

## MODERNIZATION OF EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES BASED ON THE HARMONIZATION OF NATIONAL AND UNIVERSAL VALUES IN THE PROCESS OF EDUCATION AND UPBRINGING

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**Annotation:** is article discusses the theoretical and practical foundations of harmonizing national and universal values in the process of education and upbringing. The urgent aspects of modernizing educational activities and their role in ensuring the spiritual and moral development of the younger generation are analyzed. Particular attention is paid to preserving national identity in the context of globalization and developing such qualities as humanism, tolerance, and patriotism.

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### Introduction

Today, the processes of globalization and informatization are exerting a strong influence on human thinking, worldview, and the system of social relations. In particular, the issue of the spiritual and moral upbringing of the younger generation is becoming one of the most important and urgent directions of the modern education system. This is because the development of any society is determined primarily by the maturity of well-rounded, enlightened youth who understand their national identity and respect universal values.

Education and upbringing are social processes that are closely interconnected. While education enriches a person’s consciousness, upbringing shapes their heart and spirit. Therefore, in the education system, it is increasingly necessary not only to provide knowledge but also to enrich the spiritual world of young people and cultivate high human qualities in them. This, in turn, requires the modernization of educational activities on the basis of modern demands.

National values are closely connected with the traditions, customs, spiritual heritage, historical memory, and culture that have developed over centuries among a people. Universal values include principles recognized by all humanity, such as human rights, justice, peace, tolerance, and humanism. The harmony of these two directions plays an important role in the development of the individual. Relying only on national values may lead to a narrow worldview, while relying solely on universal values may result in the loss of national identity.

From this point of view, harmonizing national and universal values in the modernization of educational activities is becoming one of the priority tasks of modern pedagogy. Today’s educator is required to possess not only deep knowledge but also high spirituality, a broad worldview, and an innovative approach. Indeed, the development of New Uzbekistan is directly linked to the upbringing of spiritually mature, independently thinking, and patriotic youth.

### **The Essence of National and Universal Values**

Values are our spiritual wealth that occupies an important place in human and social life. They determine a person's attitude toward life, moral views, and social behavior. National values are formed during the historical development of a people and reflect the spiritual image of the nation. Respect for elders, kindness toward the young, hospitality, compassion, patriotism, and honor are among the ancient values of the Uzbek people.

Universal values encompass noble human qualities common to all peoples. Respect for human rights, peace, tolerance, ecological culture, justice, and human freedom belong to this category. These values are recognized by the international community and are regarded as important factors in the progress of humanity.

National and universal values are not contradictory; on the contrary, they complement and enrich one another. Their harmony forms an important pedagogical foundation for the upbringing of a harmoniously developed individual.

### **The Relevance of Modernizing Educational Activities**

In modern society, the sharp increase in the flow of information is causing various ideological influences to penetrate the minds of young people. Internet networks, mass culture, and virtual communication may, in some cases, negatively affect the spiritual world of youth. Therefore, organizing educational work in educational institutions on the basis of modern methods is becoming an important task.

The modernization of educational activities includes the following directions:

- application of innovative pedagogical technologies;
- use of interactive methods;
- organization of spiritual and educational events in modern forms;
- formation of media culture;
- teaching young people independent and critical thinking;
- upbringing in the spirit of loyalty to national values.

Today, limiting the educational process only to advice and instruction is not effective. To influence the consciousness of young people, it is necessary to effectively use modern pedagogical approaches, psychological and interactive methods, as well as digital technologies, because the views of today's youth are also modern.

### **Pedagogical Foundations for Harmonizing National and Universal Values**

Ensuring the harmony of values in the education system is an important component of pedagogical activity. In this process, it is necessary to take into account students' age characteristics, psychological state, and social environment.

The effective inculcation of national values can be achieved through the wide use of folklore, national literature, historical heritage, and the life and work of great ancestors. In particular, the activities of historical figures such as Alisher Navoi, Amir Temur, and the Jadid enlighteners are of great importance in youth upbringing.

At the same time, promoting universal values helps develop feelings of humanism, tolerance, and compassion in young people. This contributes to fostering respect for representatives of different nations and cultures and to appreciating peace and harmony.

When organizing educational activities, a pedagogue should adhere to the following principles:

1. Harmony of nationality and modernity;
2. Personality-oriented approach;
3. Unity of spirituality and innovation;
4. Continuity and consistency;
5. Principle of activity and cooperation.

An educational process organized on the basis of these principles serves to strengthen the spiritual immunity and scientific potential of young people.

### **The Role of the Spiritual Environment in Youth Upbringing**

The cooperation of the family, neighborhood community, and educational institution plays a special role in the upbringing of the younger generation. Upbringing is not solely the responsibility of schools or higher educational institutions. The environment within the family, the spiritual level of parents, and social relations in society play an important role in a child's development.

In a society with a healthy spiritual environment, young people strive for goodness and grow up with love for the Motherland and respect for people. Therefore, strengthening cooperation among the "family–community–educational institution" is regarded today as one of the priority directions of state policy.

In addition, organizing young people's free time meaningfully, developing a culture of reading, and involving them in theaters, museums, and cultural events also increase the effectiveness of educational activities.

### **The Importance of Innovative Approaches in Educational Activities**

Modern pedagogy today requires the wide application not only of traditional methods of upbringing but also of innovative technologies. Multimedia tools, electronic platforms, virtual educational environments, and interactive methods increase students' interest and enhance the effectiveness of educational influence.

For example:

- debates and discussions;
- training sessions;
- project-based activities;
- role-playing methods;
- media education technologies;
- online spiritual and educational platforms.

Through these methods, young people develop skills such as independent thinking, teamwork, problem-solving, and civic responsibility.

Furthermore, the personal example set by the pedagogue is also considered an important factor in modern educational activities, because young people are more effectively educated through practical activity and real-life examples.

### **Conclusion**

In conclusion, harmonizing national and universal values in the process of education and upbringing is one of the important pedagogical necessities of the present time. This harmony serves as an important factor in educating the younger generation to become comprehensively developed, spiritually mature, independently thinking, broad-minded, and patriotic individuals.

The modernization of educational activities requires the widespread introduction of modern pedagogical technologies, innovative methods, and spiritual-educational approaches into the education system. In particular, under conditions of globalization, strengthening the spiritual immunity of young people, protecting them from alien ideas, and preserving national identity remain among the most urgent tasks.

Therefore, promoting national values together with universal principles within the education system, strengthening cooperation among the family, neighborhood community, and educational institutions, and organizing educational activities while considering the spiritual needs of young people are of great importance.

The development of New Uzbekistan is significant because it is in the hands of spiritually mature youth with intellectual potential and high moral qualities. Consequently, the educational process organized on the basis of the harmony of national and universal values serves to strengthen the stable development of society and the foundation of the future.

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