




Sociological Investigation of Factors Influencing Extramarital Relationships in Couples from Bandar Abbas

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The study's theoretical underpinning could be strengthened by more explicitly connecting its findings with existing theories of marital infidelity and social disorganization. This would provide a deeper understanding of how the identified factors fit within broader sociological theories.

While the grounded theory method is appropriate, further details on the selection criteria for participants and the rationale behind the choice of 19 participants would enhance the study's replicability and reliability.

The study offers valuable insights into the Iranian context, but a discussion on the applicability of findings to other cultural settings would be beneficial. This could involve comparing factors influencing extramarital relationships in Iran with those in other cultural contexts.

The conclusion could be expanded to suggest specific areas for future research, such as longitudinal studies to examine the long-term effects of identified factors on marital relationships or comparative studies across different cultures.

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1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

The discussion section would benefit from a more critical analysis of how the study's findings align or contrast with previous research. This could involve a deeper exploration of the implications of the findings for understanding marital infidelity in a sociocultural context.

Given the study's focus on sociological factors, it would be valuable to outline more concrete implications for policy and practice. This could include recommendations for marital counseling approaches or community-based interventions to address the root causes of extramarital relationships.

While the study includes both male and female participants, a more detailed analysis of gender differences in the factors influencing extramarital relationships could provide additional insights. This could help to uncover gender-specific dynamics and their implications for understanding and addressing infidelity.

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