

Physical Development and Social Status in University Students in 1980s

R. Stoev, L. Yordanova

*Institute of Experimental Morphology, Pathology and Anthropology with Museum,
Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia*

The purpose of this paper is to light the connections between social conditions and physical development in young adults. Data, collected in 1986 from university students in Sofia are analyzed. Although the university students are not random sample of all Bulgarian society and social differentiation in them will be rather smoothed, the analysis discovers significant social differentiation in the physical development of these students, including differences in age at menarche, height, body mass index, somatotype.

Key words: University students, age at menarche, height, body mass index, somatotype.