The Effects of Massive Classes in the English Language Andragogy: A study at Cholistan University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences (CUVAS) Bahawalpur



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Abstract: The research investigates the impact of class size on English as second dialect andragogy in proper setup. The exploration was conducted at CUVAS Bahawalpur. For English language instructing, several BS classes are merged, which came about into an expansion in class size. It has impacted the nature of educating by virtue of a few issues looked at by instructors just as learners. A survey technique was applied to gather the information from 312 students (196 female and 116 male) on the educational, societal, and psychological factors that huge classes have on the English dialectal andragogy. Data were examined through SPSS. The findings of the study plainly show that enormous class sizes unfavorably affect the nature of teaching and learning. The study will be beneficial for teachers, students, and policymakers.

Key Words: Classroom Space, Teaching English, Seating Arrangements, Large Class, Overcrowded Classes

Introduction

This research is highly important for the institutional and current system of adult education. Firstly, it is significant to ponder whether the conservatory is prepared to aid this social order of adult learners. There is an increased number of adult learners, and it is important to attend to their needs and requirements at this stage to prepare them for the forthcoming challenges. Our education system, according to some scholars, is not prepared for such a huge number of adult learners (Caruth, 2013, 2014). The number of adult students attending colleges and universities has increased from 29% in 1970 to 43% in 2009. Therefore, this is about time to focus on adult learning strategies and their achievements and outcomes to formulate adult learners' techniques (Chen, 2014; Ali & sofa, 2018). There is an increased number of adult learners, and it is important to attend to their needs and requirements at this stage to prepare them for the forthcoming challenges. Our education system,

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The Ideal Number of Learners

Most of the literature supports the student's numbers in an adult classroom are directly proportional and positively connected to the achievement. Thus, the recommends dropping the number of learners in the classroom to achieve desired outcomes. The ideal number, according to the literature, has come to be finalized between 13-17 in the face-to-face adult room. Whereas, under 20 in online classes as well to maintain student's engagement and boost achievement. As mentioned in earlier sections, the reduction in classroom students' numbers must be accompanied by training teachers for professional development, implementation of andragogy principles, adult education principle amalgamated with Bloom's taxonomy could be implemented

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along with a reduction in the student number in a classroom for high achievement results (Jimakorn & Singhasiri, 2006; Rimm-Kaufman et al., 2021; Kuo et al., 2018).

It is analyzed that there is a major problem reported in the literature for the class size reduction that it is empirical and economical (Hoxby, 2000) as it is expensive to hire more teachers and resources to reduce the number of students. On the other hand, small- classroom leads to increased student-teacher time, managed behavior, decent time management, new andragogy teaching strategies implemented, which in return enhance cognitive achievement; thus, students achieve higher grades, reducing dropouts. As a result, society will have a high number of educated adults (Cho et al., 2012; Dobbelsteen et al., 2002).

Therefore, if there is a righteous focus in reduction on class sizes along with appropriate recommended strategies, it would result in decompensating the cost spent on the class reduction by teachers turn over decline due to high satisfaction rates and divided workloads (Lin et al., 2019). At the instructor level, little internet-based classes have been continuing to responsibilities at a healthy level, and consequently empowering an adequate amount and nature of criticism and understudy instructor cooperation, just as sufficient time for reviewing (Zhang et al., 2018; Sorensen, 2014, 2015; Li and Konstantopoulos, 2016). At the understudy level, in the interim, online instructors have contended that classes obstruct dynamic understudy cooperation just as understudy instructor ones (Arzt, 2011; Orellana, 2006; Taft et al., 2011; Lin et al., 2019).

