

Investigation of Generation Z's Attitudes Towards Climate Change in the Perspective of Ecological Social Work

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