THESIS TITLE: OCCUPATIONAL PROMOTION FOR THE SLUM DWELLERS

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## **ABSTRACT**

The specific objectives of this study are to: 1) determine the demographic and socio-economic characteristics of the people in Non Nongwat 2 Community; 2) identify the problems and needs for occupational promotion; 3) determine an appropriate intervention for promoting occupations in the community. Data for this study were collected from an interview of 30 persons. The data were collected both before and after the administration of an intervention. The scope of this study is to analyze the socio-economic problems and occupational needs of the members of the community. The intervention comprised of occupational training, organizing community members and development fund.

It was found that:

- 1) as a result of knowledge and occupational skills gained from the intervention, the level of family income of members of Nongwat 2 Community increased considerably;
  - 2) the community was able to establish a community development fund;
- 3) the quality of life of the members of community, as measured by socio-economic and environmental conditions, improved notably; and

- 4) the intervention introduced in this study was in accordance with the needs of the community members and had a potentiality for being successfully replicated in other communities.
- 5) the differences in incomes, expenses, nature of the problems and needs for occupational promotion during the time before and after the completion of the intervention were statistically significant at 0.05 level.