

## **Abstract**

The bachelor thesis deals with the issues of politeness in communication of women and men. The focus is on three types of communication situation, which differ depending on the gender of the communicators: 1) communicators are only women, 2) communicators are only men, 3) communicators are both men and women.

The theoretical part of the thesis deals with delimiting communication, politeness concepts and social roles. The work is delimited towards Grice's cooperative principle in relation to Leech's concept of politeness. The aim of the bachelor thesis is to compare the theory and the approach of individual linguists with real displays of politeness in common communication on the basis of a questionnaire. Special attention is given to the characteristic of language devices used in polite communication; the use of language devices by males and females is compared.

An integral component of the work is correlating the differences in the conception as well as in the display of politeness in men and women with the differences in the language perception of the world of a man and a woman.