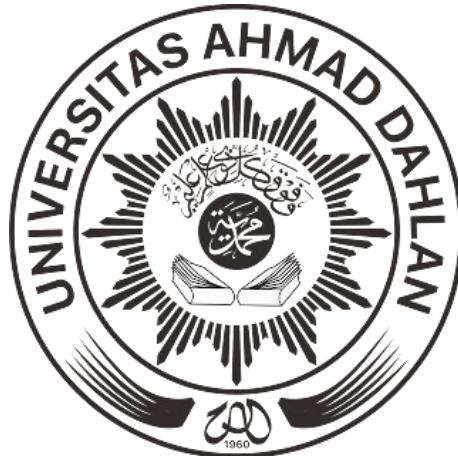


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ABSTRACT

This research is entitled *American Dream in film Minari: Representation of Korean Immigrant Family in America*. This research is based on the social inequality that still occurs in this world, including in America. This research aims to analyze the value of *American Dream* represented in *Minari* film. It also aims to understand the motivation that drives the characters in *Minari* to pursue their dreams in America.

The researcher use a qualitative approach technique to obtain data. The researcher use *Minari*'s film as the main source and related journals or articles as the secondary data. In analyzing the data, researchers use two approaches, namely the sociological approach and the psychological approach. The researcher use Hofstede's cultural dimension theory and Abaraham Maslow's hierarchy of needs theory. Hofstede's cultural dimension theory analyzes the social value of American culture as the value used to achieve the *American Dream*, while the hierarchy of needs theory analyzes the motivation to achieve the *American Dream*.

Based on this analysis, Korean immigrant families achieve the *American Dream* by reflecting the American cultural values they fulfill, namely individualism, freedom, competition, privacy, equality, informality; future, change, and progress; humanity; time; achievement, action, work, and materialism; and directness and assertiveness. Motivation to achieve the *American Dream* is also revealed through Maslow's five Hierarchies of Needs, physiological needs including income and home; security needs including financial stability, family health, and security concerns; love needs including relationships within the family; self-esteem needs including recognition and confidence; self-actualization needs including developing potential to achieve success.

Keywords : *American Dream*, Korean Immigrant, American Cultural Value, Cultural Dimension, Human Needs.

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INTISARI

Penelitian ini berjudul *Impian Amerika dalam Film Minari: Representasi Keluarga Imigran Korea di Amerika*. Penelitian ini berlatar belakang atas kesenjangan sosial yang masih terjadi di dunia ini, termasuk di Amerika. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menganalisis nilai *Impian Amerika* yang direpresentasikan di film *Minari*. Penelitian ini juga bertujuan untuk memahami motivasi yang mendorong tokoh di film *Minari* untuk mengejar impian mereka di Amerika.

Peneliti menggunakan teknik pendekatan kualitatif untuk memperoleh data. Peneliti menggunakan film *Minari* sebagai sumber utama dan jurnal atau artikel terkait sebagai data sekunder. Dalam menganalisis data, peneliti menggunakan dua pendekatan, yaitu pendekatan sosiologi dan pendekatan psikologi. Peneliti menggunakan teori dimensi budaya Hofstede dan teori hirarki kebutuhan Abaraham Maslow. Teori dimensi budaya Hofstede menganalisis nilai sosial budaya Amerika sebagai nilai yang dipakai untuk mencapai *Impian Amerika*, sedangkan teori hirarki kebutuhan menganalisis motivasi dalam mencapai *Impian Amerika*.

Berdasarkan analisis ini, keluarga imigran Korea berhasil mencapai *American Dream* dengan merefleksikan nilai-nilai budaya Amerika yang mereka penuhi, yaitu individualisme, kebebasan, kompetisi, privasi, kesetaraan, informalitas; masa depan, perubahan, dan kemajuan; kemanusiaan; waktu; pencapaian, tindakan, pekerjaan, dan materialisme; serta keterusterangan dan ketegasan. Motivasi untuk mencapai *American Dream* juga terungkap melalui lima Hierarki Kebutuhan Maslow, diantaranya adalah kebutuhan fisiologis termasuk pendapatan dan rumah; kebutuhan keamanan termasuk stabilitas keuangan, kesehatan keluarga, dan masalah keamanan; kebutuhan cinta termasuk hubungan dalam keluarga; kebutuhan harga diri termasuk pengakuan dan kepercayaan diri; kebutuhan aktualisasi diri termasuk mengembangkan potensi untuk mencapai kesuksesan.

Kata Kunci : *Impian Amerika*, Imigran Korea, Nilai Budaya Amerika, Dimensi Budaya, Kebutuhan Manusia.