 and must be carried out by educational units as the main gateway in preparing superior human resources (Amran et al., 2023). The issue of globalization has become the biggest problem point in the world, so information technology has revolutionized people's lives with the ease of

communicating and interacting digitally (Trisnadi et al., 2023). Easy access to smartphones tends to increase the level of addiction in teenagers which can affect their health and social interactions (Cleary et al., 2020). Increasing human resources through a teacher or school principal requires improvement and development in developing human resources on a wider scale at national and international levels in a sustainable manner so that they are able to answer the challenges of the industrial world or face the era of industrial revolution 4.0 and society 5.0 (Nugroho et al., 2022). The trend of increasing cases of

gadget/device/smartphone addiction among teenagers is related to high internet use, based on survey results from the Indonesian Internet Service Providers Association (APJII) in 2021 that the number of internet users in Indonesia has reached 210 million. In the latest survey findings, it was found that the internet penetration rate in Indonesia grew by 77.02%, there were 210,026,769 people out of a total of 272,682,600 Indonesian people connected to the internet in 2021. In terms of age, the 13-18 year old group surfs the internet the most, followed by the 19-34 year old group. years, the difference is quite slight and the 35-54 year age group is an age group that does not really understand internet usage. In line with the rapid development of technology, all information can be received easily by all levels of society, from children to adults, and it cannot be denied that the information received is not only limited to positive information, but negative information is the biggest challenge in using the internet (Kogoya et al., 2023). This is a form of individual self-defense in order to be able to improve the quality and quality of human resources to be able to compete in the demands of the era of globalization (Rohmanasari et al., 2019). All information can be received easily by all levels of society from children to adults as technology develops very rapidly, so that individuals and groups need to improve the quality of human resource development (Utami et al., 2023).

Adolescence is the most critical period for individuals with the desire to try new things. Adolescence shows the transition stage from childhood to adulthood which is marked by physical, cognitive, emotional and social changes (Shim, 2019). The information obtained is very influential for a person or individual on development, both positive development and negative development (Salafi et al., 2022). Therefore, life skills play an important role in individual development which can be interpreted as the development of physical, cognitive, affective abilities and social roles in society which enable a teenager to live life in a different environment (Yuniana et al., 2023). Life skills are assets, values and psychological skills that enable individuals to effectively handle challenges in everyday life (Kendellen et al., 2017). Thus, it can be concluded that life skills are assets, values, problem control, emotional control and positive behavior (Jufrianis et al., 2021). Teenagers need to be involved in positive activities, one of which is physical activity. The function of physical activity is to improve individual character and values when combined with a life skills program (Brunelle et al., 2007). Therefore, sport plays a very important role in the positive development of teenagers (Adji et al., 2022).

Physical activity is an important part of human life (Pratama et al., 2022). In adolescence, it is identified as an appropriate means to facilitate the positive development of adolescents, related to personal fulfillment in terms of physical, psychological and social development, assisting in becoming individuals who are ready to face the next life to be applied in life (Bean et al., 2020). Therefore, teenagers with all their activities will benefit from participating in

physical activities that support the development of positive physical activity for teenagers in their environment. In the field of sports, increasing youth participation is very important because it helps develop teenagers' personalities or prepares the younger generation to be competent and productive enough to be able to face life's challenges (Hardianto et al., 2022). Physical activity is about persistence in learning new skills and requires hard work and collaboration to solve problems and make decisions (Cope et al., 2017). Therefore, adolescence is the most appropriate time to obey and equip oneself with positive things that have been conceptualized in Positive Youth Development (PYD) (Hastuti et al., 2021). Positive youth development (PYD) is an aspect of life that views adolescence as an extraordinary asset in human development, so that it can be developed towards a deficit approach that can reduce negative behavioral problems in today's teenagers (Kendellen et al., 2017). Reducing youth involvement in risky behavior is at the core of the PYD framework, it is a new vision that challenges traditional views of youth. Youth development based on physical activity or sport-based youth development (SBYD) through physical activity programs promotes the quality of youth or improves not only physical performance but also contributes to the psychosocial development of the younger generation (Jacobs & Wright, 2018). From the above, it is clear that the development of the younger generation is positively related to life skills.

