ABSTRACT

The topic of the bachelor thesis is a young adult with stuttering. The bachelor thesis is divided into theoretical and empirical parts. The theoretical part contains three chapters. The theoretical background of the thesis was prepared by a research of Czech and foreign literature and electronic information sources. The first chapter defines stuttering, then describes the etiology, symptomatology and classification of stuttering. In the second chapter attention is paid to speech therapy intervention in stuttering. Speech diagnostics of stuttering and speech therapy for stuttering are described in more detail in two subchapters. The third theoretical chapter presents current research on stuttering in adults. These researches were conducted in the Czech Republic and abroad. The theoretical part is followed by the empirical part, which is presented in the fourth chapter. The main aim of the empirical part of the bachelor thesis is to identify and describe the life course of a young adult with stuttering. In order to fulfil the aim of the thesis a qualitative research method was chosen. A case study was used as the main research design for the research investigation. The main methods of collecting relevant data to construct a case study of a young adult with stuttering were document analysis, observation, and semi-structured interview. The objectives of the study were met and the research questions were successfully answered. The bachelor thesis provides deep insight into the life of a young adult with stuttering and can be useful to the professionals as well as the lay public.