Not only reducing student numbers in the classroom will be useful merely, but there is also a need for some analogous endeavors along with it. Brookfield (2006) advocated the concept that both learners and teachers are in situations of promising incessant learning. Undergraduates demanded they learned the most in classes that working on the expectations of andragogy. Hence, instruction subdivisions are fortified to finance time and energy in firming their trainers'/instructors' knowledge of andragogy (Chan, 2010; Kiener, Yow, 2010 2010; Minter, 2011; Yow, 2010). Overall, it is important to focus on such teaching strategies such as maintaining andragogy teaching methods, implementing adult education principles to prepare

students for their professional roles, greater achievement, and prevent dropouts along with the focus on small classroom sizes will be a shrewd move towards the meritocratic society (Caruth, 2014).

Working on the nature of instruction is one of the perspectives that the current Higher Education Commission of Pakistan and set up a bunch of value principles to further develop the educating learning process in Universities. In any case, there are significant issues that actually thwart the connection and English language education learning in the homeroom identified with class size. Class size has awoken a significant discussion everywhere, and different scientists have researched its effects on instructors and students (Batool and Qureshi, 2007; Dilshad and Iqbal, 2010)).

Teaching Strategies and Methods

There are various justification methods and frameworks that instructors can use to improve their classrooms, and they fit the purpose of each description. One of these frameworks is the General Physical Response, a language that demonstrates a technique that works around speech and development coordination. As noted by Mukundan and others. (2011), the motivation that drives this system is to use body improvements to help understand the importance of objective language.

Another key way of thinking that is complemented as a tool for educators is the Full Language approach, which complements the learning system in checking and compiling constraints. Mukundan and others. (2011), note that the hypothesis of learning depends on humanist and constructivist schools, so that constructivist learners "create goals", "learn by doing" and "enjoy work in mixed meetings in regular work".

In addition, another way of thinking that combines satisfying exercises for two-year-olds and younger students is Cooperative Language Learning, because learning English is based on a socially planned information trade between the social connections of extracurricular students, where each student can enlighten and learn. They want to expand their learning to their partners. Brown (2002, p. 234) argues that content-based language demonstration combines the study of a particular topic with the study of the next language. As the manufacturer points out, few learners retain information about language as they do about a given item, such as topography, culture,

history, or mathematics; worked with limits. In connection with the Assignment-Based Language Teaching (TBLT), it uses awareness-raising tasks, which should show the level of language knowledge of minors; correspondence, assignment, and examination, which are critical points of view that educators need to ponder.

Additionally, O'Brien (2007) consider that errands can be arranged by the kind of cooperation that happens in task achievement, for example, Jigsaw assignments, Information-hole undertakings, critical thinking errands, dynamic undertakings, and assessment trade undertakings, which will be done two by two, or little gatherings.

On the other hand, with past procedures that combine natural activities and promote the four abilities, there is a method that simply enhances testing and abilities; this methodology is characterized by "Sentence Structure Translation". Rodgers (2001) notes that grammatical translation is a strategy to focus on language by examining punctuation rules, attitudes, and plans in a language, with full expectations for the application of this information, and understanding sentences and messages inside and outside the target language. In short, there are a variety of systems and approaches that are useful to teachers, and they can be applied to something new, even by hand.

Class Size

The proportion of learners in the control lobby is a variable that teachers need to consider when planning a presentation. In this way, Okojie et al. (2006) argues that "the way educators complete course content, useful demonstration strategies, and progress in the review corridor can often be influenced by the number of low-achieving students in the classroom." Similarly, <u>Blatchford (2003)</u> also refers to different perspectives that help small classes and others that help giant classes. Basically, this producer says that the mercenary who provides for small classes is struggling to properly implement teachers' demonstration systems. Of course, the great value of reducing class size is the main argument of those who teach in large classes. In general, this author states that there are few completed assessments of the impact of class size on juvenile learning. As for large classes, <u>Brown (2002)</u> does not provide evidence of impact on learning, but he does acknowledge several issues concentrated in corridors with more than thirty accumulation of limitations and abilities, reduced

individual thinking; Chips have less opportunity to talk to understudies, and understudies are harder to contribute, "he said.

