



THE VALIDITY AND RELIABILITY OF TURKISH VERSION OF THE SOCIAL ISSUES ADVOCACY SCALE

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Abstract

The aim of this study is to examine validity and reliability of the Turkish version of the Social Issues Advocacy Scale (Nilsson, Marszalek, Linnemeyer, Bahner, & Misialek, 2011). The sample of this study consisted of 339 undergraduate students. The results of confirmatory factor analysis indicated that 21 items and four-dimensional social issues advocacy model (Political and Social Advocacy, Political Awareness, Social Issue Awareness, and Confronting Discrimination) model was well fit ($\chi^2= 452.10$, $df= 180$, RMSEA= .067, CFI= .93, IFI= .93, and SRMR= .053). The internal consistency reliability coefficients of the scale were .88, .86, .87, and .87 for, four subscales, respectively. The corrected item-total correlations ranged from .47 to .80. Overall findings demonstrated that this scale had high validity and reliability scores.

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