CHAPTER V

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

5.1 Conclusions

Based on this research thesis entitled “The Academic Information System of the University of Papua New Guinea”, the following conclusions can be drawn:

1. The development of the web-based Academic Information System of UPNG is effective as it overcomes the problems of time and energy constraints and location, providing a much flexible method of carrying out academic procedures.

2. In terms of admission of non-school leavers, the web-based academic information provides an alternative method of application, making it possible for applicants from other provinces to apply.

3. In terms of payment of fees, the academic information system of UPNG provides an alternative method of payment, other than the regular stand in line process, saving students much time and energy.

4. The academic information system of UPNG provides an alternative method of student enrollment or registration and course selection, overcoming the problem of limited staff and many more students waiting to register.

5. The academic information of UPNG provides an alternative method of learning, allowing lecturers to upload lecture material for their

students to download, overcoming the problem of lecturers missing lecture periods due to being sick or other personal issues.

6. The academic system of UPNG also allows students to have access to their academic results online, saving students much time and energy from personally going to campus to get their academic results.

7. The academic information system of UPNG provides an alumni section where graduated students can have access to their personal data, saving them time and energy from personally going to the campus to obtain their information.

5.2 Suggestions

As the academic system will be used by the large population of students, lecturers and staff of UPNG, it is necessary to make further maintenance on the system to cater for any security flaws and other system errors. In addition to that, as students are more familiar with android devices today, it is suggested that after implementation of the web-based system, an android application be developed to make the academic information system more flexible.