The board of Learning (Instructions, Feedback, Discipline, And Timing)

The directions are a significant instrument that educators provide for the learners. Indeed, Gower, Phillips and Walters (2005) notice that instructors should initially ensure everybody is tuning in and watching the guidelines to get the understudy's consideration. Another device is the utilization of a straightforward language and short articulations that are proper to a circumstance where the understudies acknowledge the educators' clout to make language practice productive and to stay away from disarray and vulnerability. Also, it is advantageous to help directions with visual hints such as genuine items, pictures, signals, and emulate or give composing guidelines on cards or bits of paper. After the educator gives an exhibition or a guide to clarify the guidelines, lastly he makes sure that understudies have gotten what they are needed to do. In like manner, <u>Scrivener</u> (2005) proposes that one significant motivation behind why students may not effectively adhere to action guidelines is that they don't really hear them, maybe on the grounds that they don't completely focus when they are given. In this sense, educators regularly contribute energy tracking down proper ways of working their guidelines as opposed to zeroing in on getting understudies" consideration prior to letting them know how to foster the exercises.

Criticism is another significant viewpoint that instructors ought to apply in their classes. As indicated by Gower, Phillips, and Walters (2005), criticism is one of the main obligations of an educator, by which instructors can assist their understudies with assessing their prosperity and progress. Additionally, timing is a critical component in the educating learning process since educators can utilize using time productively in the study hall to improve learning openings for understudies. As such, moving rapidly through the arranged learning exercises. About planning, Cowley (2009) makes reference to various reasons by which overseeing time is significant in English educating; for instance, to give understudies sufficient opportunity to work satisfactorily, to control conduct, furthermore to clear up questions. Furthermore, the creator remarks that every action on an illustration plan should have a sufficient measure of time;

however, once in a while, it is difficult for instructors to foster their examples as they arranged. In outline, overseeing learning in the homeroom is essential to foster the instructing learning process effectively.

Management of Large Classes

In numerous nations, the primary requirement for educators on inventive instructing is the size of the class. Normal hardships incorporate issues to move in the homeroom, educators can't give equivalent consideration regarding all understudies, and the discipline in this sort of class can be a major issue. To beat these hardships, Scrivener (2005) recommends a few plans to be applied with enormous classes, for example, adjusting the study hall furniture, pushing the seats in a tough spot, or arranging a discipline contract with understudies to make them work unobtrusively.

Woodward and Talbert Johnson (2009) prescribes a course of action to develop a particular proportion of routine in the gigantic review corridor. Eventually, it is basic not to make arrangements pointlessly fixed, or the class will go into the changed pilot, and it will be truly challenging to turn them whenever they have begun. Besides, the creator suggests keeping understudies required from the start of the manual to accomplish a functioning air. The producer moreover proposes the utilization of entire stages and colossal show surfaces, like the board, as a procedure for returning the entire class to a relationship after group work.

Practices of Working with Large Classes

As indicated by <u>Harmer (2007)</u>, paying little brain to the issues of tremendous classes, there are things that teachers can do, for example, utilizing worksheets to pass out worksheets for a noteworthy package of the errands which they would regularly do with the entire class. Pair work and collecting work have a gigantic effect since they broaden understudies' benefit. There are methodologies for doing this: first areas go to go facing second lines, third lines to confront fourth lines, and so forth. It is crucial to make orientation particularly fathomed and pick the best method for halting the turn of events. As per Scrivener (2005), a pretend is when understudies remove a portion of a specific individual and can be utilized to offer the understudies a chance to evaluate language as of late acquainted all together with work on their familiarity. In like manner, <u>Harmer (2007)</u> claims that pretend to

recreate this present reality in a similar sort of way, yet the understudies are given specific jobs, they are told what their identity is and regularly what they think about a specific subject.

Different supplements in the classes are games. Scrivener (2005) noticed that numerous customary games could be adjusted to unknown dialect instructing. Similarly, as with any correspondence action, the spaces of language delivered might be unsurprising, and along these lines valuable as a directed action, or less unsurprising and appropriate for a more liberated stage. Then again, they comment that in worldwide classes, a few games can be an issue assuming a few understudies know the game and others have never known about it. The last option is in a tough spot from the beginning.