Life skills apply growth to survive, grow and develop, being able to communicate and build relationships individually and in groups. Indonesia's Human Development Index (HDI) is ranked 102nd out of 105 countries. HDI is a composite index which is an average measure of the main achievements in three fundamental dimensions of human development, namely: 1) long and healthy life, 2) knowledge and 3) good standard of living (Normawati, 2016). Formally, skills education is provided at vocational education institutions, both at vocational schools at the secondary level and at diploma and polytechnic education programs at the university level (Patty & Zakarias, 2021). In addition, the United Kingdom through the General National Vocational Qualification requires all its citizens to have the following basic skills: communication, personal skills, problem solving, information technology, and modern languages (Ryan et al., 2015). The life skills instrument that was successfully developed shows that life skills have 8 components as follows; teamwork, goal setting, time management, emotional skills, interpersonal communication, social skills, leadership and problem solving and decision making (problem solving and decision making) (Cronin & Allen, 2017). Life skills programs can be implemented through physical activity programs which are used as a way to provide experiences that encourage self-evaluation and teach or develop life skills in adolescents (Nopembri et al., 2022). Therefore, aquatic activities are one of the physical activities that can be developed to develop integrated life

skills in the context of positive youth development (PYD) (Saifu et al., 2021). Aquatic activity is a form of physical activity that can be done outside of school learning hours in the form of extracurricular activities as a means of developing achievement which is very important for children's social development (Sutapa et al., 2021). Choosing the right physical activity for children will help improve children's physical growth and development, because at school, for example, children often sit quietly and listen to the teacher talk, rather than actively moving and conveying ideas. will also be very useful. affect children's intelligence (Ilham et al., 2021). In fact, children's talents can be discovered from an early age (Sukendro et al., 2021). With optimal stimulation, children can develop their swimming abilities through aquatic activities. Because apart from being a means of helping children achieve success, aquatic activities are also useful in looking after themselves (Listyarini et al., 2021).

Aquatic activities carried out by children are very beneficial and have the potential to develop or encourage positive adolescent development (PYD), because in aquatic activities children will have a spirit of tolerance, self-control and discipline (Yudhistira et al., 2021). Therefore, aquatic activities are considered recreational sports and to find out how to improve life skills through various forms of learning, games and exercises in aquatic activities in addition to teaching and learning activities (KBM) at school (Nasrulloh et al., 2022). Improving or developing life skills through physical activity is very important because life skills are one of the goals in forming students' character (Kristiyanto et al., 2020). Enables teenagers to be physically active and improves their fitness, contributing to psychosocial development by encouraging the development of life skills and encouraging motor control (Trottier & Robitaille, 2014). Therefore, in this research we want to know the quality of life skills through aquatic activities in order to realize Positive Youth Development (PYD) (Nasrulloh et al., 2021). The remainder of this paper is organized as follows: Section 2 reviews all materials and methods, Section 3 presents the results, Section 4 provides a discussion of the study and finally Section 5 concludes the findings with some directions for future research.

Materials and methods

The research method used in this research aims to reveal, describe and conclude solutions to the problems raised in the background, so we used an experimental research method with a pretest posttest control group design research design (Sugiyono, 2013).

Table 1. Research design

Sample	Pretest	Treatment	Posttest
R	O1	X	O1
R	O2	-	O2

The research we conducted required a number of objects to be studied by determining the research population. The

population of this research were students who took part in the Aquatic Student Activity Unit (UKM) at Garut University, and the sample used was a total of 20 participants. Based on this statement, the sample in this study was 20 men and women who were divided into two sample groups, namely the experimental group (n= 10 people) and the control group (n= 10 people) which were divided randomly.

