

Abstract

The objective of the current study was to investigate relationship between Narcissism, Machiavellianism and Emotional Empathy among University Students. Another objective was to infer whether Narcissism and Machiavellianism is the predictors of emotional empathy deficits. Sample drawn through stratified random sampling included ($N= 912$) public and private university students (male= 490 and female= 422). The narcissistic personality scale (NPI); Machiavellian personality scale (MPS) and Emotional empathy scale (EES) were used to conclude the proposed hypotheses. The narcissistic personality scale (NPI) and Machiavellian personality scale (MPS) were translated into Urdu. Data was statistically analyzed by Correlation, Regression and T-test. Results generated through correlation matrix revealed that narcissism has significant negative relationship with emotional empathy. Machiavellianism has non-significant relationship with emotional empathy. Multiple regression analysis revealed that narcissism is significant negative predictor of emotional empathy as it indicated that Exhibitionism, Exploitativeness, Self-sufficiency is significant negative predictor of emotional empathy. Machiavellianism is significant positive predictor of emotional empathy. Amorality negatively predicted emotional empathy. Gender and mother education also found predictors of emotional empathy. Additionally differences in Narcissism, Machiavellianism and Emotional Empathy were explored across gender and also in government and private institutes.

Key words: Narcicissim, Machiavellianism, Emotional Empathy.