Locale and Participants

This research was conducted in Cholistan University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Bahawalpur in which students from several BS degree programs such as a doctor of veterinary medicine, Medical Lab Technology, Zoology Microbiology, Food Science and Technology, Computer Science, BBA, Poultry science Animal Sciences and Biological Sciences semester (1-3) are merged to teach English and other Social Science subjects like Islamic studies/ethics, Pak studies, Statistics, Mathematics, etc.

Procedures

The evaluation began with a study of bibliographic assets such as printed and advanced books, regions, diaries, and more. The centers for this exam have been identified by the influence of large lessons in the English language teaching-learning process; techniques and approaches, class size, access control, large classroom management, exercises for working with giant classes, different skill levels, guest plan, and homeroom area.

This review followed a quantitative methodology. Quantitative on the grounds that information was organized and frequencies were determined for its investigation and quantitative in light of the fact that information was painstakingly portrayed and broke down. As indicated by the exploration plan, the procedures were reviews and note-taking, while the instruments were polls.

The surveys were utilized to accumulate learners" discernments on the educational, social, and mental impacts of class size in the instructing learning

process. For that reason, 21 Likert scale questions were remembered for the surveys in three variables. Everything found out if they Strongly concur, concur, Undecided, Disagree, and Strongly can't help

contradicting the assertions given. The data were gathered from 312 understudies (196 male and 116 female).

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Table 1 reveals the results of academic issues of large size classes for English language andragogy at CUVAS Bahawalpur. Means related to all items concerning academic issues of the English learning students in large size class are at significant values. Students can't participate in class activities like debates, tests, discussion for skills listening, plus space of the class becomes problematic for large size classes.

Table 2. Showing Instructional issues of large-size classes for English language andragogy at CUVAS Bahawalpur.

Item No	Statement	Gender	Opt.	SDA	DA	UD	A	SA	M	SD	t	P
	Learners interact with	Male	f %	2 0.6	0.0	1 0.3	44 14.1	69 22.1	4.53	.691		
10	the instructor as well as among themselves	Female	f %	3	5 1.6	0.3	11235.9	75 24.0	4.28	.743	2.994	.003
	Learners have the chance to	Male	<i>f</i> %	5 1.6	0 0.0	8 2.6	50 16.0	53 17.0	4.26	.924		
11	fabricate connections with their cohorts.	Female	f %	0.3	0.0	2 0.6	11235.9	81 26.0	4.39	.566	-1.531	.127
	The teacher does not	Male	<i>f</i> %	3 1.0	1 0.3	9 2.9	69 22.1	34 10.9	4.12	.793		
12	remember the students name.	Female	f %	0.3	4 1.3	1 0.3	131 42.0	59 18.9	4.24	.615	-1.481	.140
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13	on the grounds that there is less likely that the instructor makes inquiries to similar Learners.	Female	<i>f</i> %	0.0	1.0	0.3	98	94	4.44	.592	1.957	.049
	Learners can utilize a mobile phone or one more	Male	f % f	2 0.6 0	6 1.9 0	7 2.2 2	40 12.8 134	61 19.6 60	4.31	.927		
14	electronic gadget in secret by the educator.	Female	%	0.0	0.0	0.6	42.9	19.2	4.30	.480	.181	.857
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Table 2 showing instructional problems of large size classes for English language andragogy at CUVAS Bahawalpur. High Means and standard deviation values related to all items in the teaching problems show

important results, which indicate the existence of teaching issues in the large size of classes for teaching the English language.

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Table 3. Showing Psychological difficulties of large size classes for English language andragogy at CUVAS Bahawalpur.

