

## ABSTRACT

Thesis Title : Factors Affecting Decision to Work or Further the  
Graduate Study of the Bachelor Degree Graduate at the  
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The purposes of the research were to know the number of persons who join the workforce and persons who further the study and to investigate factors affecting decision to work or further the graduate study of the bachelor degree graduate at the Faculty of Economics, Ramkhamhaeng University. Samples of 308 bachelor degree graduates at the Faculty of Economics, Ramkhamhaeng University were selected by using the standardized questionnaire.

Logistic regression was employed in analyzing the factors affecting the labor force participation and graduate study of the respondents. It could be summarized from the analysis that the affecting factors consisted of ages, father's occupation, and cumulative grade point average at the statistical significance level of 0.05 as well as mother's revenue at the statistical significance level of 0.01.

The result of this research indicated that the following factors : father's occupation (state enterprise and private sector), cumulative grade point average, and mother's revenue are those affecting the sample group to decide to further his/her study rather than join the labor force. Whereas, the factor; ages; brought about the decision to work rather than further the study.