

ABSTRACT

This thesis entitled *An Analysis of Conversational Implicature in Kamala Harris' Interviews*. Communication is a crucial aspect of human life in a part of society from personal interaction, in the political field, whether or not we find this in interviews with political leaders is a rich source of language use that goes beyond the literal meaning as they are concerned with maintaining a positive public image. This research used the theory from Grice, namely Conversational Implicature that can capture these nuances. The result of this research was found through flouting the maxims and classified into Particularized and Generalized Conversational Implicature. This thesis also used Speech Function theory from M.A.K Halliday to show how conversational implicature appeared in Kamala Harris' Interviews. This thesis used a qualitative approach to explain the phenomena of Conversational Implicature in Kamala Harris' interviews. Based on the data analyst there are two types of conversational implicature were found in Kamala Harris's interview on NBC News and Face the Nation, namely Particularized and Generalized. Based on the theory of Systemic Functional Linguistics just found Statement as the speech function that was use on Kamala Harris' utterances.

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