Research instruments are an important point in research which function to obtain the data examined in a study, because basically research is a process of proving the variables that will be assessed through research instruments, so research requires valid and reliable measuring instruments. The research instrument used was the Life Skills Scale for Sport (LSSS) questionnaire instrument. (Cronin & Allen, 2017). This instrument was developed for sports participants with an age range of 9-19 years. This instrument contains 8 life skills, namely, teamwork, goal setting, time management, emotional skills, intrapersonal communication, social skills, leadership, problem solving and decision making, divided into 47 questions using a Likert scale with a 5 point scale range, namely from 1 (not at all) to 5 (very much).

Table 2.

Life Skills Instrument Indicator

Indicator	Sub Indicator
Cooperation	Work together with a team
	Help the team to carry out tasks
	Receive suggestions from the team
	Cooperate with others for the good of the team
Goal Setting	Helps make targets to improve the game
	Provide a challenge
	Assessing goal achievement
	Create short-term goals to achieve long-term goals
Time Management	Commit to the goal
	Determine training goals
	Determine specific goals
	Manage your time well
Emotional Skills	Know how much time to spend on activities
	Control time usage
	Make goals so you can use them effectively
	Knowing how to deal with emotions
Social Skills	Understanding behavior can be different when emotional
	Pay attention to the feelings you are feeling
	Pay attention to emotions to stay focused
	Knowing other people's emotions
Leadership	Pay attention to other people's feelings
	Helping other people who are emotional to stay focused
	Helping others stay in control of their emotions
	Speak clearly
Problem Solving and Decision Making	Pay attention to the words said to others
	Pay attention to the movements made by other people
	Communicate well
	Set standards for the team
Problem Solving and Decision Making	Knowing how to motivate
	Help solve other people's performance problems
	Be a good role model
	Organize team members to work together
Problem Solving and Decision Making	Recognize the achievements of others
	Know how to influence team members positively
	Take team members' opinions into account
	Thinking about a problem together
Problem Solving and Decision Making	Compare each problem solution
	Make troubleshooting as much as possible
	Evaluate problem solving

The form of experiment carried out in this research was treatment carried out in 14 meetings, experiments were

carried out to get good results, so they were carried out with a training frequency of 3 days/week. Meanwhile, the duration of training is at least 4-6 weeks (Agi Ginanjar, Adang Suherman, Tite Juliantine, 2018). In this research, there were 12 meetings and two meetings for the pretest and posttest. Our research data processing uses Microsoft Excel 2006 and IBM SPSS version 25 statistical software. There are several main tests in the normality test, namely, Kolmorov-Smirnov Test, Liliefors Test, and Shapiro-Wilk Test, because the sample size of this study is less than 50 samples. Interpretation of normality test results uses the method of looking at the significance value (sig.) or probability (p-value) in the Shapiro Wilk Test of Normality table and then comparing it with the alpha (α) significance level of 0.005. The homogeneity test aims to determine whether research data has the same or homogeneous variance. In this study, the Levene Statistics homogeneity test was used using SPSS version 25.

Table 3. Basis for Normality Test Decision Making

Criteria	Decision
If the Sig value. Or P-value > 0.005.	Data is normally distributed.
If the Sig value. Or P-value < 0.005.	Data is not normally distributed.

Table 4. Basis for Homogeneity Test Decision Making

Criteria	Decision
If the Sig value. Or P-value > 0.005.	Data is homogeneously distributed.
If the Sig value. Or P-value < 0.005.	The data is not homogeneously distributed.

Independent Sample t-Test In hypothesis testing using the t-test. After the data is entered, the data can be processed using the t-test formula as follows:

$$a. \quad t_{count} = \frac{X_1 - X_2}{\sqrt{\frac{S_1}{n_1} + \frac{S_2}{n_2}}} \quad b. \quad t_{table} = n_1 + n_2 - 2$$

Table 5. Basis for making t test decisions

Criteria	Decision
If the t-count value > t table.	Ho is rejected, meaning there is a difference..

