## **ABSTRACT**

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The objectives of this research were intended to find out types of learning style preferences of the students of SMA Somba Opu and the different types of learning style between male and female students.

The method of this research was a descriptive qualitative. The subject of this research was the first year students of SMA Somba Opu consisted of 14 male and 14 female students. The instrument of this research was Visual, Auditory, Reading or Writing and Kinesthetic on questionnaire consisted within 15 items.

This research used total sampling technique. The data were analyzed qualitatively. The research findings indicated that the first year of SMA Somba Opu were dominantly chose trimodal category (Visual, Auditory and Reading or Writing) more than other category which was indicated by the data of 35%. The different learning styles preferred by male and female students tri-modal which was indicated 42% namely VAR the higest presented 35% was mostly chosen by male, while female students dominantly chose multimodal 35% (Visual, Auditory, Reading or Writing and Kinesthetic).

**Keywords:** Learning style, types of learning style, male and female students' learning style