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PERSONALITY AND RELIGIOSITY: A CORRELATIONAL STUDY

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ABSTRACT

52 college going students of Jalgaon were administered Big Five personality inventory by Costa and McCrae, and religiosity scale by Janbandhu. The study was designed to measure strength of association between five factors of personality and religiosity. It was hypothesized that, religiosity is negatively related with extraversion, openness, agreeableness and conscientiousness; while relationship between religiosity and neuroticism is positive and significant. Data were treated by mean, standard deviation and product moment correlation. Strong positive relationship was found between neuroticism and religiosity; extraversion and religiosity were negatively related. Though not strong but negative and significant relationship was found between religiosity and openness. Agreeableness and conscientiousness were poorly associated with religiosity.

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