PORNSRI JAI-NGAM: RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SELF-ESTEEN AND ENGLISH SPEAKING ABILITY OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION STUDENTS AT THE HIGHER CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION LEVEL. THESIS ADVISOR: ASSO. PROF. SUMITRA ANGWATANAKUL, Ph.D. 174 PP. ISBN 974-581-049-5

The purpose of this study was to investigate the relationship between self-esteem and English speaking ability of physical education students at the higher certificate of education level. The samples were 320 first year physical education majored students in 1990 academic year, 160 males and 160 females, selected from 8 physical education colleges by the multiple-stage random sampling. They were asked to complete the self-esteem inventory and the English speaking ability test. The data were analyzed by means of Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient by using the statistical package for the social sciences - SPSSx program.

## The findings were as follows:

- 1. There was no relationship between self-esteem and English speaking ability of physical education students at the higher certificate of education level at .05 level of significance.
- 2. There was no relationship between self-esteem and English speaking ability of male students at .05 level of significance.
  - 3. There was no relationship between self-esteem and
- English speaking ability of female students at .05 level of significance.