

Evaluation of Scientific Publications of Faculty Members of Human Sciences Department in Tabriz University during 2002-2007

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Abstract

Purpose: The present research has been accomplished with the purpose of investigating the scientific publications of faculty members of human sciences department in Tabriz University during 2002-2007.

Methodology: The methodology of this research is of survey type. The required data were collected by a questionnaire and statistical methods such as distribution of abundance and percentage of abundance in form of tables and graphs, and χ^2 for analysis of the relationships between variables were utilized. The population under study included 137 faculty members of human sciences department in Tabriz University, among which 106 of them filled the questionnaires.

Findings: The results indicate that the highest percentage of published papers belongs to year 2006, while the highest number of compiled books, publications presented in national and international congresses, and fulfilled research programs pertain to year 2007. Regarding the type of scientific publications in the time interval under study, these publications included 62 compiled books, 28 translated books, 368 original papers in Iranian journals, 17 translated papers in Iranian journals, and 25 original papers published in international journals. Besides, in these years 291 works were presented in national and international congresses and 182 research programs were accomplished. Test of hypotheses shows that there is a significant relationship between the variables of age, gender, scientific position, and the university from which these faculty members have graduated and their scientific publications.

Originality/Value: This study attempts to characterize for the first time the contribution of human sciences department in Tabriz University to scientific publications of Iran.

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