

The purpose of this independent study was to study the students' expenses for studying at Lower Vocational Certificate and Higher Vocational Certificate Levels of Private Vocational School in Mueang District, Chiang Mai Province.

The data was collected by sending out 351 questionnaires to students in Private Vocational School in Mueang District, Chiang Mai province. The students were the Lower Vocational Certificate Level and Higher Vocational Certificate Level students in 3 majors of Commerce and Business Administration, Technics, and Fine Arts. The data was analyzed by SPSS/PC+ program. The statistics used were percentage and frequency and the findings were presented in the form of descriptive presentation. The findings were as followed :

The Lower Vocational Certificate students in the major of Technics had the highest yearly personal expenses of 69,225 Baht. The Higher Vocational Certificate students had the yearly expenses of 80,650 Baht, which was 11,425 Baht higher than the Lower Vocational Certificate students'. Followed by the students in the major of Commerce and Business Administration's expenses. The students who studied in the Lower Vocational Certificate level had the yearly expenses of 54,925 Baht, and the students who studied in the Higher Vocational Certificate level had the yearly expenses of 56,825 Baht, which was 1,900 Baht higher than the Lower Vocational Certificate students'. The students in the major of Fine Arts had the last high personal yearly expenses. The Lower Vocational Certificate level had the yearly expenses of 51,755 Baht, and the students who studied in the Higher Vocational Certificate level had the yearly expenses of 56,775 Baht, which was 5,000 Baht higher than the Lower Vocational Certificate students'. Most of the students in the major of Technics and Commerce and Business Administration's expenses were the personal expenses outside their residence, followed by the personal expenses about the education,

the personal expenses about rental residence and the personal expenses about clothes, clothing and medical care in order. Most of the students in the major of Fine Arts's expenses were the personal expenses about the education, followed by the personal expenses about rental residence and the personal expenses about clothes, clothing and medical care in order.