



the sound. Deeper understanding about pronunciation will help the students to improve skill especially in speaking.

Understanding assimilation also helps students to do communication with the native speaker. Communication is one of the activities that most often do around us. Sometimes the people do not pay attention how the word is produced while they are doing communication. Indirectly, it will make the listener difficult to get the point or our words. Moreover in fast speaking, the communication will not occur. In fact, people often judge someone from the way they speak. For example the students with poor pronunciation may be argued as incompetent, uneducated or lack in knowledge. The way of someone's speaking immediately conveys something about ourselves to the people around us. Such as students with good pronunciation in English are more likely to be understood even if they make errors in other areas, whereas students whose less pronunciation are difficult to understand will not be understood, even if their grammar is perfect. Daniel said that it is important to remember that the pronunciation of English word is not governed by a strict set rules, most word have more than one pronunciation, and the speaker's choice of which to use depends on a wide range of factors. These include of degree of formality, the amount of background noise, the speed of utterance, the speaker's perception of the listener and the frequency with which the



evidences, the phenomenon can observe while students of English Teacher and Education Department are teaching in pre-service teaching class. Many students still have a problem with the fluency in their speaking. This show that there are problems in their speaking. Whether it is influenced by their mother tongue, their pronunciation, or self-confidence factors. English Teacher Education Department in UIN Sunan Ampel does not have specific class for pronunciation. The students of English Teacher Education Department only know a few about pronunciation in phonology class. They do not have a place to practice what they get in phonology. Beside that, UIN Sunan Ampel is the one of university that provides Education Department. It is important to get the best quality of the teacher in the future.

Based on the review above and remember that study of phonology is very essential in language learning. This research wants to analyze types of assimilation in students' speaking performance. The distinguish with the previous study above, this research will focus on non-native speakers or the students of English Teacher Education Department. Furthermore the researcher also wants to classify the assimilation which produced by students of English Teacher Education at speaking class in UIN Sunan Ampel. This study is also purposed for knowing more the causes of students' difficulty in producing assimilation process in their speech..





