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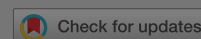
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A study of Macao tertiary students' language attitudes after the handover

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by Cantonese and Putonghua. Portuguese receives the lowest rating. Significant differences are found among students’ attitudes towards the four languages.

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according to the spelling used in cited English sources, but Macao will be used elsewhere.

3. In addition to the questionnaire survey, semi-structured interviews were conducted in July, 2013 among 17 UM freshmen.

4. The reliability of a psychometric instrument examines the extent to which a test produces consistent results when administered under similar conditions. In this study, reliability is measured by the Cronbach's alpha coefficient through SPSS, and an α value of .60 and higher is considered a sufficient reliability.

5. Factor analysis is a common statistical method employed in language attitudes studies. Exploratory factor analysis (EFA) is commonly used to explore the underlying dimensions of a construct, and confirmatory factor analysis (CFA) allows for testing the fit of models to the data. SPSS and Amos are used in this study to conduct EFA and CFA, respectively.

6. Descriptive statistics provide simple summaries about the sample and the measures. They focus on three characteristics: the distribution, the central tendency, and the dispersion. The mean and the standard deviation are used in this study to describe the central tendency and the dispersion of each variable.

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