

## **Summary**

The thesis deals with the quality of everyday life of the hearing impaired. Part of the text defines the concept of the quality of life and points out the present common problems concerning the life of hearing impaired people. The issues of education, job opportunities, identity and personal realization of a hearing impaired individual in the context of the current view of the quality of life are highlighted. The text also focuses on the heterogeneity of the hearing impaired population and emphasizes their different status in mainstream society relating to the communication code they use. The goal of this thesis is to bring closer the problems of the quality of life of the hearing impaired, with the emphasis on the current problem areas which need further improvement. The practical part contains an analysis and evaluation of a questionnaire survey focused on specific areas of the quality of life quality of the hearing impaired - the qualification, employability, job opportunities and ways of communication. The final part of the practical part contains the commentaries on these reasearch results.

### **Key definitions:**

Quality of life

Hearing impairment

Communication codes

Minority