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Bachelor thesis „Roman consulship and its status in the political life of the Byzantine Empire“ deals with the development of consulate in the Eastern Roman Empire between 395 and 641. Thesis tries to identify the role of consulship in Byzantium, its importance and perception thereof by emperors, citizens of Constantinople and the rest of the empire. To that end this thesis utilizes contemporary juridical, narrative and artistic sources. It also focuses on the way in which this magistracy was filled and ultimately merged with imperial dignity.