

## **Abstract**

The bachelor's thesis "*Media portrayal of the Pentagon Papers affair in The New York Times, Rudé právo and The Times*" focuses on the events related to the Pentagon Papers affair from mid-1971, specifically the analysis of newspaper texts on the topic. The problem of this scandal is captured in the period before its revelation (from May 31 to June 13, 1971), two weeks after its disclosure in June (from June 13 to June 30, 1971), and up to mid-July (from July 1 to July 14, 1971). Within the theoretical part of the thesis, the concept of propaganda is explained, along with an introduction to the newspapers themselves, their history, and contemporary characteristics. Subsequently, the historical-political context of the Pentagon Papers affair is explained, including a brief background on the Vietnam War and two key figures and their role in revealing the report to the public. During the comparative analysis of the newspapers *The New York Times*, *Rudé právo*, and *The Times*, the topics, content of texts, lexical level of articles, as well as the style of presentation and news value of individual contributions are monitored. The aim of the thesis is to create a comprehensive overview of the different processing of the identical scandal by newspapers with different tendencies, caused not only but primarily by the circumstances of the Cold War.