**CHAPTER I**

**INTRODUCTION**

This chapter discussed the background of the research which consists of 6 points such as the reason for choosing this topic, research question, research objective, significance of the research, scope of the research and the definition of terminologies.

1. **Background of the research**

The importance of the paper or a research is one of the final assignments that must be taken by every student / undergraduate (S1), thesis also called a scientific work which is a prerequisite for obtaining an S1 (Bachelor 1) degree. Paper contains a research that contains an experiment, a case study or a research that is arranged in each topic has the goal so the research is pursued to obtain a result in accordance with the applicable provisions and relevance. (Whitaker, 2009)

However in practice, many difficulties are faced by students in arranging the thesis in daily elements in their life. In addition the common difficulties are faced by students during arranging a paper process meaning every aspect which can be a subject or risk when students enter the thesis process consist of economic, education roles, social, and culture. (Smolders, 2003).

Therefore, the importance of research in the final semester of the S1 Bachelor degree, making students experience so many demands that must be taken such as the work activities such as preparing thesis topic, and title, digging various articles, collecting issues, analyzing the data or subject research and references as preparation to compiling and having to apply scientific writing to applicable, that’s is a common thing that is often encountered by final students in entering the paper preparation phase. (Asha, Locke, & Clarkson, Written language, 2003)

Thus this research aims to discover the difficulties of students when entering the paper phase related to research questions in chapter two in point 1.3 The Resarch Question.

1. **The Reason for choosing this topic**

In this research, the reason for choosing this topic is because writing is one of the most important things when students enter semester 8 or during the process of writing a paper. However at the same time students are faced with difficulties in the process of compiling a paper, so the researcher wants to discover the students’ difficulties, especially in academic writing during thesis completion.

1. **Research Question**

This research consists of one of the research question: What are the difficulties faced by students in academic writing during undegraduate theisis completion?

1. **Research Objective**

In practice, the research objective is to discover students’ difficulties about students’ difficulties in academic writing during thesis completion.

1. **Significance of the Research**

This research has the aim of providing information for students who are carrying out research, especially in the English education program. Moreover this research is to inform to the readers, especially undergraduate students that this can be minimalizing and can be a reminder for English Education Students’ before and when they are entering the semester 8 must be prepared well. (Navsaria, Michelle, & Harsha, 2011).

1. **Scope of the Research**

This study is a case study qualitative research used audio-recorded interviews for data collection, with the participants being three participants are undergraduate students of English Education programs at one of the Universities in Garut.

This study also focuses on the difficulties faced by students in academic writing in the process of writing a paper in English Education Programs in a University of Garut.

1. **The Definition of Terminologies**

The students’ difficulties in academic writing during making a paper are the various problems such as the daily activity of students faced during writing a research paper in undergraduate students (Navsaria, Michelle, & Harsha, 2011)