

Abstract

This Bachelor thesis discusses the relationship between the integration of Muslim immigrants in Great Britain and alleged 'failure of multiculturalism', of which British prime minister talks about on the occasion of his speech in 2011. The thesis is a case study and it focuses on the analysis of the integration policy of Great Britain, especially aimed on the case of Muslim immigrants. The term 'failure of multiculturalism' results from the proposition that the failure of the integration of Muslims associated with the British model of integration. This proposition is based on David Cameron's speech on radicalization of Islamic extremism, presented at the security conference in Munich in 2011. The aim of this work is to confirm or disprove the proposition by using analysis of three chosen indicators of success of integration – mobility in the labour market, political participation and official application of Sharia law in Great Britain. The analysis shows that the failure of Muslim integration cannot be fully confirmed. One reason is the fact that it is necessary to distinguish three areas affected by integration – on socio-economic, civic-political and cultural level. The other reason is the analysis result itself, that none of the integration level can be described as fully unsuccessful. The thesis also offers an outline of the discussions about multiculturalism and possible causes of the general opinion that 'multiculturalism has failed'.