

ABSTRACT

THE ROLE OF FAMILY COMMUNICATION IN TAKING JOB DECISION OF CHINESE ETHNIC CHILDREN (Study in Chinese Families in Kampung Sawah, Bandarlampung)

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Chinese ethnic is one of many ethnics that recognized by Indonesian government. But in New Order Era the freedom of Chinese society was taken and they accepted unfair treatment in every area of the governmental and social lives. As result, many Chinese people chose Trader as their profession, where this job has been becoming an inheritance to their next generation until now. Meanwhile the Chinese youth have their own thinking to decide their future, moreover profession. Family communication is needed to help them decide their job choice. The purpose of this research was to find out the role of family communication in the taking job decision of Chinese ethnic children.

This is a qualitative research, where it was meant to understand the phenomenon that was experienced by subjects. In analyzing the data, qualitative method has gained both written and recorded descriptive information. The informants were taken from 3 Chinese families as the subject of this research.

The result of this research shows that Chinese people used to choose trader as their professions because the unfair treatment during New Order Era. However the present generation is more open minded to decide their profession. The communication between parents and children were two-ways communication. As last, I conclude that the old and young generation in informants' families had positive attitude, open, empathy, and supported each other when they discuss children's profession choices. The main factors that affected the decision were personal goals, educational background, friends, educational concentration, and hobby.

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