

Thesis Title            AN ANALYSIS OF MASTER THESES IN NURSING IN THAILAND  
FROM ACADEMIC YEAR    1974 TO 1984

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#### Abstract

The objective of this research is to Analyse the Master theses in Nursing in Thailand concerning research problems, research objectives, explication of concepts and/or theories, research methodologies, data collection, Demography and population sampling, and tabulations used for data analysis. The total number of Master theses analysed were 264 accomplished during 1974 to 1984 by Master students in Nursing Administration of Chulalongkorn University, and in Nursing and Public Health Nursing of Mahidol University. Research tool used for data collection was the survey and classification type constructed by the researcher, pretest and content validity were confirmed. The data gathered were analysed by the methods of frequency distribution and percentage.

#### Research Findings

1. Status of the thesis researchers was that the majority were the nurses from educational division and the subsequence were the nurses from services division.

2. The Master theses in Nursing were predominantly the research studies on nursing practice with the studies on problem of nursing administration and nursing education came next in sequence.

3. Subject contents of the Master theses in Nursing on the area of nursing education concerned successively with the nursing administration and teaching-learning environment.

4. Subject contents of the Master theses in Nursing on the area of nursing administration involved mostly with the matter of personnel ensuing with these of the patterns and/or organisation management.

5. Subject contents of the Master theses in Nursing on the area of nursing practice concerned predominantly with the matter of nursing techniques following successively with these of the teaching/guidance, and the self-practice/adaptation/self-care of the persons.

6. Regarding the benefits of the Master theses in Nursing on the area of nursing practice concerning the scope of health works of the nurses, it was found that most were beneficial for curing works with the works of health promotion came next in line; whereas it was found according to the specific field of the nursing that most were beneficial for medicine nursing with obstetric nursing came next in rank.

7. The overall Master theses in Nursing were indeed the applied research that most had specific aims for Discovering relationships among facts or Explanatory Research.

8. The majority of the Master theses in Nursing touched upon the concepts and/or theories which were chiefly the social and/or behavioral sciences following consecutively with the medical science.

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9. The Master theses in Nursing utilised for the most part the descriptive research methodology which was mainly the survey and comparative study.

10. Most of the research tools employed for data collection for the Master theses in Nursing were the questionnaires self-constructed by the researchers. As for the quality inspection, most were the validity and accuracy tests.

11. The majority of the Master theses in Nursing were the studies on the population and/or samples which were the persons who for the most part possessed the status of patients in the hospitals. As regards the sampling methods, most were the specific sampling.

12. The tabulations employed for data analysis were mainly the single and double variables-oriented statistical analysis.