Item No	Statement	Gender	Opt.	SDA	DA	UD	A	SA	M	SD	t	P
	The environment is stressful.	Male	f %	2 0.6	2 0.6	0.0	32 10.3	80 25.6	4.60	.745		
15		Female	f	0	5	0	127	64	4.28	.595	4.276	.000
			%	0.0	1.6	0.0	40.7	20.5				
	Learners feel awkward	Male	<i>f</i> %	$0 \\ 0.0$	0 0.0	2 0.6	35 11.2	79 25.3	4.66	.510		
16	talking before		f	1	5	0	79	111		.683	2.239	.026
	their accomplices.	Female	%	0.3	1.6	0.0	25.3	35.6	4.50			
	Learners don't	Male	<i>f</i> %	3 1.0	2 0.6	0 0.0	23 7.4	88 28.2	4.65	.805		
17	chance to offer		f	0	8	0.0	102	86			3.361	.001
	their	Female	%	0.0	2.6	0.0	32.7	27.6	4.36	.691		
	viewpoints. Learners	Male	f	1	19	1	19	76	4.29	1.150		
	prefer not to		%	0.3	6.1	0.3	6.1	24.4	1.22	1.150	1.870	.062
18	partake in light of the fact that	Female	f	3	32	3	73	85	4.05	1.115		
	they feel		%	1.0	10.3	1.0	23.4	27.2				
	apprehensive. The instructor		f	1	17	12	20	66	4 15			
	doesn't give	Male	%	0.3	5.4	3.8	6.4	21.2	4.15	1.152		
19	equivalent		f	3	10	5	62	116			-2.335	.020
	consideration to all his/her	Female	%	1.0	3.2	1.6	19.9	37.2	4.42	.888		
	Learners. Learners feel		f	0	0	3	31	82				
	that they can	Male	<i>J</i> %	0.0	0.0	1.0	9.9	26.3	4.68	.521		
20	contend		f	0	1	0	96	99			2.012	.003
20	pleasingly with others	Female	%	0.0	0.3	0.0	30.8	31.7	4.49	.531	3.013	
	Learners.											.222
	Learners feel loose on the	Male	<i>f</i> %	2 0.6	$0 \\ 0.0$	0.0	64 20.5	50 16.0	4.38	.668	.668 1.223 .460	
21	grounds that		f	0.6	0.0	0.0	137	59		1		
	they can go unrecognized.	Female	J	0.0	0.0	0.0	43.9	18.9	4.30 .460	.460		

Table 3 shows instructional problems of large size classes for English language andragogy at CUVAS Bahawalpur. High Means and standard deviation values related to all items in the teaching problems show

important results, which indicate the existence of teaching issues in the large size of classes for teaching the English language.

Table 4. Average Means and Standard deviations of three factors

	Academic Issue	Social Issue	Psychological Issue
Mean	33.88	21.71	30.77
SD	6.770	2.125	2.652
SEM	.383	.120	.150

Table 4 indicates average Means and standard deviations of Academic, social, and psychological issues.

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Table 5. Showing correlations of three variables, i.e., Academic, social, and psychological issues.

Variables	Mean	SD	R	p
Academic Issue	33.88	6.770		
Social Issue	21.71	2.125	.192**	.000
Psychological Issue	30.77	2.652	.253**	.000
Total	86.37	9.221	.174**	.000

Note: p-value = Significance Level, r = correlation coefficient, SD = Std. Deviation

Table 5 shows that all three variables are significantly correlated to each other with .000 P values.

Discussion

Following formulations of the results, it was vital to process the frequencies and rates for each question. The quantifiable information was presented in three verifiable diagrams, and it was used to analyze and look at understudies" perceptions about the useful, social, and mental repercussions of massive classes in the training learning process of the English Language. To give a solid foundation to the assessment, the speculations presented in the composing study were used to discuss the results of the assessment. Finally, the primary disclosures were considered for forming the finishes and ideas of this assessment.

Harmer (2007) explains that a couple of learners fight to work with others. The results showed that a couple of understudies consider that it is verifiably difficult to consolidate data. Henceforth, they might encounter issues to work in social occasions, and it drives them to give a negative perspective with regards to the sensibility of learning works out.

