

Abstract

The bachelor's thesis entitled "On motivation to study nursing at university" deals with the motivation of students of General and Pediatric nursing. **Objectives:** The aim of this study is to find out the motivation of the respondents, students of the bachelor study program for the preparation of general nurses to study at the university. In the **theoretical part** of the bachelor's thesis, individual chapters related to the given issue are elaborated. Key terms such as motivation and motives are described, and the study marginally deals with the history of higher education in nursing, the current education of general nurses and related legislation. The **empirical part** of the study presents the results of the own research and their comparison with the results of studies on the same or similar topic. **Methods:** In order to achieve the aim of work, a questionnaire survey was carried out, the target group of which was students of the 2nd and 3rd years of General and Pediatric Nursing. 246 completed questionnaires were included in the survey itself. **Results:** Based on the statistical evaluation of the data, it was found that 43,09 % of respondents are studying because of the need for a degree to practice their profession, and 64,23 % of respondents are also working while studying. 76,02 % of the respondents would choose a bachelor's degree in nursing for their studies again, but only 15,85 % of them would definitely choose the same university. **Conclusion:** The issue of motivation in relation to the education of general and children's nurses is extensive, and in the future a more detailed analysis of the given topic could be carried out, and it seems advisable to address secondary school students as well.