

## ABSTRACT

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This final project is based on the study which attempted to examine *Prostitution and Social Class Discrimination Reflected in Garry Marshall's Pretty Woman*. The main purpose of the study was to find out the factors that cause somebody to become a prostitute, social class discrimination and its effects in our society that reflected in *Pretty Woman* film.

The object of this study is the film entitled *Pretty Woman* directed by Garry Marshall. The data of this study are in the forms of scenes taken from the video, phrases, sentences, paragraphs, dialogues in the script and hidden meanings found in the film that are related to the topic. The data were collected by means of watching the film, reading the script, searching, identifying, inventorying, and classifying.

The results of the study are: *Pretty Woman* tells about prostitution in Los Angeles but was reconceptualized into a romantic comedy. In this study we discuss about the factors that cause the main character to become a prostitute that is economic factors, physiological factors, and social factors. Another problem that we discuss in this final project report is social class discrimination that appears in this film such as the differences of getting best services, getting respect from other and the power of social class. From the discussion of the problems, I found some effects of social class discrimination reflected in the film that is the existence of social gap and the positive effect is the attitude and mind set change of some characters that in this film they become more respectful and better in enjoying their life. From the data analysis, I may conclude that everything has its own reasons, like the main character in this film; she has her own reasons why she does prostitution. Second, there is lots of social class discrimination that happen in our society and its effects have different contribution to every people.

Based on the results of the study, some suggestions are offered. *Firstly*, it is for the readers, especially all English Department students. This study is expected to give motivation for the readers to learn more about literary works, which is specially related to sociological analysis to broaden their knowledge. *Secondly*, I hope that this study can be one of the references for those who have interest in analyzing literary work especially the one that focuses on similar topic. *Thirdly*, I also expect that this film can be used as one of alternative subjects in literary class because it gives a motivation for the readers to be better and not underestimate others in their real life