C 143266: MAJOR SOCIAL, PSYCHOLOGY

KEY WORD: COOPERATIVE BEHAVIOR/GAME REWARD STRUCTURE/ BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

UNDERGRADUATES

ITTISAK INTRAPRASIT: A STUDY OF COOPERATIVE BEHAVIOR WITH THE

ITTISAK INTRAPRASIT: A STUDY OF COOPERATIVE BEHAVIOR WITH THE USE OF GAME REWARD STRUCTURE AMONG BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION UNDERGRADUATES. THESIS ADVISOR: ASSO.PROF. YOTHIN SANSANAYUDH, PH.D., THESIS CO-ADVISOR: JARUNGKUL BURAPAVONG. 192 PP. ISBN 974-582-818-1 ***

The purpose of this research was to study cooperative behavior of freshmen and senior business administration undergraduates. In the experiment, the non-matrix type of the Prisoner's Dilemma game reward structure with 3 kinds of response condition: cooperative, compettitive and TIT-FOR-TAT, was used.

The results show that there are significant differences (p < .001) between cooperative behaviors of freshmen and senior students in every kind of response condition. However, further analysis reveals that among the freshmen, cooperative behavior in both the cooperative and TIT-FOR-TAT response conditions are significantly higher (p< .05) than in the competitive condition. The cooperative behavior in the cooperative condition do not differ significantly from that in the TIT-FOR-TAT condition. For the senior students, there are no differences in cooperative behavior among the three kinds of response condition.