

Abstract

The purpose of this study was to investigate problems on absenteeism of students at Suan Sunandha Rajabhat University (who register for the courses of Science and Technology and Quality of Life in the first semester, 2010) and to solve the students' absenteeism behavior. This research study used a sample of students in the first year from Faculty of Management Science and the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. Data were collected by self administered questionnaires and interviews. The samples were 122 students, who had at least one classroom absence. They were selected by quota sampling. Inferential and descriptive statistics is used to find the mean, frequency and standard deviation. The research results showed that four groups of absentee students were absent 1, 2, 3 and 4 times. The percentage are 20.03, 5.30, 2.17 and 6.00 respectively. The problems of students' absenteeism were due to various factors : traffic jam, the first period began too early, too much time studying and the interval between the first and last period was so long. The intent of this research is to document the problem, provide a summary of interventions for improving student attendance rates in classroom. Some strategies to reduce students absenteeism were then suggested.