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### **The Role of Specific University Research in Development of Social Work in the Czech Republic**

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#### **Abstract**

Based on the current legislation of the Czech Republic, specific university research is research which is carried out by students in doctoral or master's study programmes and is directly connected with their education. In the Czech Republic, this type of research is part of the national strategy for science and research development, it is supported by the state budget and contributes to creation of conditions for increasing and improving the quality of the scientific-research potential of the Czech Republic. Specific research plays an important role in development of social work – it supports the ongoing discussion on the specifics of research in social work and provides opportunities for application of research skills necessary for social work practice. The aim of this paper is to introduce terminological, legislative, social and economic aspects of specific university research in the Czech Republic and to outline possibilities of its use in relation to research and education in social work. Using an example of an implemented research project, selected features of this type of research with a focus on research didactics are illustrated.

#### **Key words**

Specific research, social work, education