The purpose of the study was to find out the level of self-esteem among graduate students. A sample of 50 male and 50 female students of graduate class of Jaipur city was selected by incidental method of sampling. Self-esteem inventory developed by M.S. Prasad and G.P. Thakur was used for collection of data for this study by the researcher. Percentage and Chi-square test were calculated to analysis the data. The study revealed that the maximum students were found with positive self-esteem, very few students were with balanced self-esteem. No significant difference was found between male and female students’ self-esteem.

**Result and Discussion**

The data collected is tabulated and the results obtained are presented under the following headings:

- To study the level of self-esteem of male graduate students.
- To study the level of self-esteem of female graduate students.
- To compare the level of self-esteem of male and female graduate students.

**Hypothesis of the Study**

To study the objectives of the research the following hypothesis has been made:

- There is no significant difference between self-esteem of graduate male and female students.

**Methodology**

**Design of the Study:** Descriptive survey method was used in the present study.

**Sample:** The sample consists of 100 students (50 male and 50 female) from graduate class of Jaipur City. The Incidental sampling method has been used for selection of the sample.

**Tools & Techniques of Data Collection:** Self-Esteem Inventory developed by M.S. Prasad and G.P. Thakur was used for data collection in the study.

**Statistical techniques used:** Percentage and Chi-square test were calculated to analyze the data.

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<th>S.N.</th>
<th>Levels of Self Esteem</th>
<th>N</th>
<th>Percentages</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Positive Self-estimate</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>64%</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Negative Self-estimate</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>28%</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Balanced Self-estimate</td>
<td>04</td>
<td>08%</td>
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After the analysis of data, it is revealed that 64% male graduate students are showing positive level of self-esteem, it is indicated that they are highly confident in self-esteem, highly self-respected, negative level of self-esteem is found in 28% male graduate students and only 8% of male graduate students having balanced level of self-esteem.
To study the level of self-esteem of female graduate students.

To fulfill the research objective, the tool was administered to the female graduate students by the researcher. The self-esteem at different levels of self-esteem of female graduate students are shown in Table 2.

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<td>Positive self-esteem</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>54%</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Negative self-esteem</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>42%</td>
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<td>04%</td>
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After the analysis of above results, it is revealed that 54% female graduate students are showing positive level of self-esteem, it means that they are found highly confident in self-esteem, highly self-respected on the basis of statistical result. 42% female graduate students are showing negative level of self-esteem, and balanced level of self-esteem is found in only 4% female graduate students.

To compare the level of self-esteem of male and female graduate students.

To compare the level of self-esteem between male and female graduate students, the researcher analysis the data and results are presented in the table -3:-

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<tr>
<th>S.N.</th>
<th>Levels of Self Esteem</th>
<th>Male</th>
<th>Female</th>
<th>(\chi^2) Value</th>
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<td>Positive self-esteem</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>2.49</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Negative self-esteem</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Balanced self-esteem</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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</table>

The above table exhibits that out of 50 male and 50 female graduate students, 32 male and 27 female students are showing positive level of self-esteem, negative level of self-esteem is found in 14 male and 21 female students and only 4 male and 2 female students are showing balanced level of self-esteem respectively. After the analysis of data, the result reveals that it is clearly indicated that in comparison of male students, positive level of self-esteem is found in less number of female students. Further, the result shows that calculated Chi-square value is found 2.49, which is not significant at 0.05 level of significance. On the basis of statistical result, the hypothesis is accepted that there is no significant difference between self-esteem of graduate male and female students.

Conclusion

64% male and 54% female students of graduate class were found with positive self-esteem. The result concluded that maximum students (both male and female students) of graduate class were found highly confident and highly self-respected and very few students were found with balanced self-esteem. The researcher calculated chi-square value to study the significance difference between male--self-esteem of male and female graduate students and found chi-square value 2.49, which is not significant at 0.05 level of significance. The statistical value concluded that no significant difference was found between the level of self-esteem of male and female graduate students.

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