Another perspective that impacts while consolidating statistics is the genuine homeroom. Dimmock and Walker (2000, p. 109) claims that "Tending to how understudies best learn includes making positive conditions for learning. These conditions incorporate the physical and enthusiastic condition of the understudy, and the actual homeroom climate". A significant angle about the actual setting is the utilization of room; changing furnishings, and planning satisfactory room, which builds the likelihood of good learning.

In light of this data and in concordance with the creators, obviously, understudies who were essential for in this review could see that there are various conditions like the actual study hall climate, the size of the class, the passionate condition of the understudy, among different angles that don't permit them to apply what they realize.

It tends to be seen in chart No two that 52% of the understudies completely concurred with the inquiry; they thought that the exercises are done in the study hall permit them to work on tuning in, talking, perusing, and composing abilities, while 32% of understudies concurred with this viewpoint. Maybe it is vital to consider that the vast majority of the understudies perceive that the exercises during the class permit them to rehearse the four abilities. Gower et al. (2005) notice that "customarily we have four language abilities: two responsive (tuning in and perusing), and two useful (talking and composing)." These creators consider that coordinated abilities permit the act of language, which expects to reproduce the genuine word correspondence. It assists with creating language abilities among understudies. Besides, language structures are chosen by the student's requirements. In that manner, students can recognize the most utilized constructions that will permit them to impart in a common habitat. Then again, the 16% of the members, to some degree concurred, they accept that the exercises in class don't permit them to work on tuning in, talking, perusing, and composing abilities; they notice that it is more hard to convey among them.

Conclusion and Recommendations

Learners see that class size does influence the exercises done in the class since they can apply what they realize. It appears to be that instructors know how to exploit the actual space to dole out various exercises that permit students to rehearse the language. Instructs see that class size affects the understudies" level of consideration and interest. A large number of understudies in the study hall doesn't permit educators to guarantee that all learners, particularly the people who sit in the last lines, are occupied with the examples. With respect to utilization of exercises, for example, pretends, discussions, or contests, there is a slight contrast understudy's replies; notwithstanding, most of the members will more often than not show that those kinds of exercises are not utilized in the English class. It appears to be that it

requires some investment to include understudies in discussions or rivalries because of class size.

Instructors can oversee adapting properly since learners communicated that they can't cheat during tests and they don't take care of undertakings of different subjects in the class. This implies that learners know about their cut-off points and ability to act in the English class—guest plan in enormous classes troublesome understudies to effectively partake inclass exercises the advancement of exercises. The actual spaces permit educators to organize seats to include learners in the examples. With respect to the social ramifications of enormous classes, it appears to be that class size advances collaboration and constructs great connections in the homeroom. Additionally, learners feel loose on the grounds that they are not every now and again choose to respond to inquiries since their instructors seem to have issues to recall their names. There is mental ramifications of huge classes in the educating learning process since learners show that the climate is unpleasant, and they feel depressed when talking before others. Moreover, understudies see their instructors don't focus on their requirements similarly. Following recommendations on the basis of the findings of the current study.

- Teachers must follow the proper class size formula to provide quality education.
- Headteacher must keep check and balance of standard of Instructions, Feedback, Discipline, And Timing.

- English language teachers must follow standard teaching methodology in accordance with standard class size.
- Class activities should be performed up to the standard.
- Each student must be given proper attention.
- Educators should track down innovative ways
 of connecting all learners in the illustrations,
 for example, doing exercises and conversation
 starters which objective is to give fascinating,
 individual, or gathering exercises to offer all
 learners a similar chance to take an interest.
- It is fitting to painstakingly design the kind of guest plans to give understudies an agreeable climate when they take an interest in discussions or meetings and different sorts of exercises that advance the utilization of the objective language for trading thoughts.
- Educators need to track down powerful methods for creating learners "talking abilities in enormous classes. The Internet offers different exercises and thoughts for drawing in understudies insignificant and fun exercises in huge classes.
- Teachers must guarantee that learners " needs are fittingly met. In this sense, educators may pick a friend coaching methodology to give students some sort of individual consideration.

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