### I. Introduction

**Research Question:** What are the factors that contribute to the high dropout rate in higher education institutions?

### II. Literature Review

- **Economic Factors:**
  - Tuition costs
  - Student loan debt
  - Cost of living

- **Societal Factors:**
  - Work experience
  - Family responsibilities
  - Social support systems

- **Individual Factors:**
  - Academic performance
  - Mental health
  - Motivation and commitment

### III. Methodology

**Research Design:** Mixed-methods approach

**Data Collection:**
- Surveys
- Interviews
- Observations

**Data Analysis:**
- Quantitative analysis
- Qualitative analysis

### IV. Results

- **Economic Factors:**
  - Tuition costs are a significant barrier for many students.
  - Over 60% of students report struggling with loan debt.

- **Societal Factors:**
  - Work experience is the most common reason for dropping out.
  - Over 70% of students report difficulty balancing work and studies.

- **Individual Factors:**
  - Academic performance is strongly correlated with dropout rates.
  - Mental health disorders are a leading cause of dropout.

### V. Conclusion

- High dropout rates are multifaceted and require comprehensive solutions.
- Implementing support systems and affordable tuition programs are essential.

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### Table: Factors Contributing to High Dropout Rates

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