

## An investigation of female Students' attitude toward selfemployment and that's barriers(Case study: Agriculture and Natural Resources students, University of Zabol)

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The main purpose of this study was to investigate Attitude of female students toward self-employment and that's barriers affecting on Self-employment. The statistical population of the study consisted of 1500 agricultural and natural resources students in 2012-2013 academic year of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of Zabol from that 175 students were randomly selected. The research tool was a questionnaire. The research instrument was given to the academic staff of the department of agricultural extension and education to test its content validity. Cronbach alpha was calculated to measure reliability of questionnaire ( $\alpha = 0.76$ ). Data were analyzed using SPSS version 21. Results showed that agricultural students had not a positive attitude toward self-employment. Also, results indicated that Lack of sufficient capital and inappropriate and restrictive laws for starting self-employment are the main barriers affecting on self-employment. The results showed that there wasn't Significant differences in attitudes towards self-employment in undergraduate and graduate students.

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