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The main purposes of this research were to study and compare academic activities in clinical areas performed by staff nurses in Governmental Hospitals, Bangkok Metropolis. The research instrument was a set of questionnaire which was developed and tested for validity and reliability by researcher.

The major findings were as follows.

1. The academic activities of staff nurses, in over all, were in moderate level. The self discovery activities and nursing research activities were identified as low level.
2. There were no statistically significant difference at .05 level of academic activities as classified by jurisdictions, working units and nursing experiences.
3. There was a statistically significant difference at .05 level of academic activities as classified by professional values. The ones who hold high professional values had more mean score than ones who hold moderate and low professional values
4. The staff nurses reported the constraint, related to administrative and organization, in performing academic activities as an adequacy of nurses manpower, while inadequacy of research funding was the constraint related to nurses themselves.