Results

The results of the research that has been carried out are presented by processing the data results that have been

Table 7. Initial Group Data

Group	Pre-Test				Post-Test			
	Score	Mean	elementary school	N	Score	Mean	elementary school	N
Experiment	1063	106	20.07	10	2101	210.1	8.69	10
Control	1381	138	28.73	10	1379	138	20.07	10

In table 7 with a sample size of 10 people for each group, it can be seen that the pre-test data in the experimental group had a total score of 1063, an average of 106, a standard deviation of 20.07. and for the post-test the experimental group had a score of 2101, an average of 210.1, a standard deviation of 8.69. Meanwhile, the pre-

determined, the researchers found various data that are ready to be processed, analyzed and concluded. With initial data in the form of sample demographic data as follows:

Table 6. Research Sample Demographics

Data	Mean	elementary school	Min	Max	N
Age	16.2	1.01	15	17	20
TB	164.3	6.29	155	175	
BB	61.5	3.14	55	65	
BMI	18.71	0.62	16.98	19.35	

Based on table 6 demographics regarding the description of the research sample, the measurement results showed that the average age of the sample was 16.2 years, the average height was 164.3 cm, the average weight was 61.5 kg and the average body mass index was 18.71 (Normal). An overview of the Body Mass Index (BMI) of the research sample can be seen in Figure 1 regarding the Body Mass Index Pie Chart diagram of the research sample.

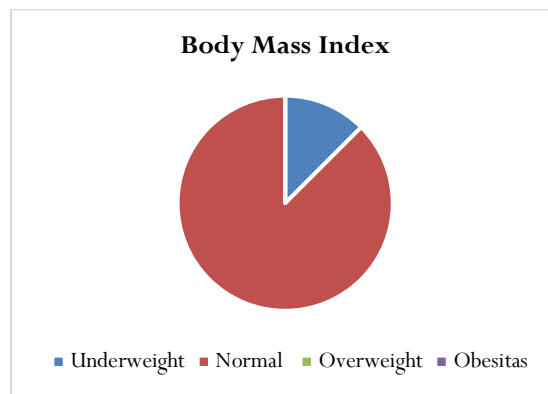


Figure 1. Pie Chart Body Mass Index Diagram for Research Samples

The raw data above is initial data as a reference that the participants/samples used have a good body mass index, then analyzed first before the samples are treated randomly so that each group has the same opportunity in determining the group in the research being carried out. Therefore, calculations and statistical data analysis were carried out using SPSS to find the expected results. To simplify the analysis results and avoid the possibility of errors, the data analysis process in this research uses Microsoft Excel. The results of processing and analysis of life skills data are described in the following table:

test data in the control group had a total score of 1381, an average of 138, a standard deviation of 28.73. and for post-test data the control group had a total score of 1379, average 138, standard deviation 20.07.

Table 8.
Pretest, Posttest and N Gain Values for Life Skills Components

Component	N Test Items	Pretest	Posttest	N Gains
Cooperation	7	176	321	145
Goal setting	7	164	312	148
Time Management	4	84	183	99
Emotional Skills	8	171	350	179
Social Skills	5	110	216	106
Interpersonal Communication	4	86	183	97
Leadership	8	181	358	177
Problem solving & decision making	4	95	178	83

In table 8 above, we analyze eight components of life skills. Component one, teamwork has a pre-test score of 176, post-test 321, and N Gain 145. Component two, goal setting has a pre-test score of 164, post-test 312, and N Gain 148. Component three, management time has a pre-test score of 84, post-test 183, and N Gain 99. Component four, emotional skills has a pre-test score of 171, post-test 350, and N Gain 179. Component five, social skills has a pre-test score -test was 110, post-test 216, and N Gain 106. Component six, interpersonal communication had a pre-test score of 86, post-test 183, and N Gain 97. Component seven, leadership had a pre-test score of 181, post-test 358, and N Gain 177. Component eight, problem solving & decision making has a pre-test score of 95, post-test 178, and N Gain 83.

