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TITLE: THE RESEARCH OF THE OPINONS OF THE INSRUCTORS WHO WORK AT VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOLS ABOUT TEACHING PROFESSION

ABSTRACT

The aim of survey is to determine the attitudes of instructors about teaching in vocational high schools of Adnan Menderes University, to examine these attitudes according to different variables and also to develop proposals accordingly. The population of survey consists of the faculty members working during 2008-2009 academic year in vocational high schools of Adnan Menderes University. Any sample isn't determined so as to reach whole population. Some techniques were used such as mean, standard deviation, t-test, one way analysis of variance, correlation,kruskal wallis and tukey HSD in the analysis of datum. The following results were achieved according to findings.

- 1- The average of faculty members' attitudes about teaching is at level of agreement with 3.75 average. This level of teachers' attitudes shows that they have positive attitudes towards teaching.
- 2- While the attitudes of faculty members working in vocational high school about teaching differ according to gender variable meaningfully, they don't differ according to other variables significantly.
- 3- There is a meaningful difference among the faculty members' attitudes according to gender and professional priority variable in relation with humanistic intellectual approach.
- 4- There is a meaningful difference among the faculty members' attitudes towards student and learning according to professional priority variable. This difference is in favour of faculty members who have priority during 6-10 years.
- 5- We notice that there is a meaningful difference about the teachers' attitudes towards occupation according to academic qualification variable. This difference is in favour of faculty members between the lecturers and faculty members.
- 6- It is shown that there is a meaningful difference about the faculty members' attitudes towards student and learning according to graduation degree variable. This difference is in favour of graduate degree between associate degree, postgraduate and graduate degree.

KEY WORDS

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