

## **ABSTRACT**

The bachelor's thesis *Same-sex Marriage in Czech republic: legislative Context and public attitudes* deals with same-sex marriage in the Czech Republic, focusing on the current legislative status and public attitudes. The study also examines how the positions of political parties could influence legislative processes concerning the legal recognition of same-sex unions.

The first part of the thesis is devoted to the historical development of homosexuality in the Czech Republic and the current legal regulation of registered partnerships, comparing it with marriage. It also provides an overview of the current situation in other European countries. The empirical part analyses current public attitudes and society's readiness for legalizing marriage for all.

The thesis also examines the election programs of political parties from 2021 and their stance on this issue, exploring the differences between liberal and conservative approaches. The conclusions of the research indicate a growing acceptance of same-sex unions by the Czech public, but at the same time reveal deep ideological differences between political parties. Based on the analysis of election programs and positions, it is evident that the issue of same-sex marriage divides the political spectrum, reflecting broader social changes and the dynamics of the perception of family.

The research suggests that Czech society is open to equalizing the rights of same-sex couples, even though political decisions have not yet reflected this development. The thesis contributes to a deeper understanding of this topic. It provides an objective view of the current debate on same-sex marriage in the Czech social and political context.

## **KEYWORDS**

A same-sex couple, marriage, registered partnership, homosexuality, public opinion, election programme