After a description of the research data was obtained, then a data normality test was carried out. The normality test is carried out to determine whether the research data is normally distributed or not. In this study, researchers used the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test on SPSS version 25 software. According to normality rules, the significance level (p) is greater than 0.05. (5% significance level) then the data is normally distributed, conversely if the significance level (p) is smaller than 0.05 then the data is not normally distributed.

Table 9.
Life Skills Data Normality Test

		Tests of Normality					
		Kolmogorov-Smirnova			Shapiro-Wilk		
Group		Statistics	df	Sig.	Statistics	df	Sig.
Development Life Skills	Pre-Test Experiment	,206	10	,200*	,910	10	,281
	Post-Test Experiment	,287	10	,020	,751	10	,038
	Control Pre-Test	,137	10	,200*	,944	10	,599
	Control Post-Test	,241	10	,102	,832	10	,035

Based on table 9 above, it is known that the pre-test results for the experimental group have a significance value of $0.281 > 0.05$ and the post-test results for the experimental group have a significance value of $0.038 > 0.05$, so it can be interpreted that the data is normally distributed. Meanwhile, the pre-test in the control group had a significance value of $0.599 > 0.05$ and the post-test results in the control group had a significance value of $0.35 < 0.05$, so it could be interpreted that the data was normally distributed.

The homogeneity test is carried out to determine whether the data is homogeneous or inhomogeneous. This parametric technique assumes that samples are obtained from populations with equal variance, meaning that the

scores for each group are similar. In the homogeneity test using Levene's. The basis for decision making used is:

1. If the Sig value is >0.05 , then the data distribution is homogeneous
2. If the Sig value is <0.05 , then the data distribution is not homogeneous

Table 10.
Homogeneity Test

Development Life Skills	Data Group	Levene's	Sig.	Information
	Experiment		4,301	0.53
Control		14.55	0.10	

From table 10 above, the data homogeneity results obtained using Levene's analysis show that the data for developing life skills through sports, experiments with a sig value of $0.53 > 0.05$, means the distribution is homogeneous. And for the control group with a sig value of $0.10 > 0.05$, the control data distribution is declared homogeneous.

The Independent Sample t-test was carried out to determine whether there was a difference in improving life skills between teenagers who were given the life skills program (experimental group) and teenagers who were not given life skills (control group). So the data obtained is as follows:

Table 11.
Description Data

Statistical Source	Swimming Training Model	
	Life Skills	Non Life Skills
N	10	10
S	8.05	16.22
\bar{X}	158	138

If the t-count value $>$ t-table then H_0 is rejected, meaning there is a difference.

If the t-count value $<$ t-table then H_0 is accepted, meaning there is no difference.

Based on the data above, it can be seen that the calculated t value is $3.496 >$ t table 2.101, so H_0 is rejected and H_a is accepted, so it can be concluded that "There is a difference in the increase in life skills between teenagers who are given a life skills program and teenagers who are not given a life skills program." This confirms that the life skills program in aquatic activities is very effective to implement, thus the hypothesis is tested and can be accepted.

Discussion

The development strategies designed by us as in this research can intentionally increase a child's ability to transfer his life skills beyond other physical activities. Researchers act as controllers of youth life skills programs in aquatic activities. The swimming life skills program takes place in 14 sessions, each session is 90 minutes long, enough to develop life skills for teenagers. The next step, the researchers analyzed the group that was not given the life skills program, it was found that the group that was not

given the life skills program experienced an implicit increase even though the average value of improvement was lower than the group that was given the life skills program. It can positively help athletes to learn life skills that can be transferred into non-physical activity settings or transferred into everyday life.

