

Abstract

The main target of this thesis is the analysis of the contemporary situation and decision making of geography students of the Faculty of Science, Charles University in Prague regarding the topic of living and work. The thesis is divided into two parts, the first one is following the conditions of current students living and settlement preferences of the future places, and then is consequently looking for factors, which are important for the choice of the place for permanent living. The second part investigates the current work integration and analysis the determining factors during the choice of the future employment. Both parts are connected by the target groups of geography students, whose decision making is here described closer.

The research comes out from a questionnaire survey among geography students of the Faculty of Science, Charles University in all years of studies. The results were quantitative evaluated and compared with contemporary trends and results of other surveys. There was confirmed the “neighbourhood” effect, which means, that a person preferences the place or settlement category of own present permanent place of residence. As the most important factors, which influence the choice of “ideal” place of residence evaluated the students job application, accessible living and healthy environment. Regarding the choice of job were between the most important factors: good team, nice work environment and some relationship to the studied branch.

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