Interest is needed by students in their learning activity because it can motivate them to reach a success. In other words, interest becomes an important thing for students’ learning process in reaching their academic goal. This study concerns with the students’ interest at University of Muhammadiyah Malang. Therefore, the purpose of the study is to investigate the students’ interest in reading English novels.

Research design used in this study was descriptive qualitative. The population of this study was the sixth semester English Department students at University of Muhammadiyah Malang. It consisted of 164 students from 4 classes (A, B, C, and D). The sampling technique that used in this study was a simple random sampling by choosing 10 students (25%) from each class randomly. The total number of the sample was 40 students. The writer collected the data by using a questionnaire as the instrument, and using rating scale and formula for analyzing the data.

Based on the result of the data analysis, it was found that 4 students (10%) were categorized into having very high interest in reading English novels; 33 students (82.5%) were categorized into having high interest; 3 students (7.5%) were categorized into having moderate interest; and no student who was categorized into having low interest in reading English novels. Generally, the students had high interest in reading English novels. It was proved by mean score of 63.63.