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CAUSES IN DROPPING OUT OF STUDENTS IN SHORT VOCATIONAL CURRICULUM,
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The purposes of this research were to Study the general conditions of the Student's dropout in the Institute for Skill Development, the causes of the dropout as well as to analyse the relationship between the conditions and the causes of the dropout. The Subjects were 250 dropout students in Short Vocation Curriculum in Samutprakarn Polytechnic College. A self-constructed questionnaire was used to Collect data. Statistics used were percent, arithmetic mean, standard deviation, Chi-Square and Cramer's correlation.

The results of the research were:

1. The age of the dropout Students was between 25-29 years. The educational level was at M.1-M.3 MS.1-MS.3. They were single and worked with private sectors earning about 3,001-4,000 baht. Most of the dropouts were students in the field of Home Economic.

2. Results of the study indicated the important cause of the dropout was not the Curriculum, the teacher and their teaching methodology, the services and environment, the teaching and training aids or the evaluation, but it was the student's background. The item that showed the high level of cause was having no adequate time for studying because of working. It's important was at the max level.