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affiliates on the choice in buying online. Frequency counts, mean, percentage and standard deviation, ANOVA T- TEST, and Spearman rho formula were used in the study using purposive method. Five-point Likert scale was used to measure the respondent's level of influence of affiliates on the choice of the students in buying online. On the other hand, Spearman rho formula was used (which is a non-parametric test used to measure the strength of association between two variables, where the value r=1 means a perfect positive correlation and value r= -1 means a perfect negative correlation). In determining the relationship between the behavior of the respondents on their buying online to level of influence of affiliates in the choice on buying online.

The study found out that there was a significant difference on the level of influence on their choice in buying online when grouped according to socio-demographic profile in terms of monthly allowance. There was a significant correlation between the behavior of the respondents on their buying online to level of influence of affiliates in the choice on buying online in terms of popularity and information clarity.

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INTRODUCTION

The increase in technology provides good opportunities to the seller to reach the customer in much faster, easier and in economic way. According to (Wheeldon, 2010) the modern media practices have evolved significantly from their traditional forms, with the key concepts of this 'new media' being participation and interactivity. He said that society exists in a digital age, where everything in our lives is spread out across as much media as possible and this media is shaped by everyone. Online shopping is emerging very fast in recent years. Nowadays, having websites for businesses is vital now. Since the majority of the consumers are found online, it is essential for businesses to use the online space in creating customers for their products or services. It is extremely easy for anyone to set their own website. It is inevitable for the individual for their performance-based reward where the individual can easily connect large number people at a time through the help of affiliate marketing. Since affiliate marketing is becoming an important source of customer acquisition, a businessman can create a network of affiliate organizations that refer