There are eight life skills components, namely teamwork, goal setting, time management, emotional skills, social skills, interpersonal communication, leadership, problem solving and decision making (Sutapa et al., 2020). Among them, the life skills component with higher development is the emotional skills component. These emotional skills can be developed further because these skills refer to biological and psychological conditions and refer to the tendency to act in such a way that with this reference the ability of students to perceive themselves, understand and appreciate themselves can arise (Nasrulloh et al., 2020). Apart from the ability to provide reference stimuli, students can also stimulate the emergence of the ability to control emotions and the ability to solve personal problems. The program designed in this research is the same as teaching life skills, namely by integrating its components to teenagers (Danish et al., 2004). Emotional skills are considered the most important aspect of an aquatic activity program (Nugroho et al., 2021). Meanwhile, the lowest component of life skills is the component of problem solving and decision making, because at a young age the decision making ability becomes weaker because the nature of the skill is that it still has many choices and hopes for more. The decisions made produce consequences from the decisions chosen, so that in adolescence solving decision-making problems is still difficult (Garnefski et al., 2009).

Therefore, the results of this study indicate that the high participation in youth aquatic activities at the Garut University Student Activity Unit (UKM) can encourage teenagers to develop life skills. Researchers believe that physical activity really helps teenagers develop life skills. Sports-based youth development (SBYD) through sports programs produces a quality young generation (Jacobs & Wright, 2018). Therefore, this research was conducted to fulfill the research objectives to be achieved in the form of increasing life skills between teenagers who benefit from the life skills program and teenagers who do not benefit from the life skills program. This means that when implementing the life skills program in the aquatic program, the results achieved were higher compared to the group that did not take part in the life skills program. Intentionally designed youth sports facilitate positive youth development better than inadvertently designed environments (Bean & Forneris, 2016). To teach life skills optimally, it is necessary to focus on specific skills in each lesson (i.e. having life skills) which are mentioned several times throughout the lesson. Additionally, daily living skills can be targeted in multiple lessons by covering the same current living skill in at least two lessons in one program. The reason for focusing on one life skill at a time in several lessons is to allow teens to devote the effort and attention

necessary to successfully learn this skill (Kendellen et al., 2017).

The importance of teaching life skills in adolescent physical activity, this allows adolescents to have more opportunities because they have an environment that can support such as leadership, self-development skills and encourage beneficial results from the development of physical activity models through Positive Youth Development (PYD) in the future will come. The proposed 7C model addresses the need for new PYD indicators that are developmentally appropriate and culturally applicable (Syvertsen et al., 2021). The 7Cs model has been proposed and validated in several cross-cultural studies, indicating that the 7Cs supplemented with creativity have the potential to optimize and enliven PYD scholarship in broader aspects of developmental growth by considering development and related conceptual concepts. Conceptually, fundamental theoretical and empirical contributions have demonstrated that creativity enhances social and emotional development, positive identity, and well-being. From a developmental perspective, creativity reflects a process involving various stages of development with age-related similarities in childhood, adolescence and adulthood as areas of generalization across various cultural and social contexts (Yong et al., 2020). The 7C model argues that when all 7Cs are promoted and experienced by young people, they have the potential to optimize broader aspects of growth, well-being and development. When the context fosters competence (academic, social, and career skills), confidence (sense of mastery, positive identity, and self-esteem), character (integrity, ethical commitment, and adaptive utility, problem-solving skills, and personal values), connection (meaning welfare in a social and cultural context with community, friends, family and school), caring (empathy and sympathy), contribution (community/social volunteerism, helping involvement) and creativity (productive adaptability, problem solving), evidence of improved behavior positive when there are fewer signs of problem behavior (Manrique-millones et al., 2021).

Life skills development activities in sports programs are designed to encourage positive development of the younger generation. Sports psychology researchers have defined life skills as physical and cognitive behavioral skills that are necessary to meet the demands of daily life and must be transferred to other areas of life (Pierce et al., 2017). Swimming activities can be integrated with life skills to create a positive young generation as can be illustrated through the figure 2. From the picture above, data is obtained to analyze the eight components of life skills. Component one, teamwork has a pre-test score of 176, post-test 321, and N Gain 145. Component two, goal setting has a pre-test score of 164, post-test 312, and N Gain 148. Component three, management time has a pre-test score of 84, post-test 183, and N Gain 99. Component four, emotional skills, has a pre-test score of 171, post-test 350, and N Gain 179. The fifth component, social skills, has

