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The purpose of this study was to examine the factors that influence attitudes towards prostitution

שיטה:

1. מדגם

351 male undergraduate students from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas and 260 male undergraduates from the University of British Columbia.

2. משתנים

The independent variables for this study were geographic location (UNLV or UBC), ethnicity, religion and religiosity.

Dependent variables included responses to the attitudes on prostitution questionnaire

3. כלים

For this study there were 30 items from the attitudes towards prostitution scale as well as six sexual experience items that were used in addition to demographic information on ethnicity, religion, and religiosity. The demographic information collected includes; age, gender, year in school, religion, marital status, sexual orientation, length of residency, etc.

ממצאים מרכזיים:

While the raw number of purchasers (n=13) at UNLV was higher than UBC (n=8) the proportions were nearly the same (3.7% to 3.1%, respectively) and not statistically different.

Over half (51%) of the students at UNLV agreed to their son visiting a prostitute, while only 8% of UBC students agreed.

While both groups equally believe that using a prostitute is a break of marriage vows and would not marry someone that was a prostituted woman, UNLV students reported a significant difference in their belief that using prostitutes preserves marriage and is not infidelity.

The questions concerning societal issues with prostitution generated intriguing responses as well. UNLV students appeared to be savvier when it comes to the intricacies of prostitution as they reported much higher agreement that pimps victimize prostitutes by taking their money.

Both groups nearly equally believed that prostitution is wrong, negatively affects the community, and that prostitution causes urban decay.

UNLV students were quick to make moral judgments about prostituted women; the same ones they would allow their sons a visit.

One of the most interesting items dealt with the relative voluntariness that prostituted women have in selling their bodies for sex. Neither group believed prostituted women enjoy sex with Johns, but UNLV students were twice as likely to believe that prostituted women choose to be prostitutes.