

A systematic research gap finding framework: case study of construction management

Abstract

Researchers examine theories and crack the problem when they encounter issues in dealing with an area or activities. Nevertheless they refer to the journals to gain broader knowledge and updated insights of the research when they do not face a particular problem. The aim of this study was to examine reputable journals of construction management appearing in Scopus and ISI and to utilize content analysis to extract their major issues and approaches. The study introduced a systematic approach to find new issues as gaps in the field of construction management. This systematic approach can be used in other areas of study. Within this paper, current issues, the boundaries of knowledge and potential fields of study were recognized.