Report on **Bachelor Thesis**

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Title of the thesis:	Occupational regulation and its influence on the labor market: evidence from reforms in the Czech Republic

***OVERALL ASSESSMENT** (provided in English, Czech, or Slovak):*

Please provide your assessment of each of the following four categories. The minimum length of the report is 300 words.

Contribution

This is an interesting and topical issue address in this paper. It uses linear probability and diffirence-in-differences models to analyze the increased educational requirement on nurse salary and employment in the Czech Republic. The results suggest that there is negative effect on nurse's salaries with respect to doctors. However, there is no significant negative effect on employment of nurse compared to doctors. The study contributes to the policy evaluation literature by using appropriate methodologies to analyze the impact of 2004 policy changes in Czech Republic.

Methods

One of the most applied policy evaluation method in the literature is Difference-in-Differences and in this particular topic estimation method fits to the study. Both methods, linear probability and difference-in-differences, seems appropriate for examining the effects of 2004 reforms on nurse salaries and employment in Czech Republic.

Literature

Literature review seems to me very short and only few studies are presented in this section. In my opinion, it would be better to present additional stuties in the literature review for providing deeper understanding of where your research fits in the literature.

Manuscript form

The form of the thesis looks appropriate, however, I would like to mention few things. First, it would be good to have results presented in the introduction part of the thesis. Preferably, before starting to explain the structure of the thesis. Secondly, literature review part needs to be improved in my opinion as I mentioned the reason above.

***SUMMARY OF POINTS AWARDED** (for details, see below): 82*

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CATEGORY		POINTS
Contribution	*(max. 30 points)*	25
Methods	*(max. 30 points)*	30
Literature	*(max. 20 points)*	12
Manuscript Form	*(max. 20 points)*	15
TOTAL POINTS	*(max. 100 points)*	**82**
GRADE	**(1 – 2 – 3 – 4)**	**1**

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EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES AND SCALE:

LITERATURE REVIEW: *The thesis demonstrates author's full understanding and command of recent literature. The author quotes relevant literature in a proper way.*

Strong	Average	Weak
20	10	0

METHODS: *The tools used are relevant to the research question being investigated, and adequate to the author's level of studies. The thesis topic is comprehensively analyzed.*

Strong	Average	Weak
30	15	0

CONTRIBUTION: *The author presents original ideas on the topic demonstrating critical thinking and ability to draw conclusions based on the knowledge of relevant theory and empirics. There is a distinct value added of the thesis.*

Strong	Average	Weak
30	15	0

MANUSCRIPT FORM: *The thesis is well structured. The student uses appropriate language and style, including academic format for graphs and tables. The text effectively refers to graphs and tables and disposes with a complete bibliography.*

Strong	Average	Weak
20	10	0

Overall grading:

TOTAL POINTS	GRADE		
81 – 100	1	= excellent	= výborně
61 – 80	2	= good	= velmi dobře
41 – 60	3	= satisfactory	= dobře
0 – 40	4	= fail	= nedoporučuji k obhajobě