

Abstract:

The subject of the bachelor's thesis is a theoretical analysis of a maternal behavior. It will rely mainly on a culturological model of an interpretation of a culture on three structural levels (the level of the genus Homo, the level of socio-cultural systems in time and space and the level of an individual). In the first part it focuses on the maternal behavior from an evolutionary perspective, in which the author uses mainly the knowledge and concepts of primatology, evolutionary psychology, comparative psychology and ethology. The goal is to describe the basic principles that are involved in shaping the maternal behavior, especially in humans. The second part works with the knowledge from the field of psychology. The subject is a historical excursion of interest in early mental development of a child in psychology, which significantly influenced the subsequent interest in the child in social and cultural anthropology. The third and final part analyzes motherhood in an intercultural perspective. The author relies on the knowledge from the field of social and cultural anthropology, where she works with both classical works and contemporary studies that deal with this issue.