

The thesis deals with the values and motivation of Law Faculty students. It focuses primarily on values and their functions in the personality of a person - motivational as well as other.

In the theoretical part values, relations between values and personality or other motivation elements are considered from various theoretical points of view. Methods for value research and their use in practice are described. The aim of the empirical part is to point out the specific value orientation in Law Faculty students. Their orientation is considerably different from that of ordinary population. It also differs in men and women. A complementary aim of the thesis is to outline characteristics common for law students and lawyers who practice criminal law.

In comparison with ordinary population law students (regardless their gender) have strong preference of social and economic value types and their overall value profile in the Study of Values questionnaire is considerably different, especially in female students. In some value profile characteristics of the Study of Values questionnaire similarities of female law students' and male ordinary population's results, and in law male students' and female ordinary population's results have been found. In the Rokeach Value Survey questionnaire a similarity has been found in five most and five least preferred values of law students' (both male and female).

When compared to practising lawyers' values a number of similar results in both questionnaires have been found. Moreover, these common characteristics were significantly different from those of ordinary male and female population.

Preliminary conclusions and hypotheses based on these differences have been drafted for possible future studies.