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The purposes of this study were to study 1) opinions concerning the usefulness of career subjects of terminal graduates in academic year 1993 from schools under the Expansion of Basic Education Opportunity Project under the jurisdiction of the Office of the National Primary Education Commission, the eastern seaboard development area and 2) coincidences between teaching career subjects in schools and the terminal graduates' daily life application of what they had studied according to the eastern educational development plan. Data collection was divided into two phases. The first one was the primary data collection and the second one was collecting data from 381 questionnaires given to the terminal graduates in academic year 1993. Frequency distribution, percentage, mean and standard deviation were used to analyze the data. Tables and charts were used to illustrate the analysis.

The findings were that:

1. Opinions concerning the usefulness of career subjects towards various kinds of jobs: manufacturing, services, production supplements and services and others, their usefulness is at the low level. And in terms of opinions on the usefulness of career subjects given by most terminal graduates, on average, they agreed that the subjects were less useful as well as in details, it was found that 54 career subjects, 63.53 %, were less useful followed by 21 subjects, 24.71 %, were averagely useful and 6 of them, 7.06 %, were the least useful.

As for the application, 66.67 % of the graduates did not put what they had studied into practice while 33.24 % of them did. 25.99 % of the graduates applied what they had learnt in improving their lives, 2.65 % in their freelance careers, 2.60 % in their labor careers and 0.66 % in their parents' careers.

2. Regarding teaching of career subjects in schools, 46.67 % of them did not apply what they had studied in their career because it was not in line with their current careers and did not coincide with the eastern educational development plan.

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