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PREFACE

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ABSTRACT
The abrupt shift from face-to-face into distance or online learning due to the pandemic caused a stir among educators. Literature suggest that teachers had to adapt as quickly as possible. However, due to lack of experience, pre-service teachers faced more difficulties in this sudden change since they did not learn how to prepare online learning. This paper aims to investigate the pre-service teachers' ideas, attitudes, and obstacles in designing lesson plans in an online learning setting, thus making this research qualitative. Data collection was carried out through interviews with English pre-service teachers and document analysis in the form of lesson plans. The data are analyzed by using framework proposed by Brown (2001), Cameron (2001), and Richards (2001). The findings show that there are obstacles faced by the pre-service teachers’ in designing lesson plans, they are adjusting the new format of the lesson plan, arranging the appropriate activities, choosing learning media and material, managing time, formulating learning objectives, and designing the assessment. In addition, it also found that strategies in designing the lesson plan found based on the interview such as counselling with supervisor teacher, self-reflecting, predicting time allocation, comparing used lesson plans, exploring on the internet, brainstorming, and rewarding students. The pre-service students were able to overcome the obstacles by applying the strategies. However, due to the small sample, this research suggests future researchers of this topic to include a larger pool of sample to provide a larger amount of data. In addition, the research was unable to include observation due to the pandemic. Therefore, future researchers should include observations should the conditions are permissible.

Keywords: Lesson plan, online learning, pre-service teacher.
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