a score pretest 110, posttest score 216, and N Gain 106. The sixth component, interpersonal communication, has a pretest score of 86, posttest score 183 and N Gain 97. Dimension seven, leadership, has a pretest score of 181, posttest score of 358 and N score The gain is 177. The eighth dimension, problem solving and decision making is determined, has a pre test score of 95, a post test score of 178 and an N Gain of 83. The superior life skill components in aquatic activities are emotional skills and leadership. The subjects of this research are teenagers who have positive experiences and take part in aquatic programs, so that the way they learn life skills or the process of measuring physical activity is more than just simple achievements but there are many things that can be a process to achieve them through self-development and can be successful as individuals, able to do physical activity and provide a positive impact as interests, talents and dreams for the future develop, what the subject experiences is becoming accustomed to the target or time and load during training. There are many targets applied by the coach through training hours, training intensity, number of swims achieved above 50 meters. (Hudaya et al., 2019). However, in the discussion of this research, there is still a need to develop each component of life skills towards other physical activities in order to support positive youth development (PYD), so that the impact that will be received by teenagers in every daily activity will be able to implement the 7Cs components in the long term. through various research that can develop continuously.

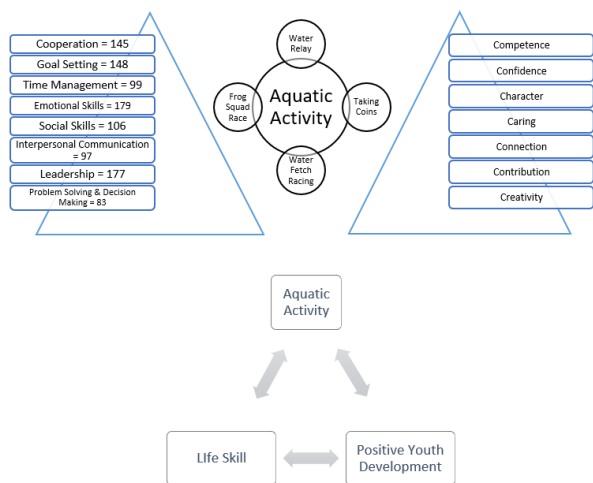


Figure 2. Integrated 7Cs Positive Youth Development model

Conclusions

The aim of our research is to analyze the improvement in life skills between teenagers who are given a life skills program and teenagers who are not given a life skills program in aquatic games at adolescence that are integrated with positive youth development. "The results of this research analysis showed that there was an increase in life skills between teenagers who were given the life skills program and teenagers who were not given the life skills

program." This confirms that the life skills program in aquatic activities is very effective to implement, thus the hypothesis is tested and can be accepted. The higher value components of life skills in aquatic activities are emotional and leadership skills in the 8 components specified in the research instrument (Kauki et al., 2024; Salafi et al., 2023)). This influences the younger generation to gain positive experiences and participate well in aquatic programs, so that the way they learn life skills or the process of measuring physical activity is not just about achievement but also many things that can be a process to achieve it (Trisnadi et al., 2024; Riyana et al., 2024). through personal development and the ability to succeed as an individual, can practice physical activity and have a positive impact on the development of interests, talents and future dreams thereby developing personal skills in developing positive 7Cs for teenagers. consciously applied in everyday life (Pratama et al., 2024; Arifin et al., 2024). Based on research results, aquatic programs are well integrated with the life skills of research subjects as supporting positive youth development programs, therefore, it can be concluded that improving life skills through aquatic programs in the context of positive youth development is successful with two components of emotional and leadership skills out of the eight components listed. used. Further research with different variables is needed to strengthen and confirm the findings in this study and overcome any limitations. Thus, this research becomes a strong basis for developing further research in other areas of physical activity to support the achievement of positive youth development indicators in society that are innovative, effective and implicative. Apart from that, this research provides recommendations so that future researchers can involve a larger sample size and conduct further research to analyze and produce a better number of life skill components and integrate them with several other physical activities in the context of positive youth development (PYD).

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