Abstract

The bachelor's thesis deals with the motivation of the elderly to participate in education. The thesis aims to identify the motivation of the elderly to study at the Virtual University of the Third Age. The work first focuses on defining aging and old age, the periodization of old age, and terms for older people. It will also discuss the importance of education in the lives of the elderly and the specifics of education for this age group. Subsequently, attention will be paid to the motivation of the elderly for education and the barriers to educational activities. The work will also focus on institutional education for the elderly emphasizing the Virtual University of the Third Age. The qualitative empirical survey aims to find out what motivates the elderly to study at the Virtual University of the Third Age in Veselí nad Lužnicí. The first semester of VU3V will occur there from January to April 2024. The research method was a semi-structured interview.

Keywords

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