

Abstract

The aim of this thesis is to map and identification of common elements in the lives of individuals who have personal experience of father absence in the family. Another goal is to highlight the different circumstances surrounding this fact and then put them into a wider context.

The theoretical part is devoted to themes of family and also from a historical perspective. There is also a part about the institution of the family, their functions and the role of father. More sophisticated chapter is about the father nurturing the individual. Another important issue are the reasons for the lack of father in the family and their consequences for the child. For purposes of empirical investigation, was chosen quantitative research methods and half – structured interview.

The grounded theory was used for data analysis method. I focused on the following these areas: family background of the individual, social development and the area establishing intimate and partner relationships.