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This study is based on the students' problems in pronunciation. The students of English Language department IAIN Walisongo have got English Phonology at third semester. The researcher wants to knows whether it inluences the students' achievement of pronunciation or not. Then, the researcher stated some research questions as follows:

- 1. How is the students' achievement of English phonology?
- 2. How is the students' achievement of pronunciation?
- 3. Is there any influence of the students' achievement of phonology toward their pronunciation?

The purpose of this study is to find out the students' achievement of English Phonology and Pronunciation as well as the influence of English Phonology and Pronunciation. This study uses a quantitative approach as the method of this research. The *Regression Analysis* technique is employed to calculate the students' score to know the students' achievement of Phonology and their pronunciation and to find out the influence between those two variables. It was conducted at the fourth semester of English Language Education Department of IAIN Walisongo Semarang in Year 2013. The main technique of collecting data in this research is test, Phonology and Pronunciation test. Phonology test is written and pronunciation test is oral.

It was found that the highest score of English phonology is 11, the total score is 604 and the average is 7.457. The average of students' score of pronunciation is 76.28 with the highest score is 86 and the total score is 6179.

The researcher found the correlation between these two variables, English Phonology and Pronunciation, and the result is 0.338. After consulting the result to the table of r Product Moment

with the number of subject (N) = 81 and significance level 5% and  $r_{table}$  is 0.220, because  $r_{xy} > r_{table}$ , it means significant, so it was found that there is correlation between these variable with category "Low Correlation".

From the result of regression analysis, it was known that the result is 10.17. After consulting it with  $F_{table}$ , on the significant level 5%, it was known that  $F_{reg} = 10.17 > F_{table} = 3.98$ . Then, the hypothesis was accepted that there was positive influence between students' achievement of phonology toward their pronunciation.

Keyword: Influence, Achievement, English Phonology, pronunciation.

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