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## **THE IMPORTANCE OF INCREASING THE POLITICAL AND CULTURAL THINKING OF STUDENTS OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**Abstract:** This article discusses the relevance of increasing the political and cultural thinking of higher education students. It is important to increase the political and cultural literacy of higher education students in the comprehensive development of society, especially in active participation in democratic processes. In the article, special attention is paid to the analysis of the importance of developing students' political and cultural knowledge for society, the role of educational institutions in the formation of modern worldview and personality. Each youth serves to strengthen the knowledge and skills related to the political-legal system and cultural values, and to increase their social and spiritual activity. The article also discusses the directions of developing political and cultural thinking of students through innovative methods and new pedagogical methods in the educational system.

**Key words:** Higher education, political thinking, cultural thinking, youth, democracy, educational system, pedagogical methods, social activity, knowledge and skills, personality development, democratic processes.

## **ВАЖНОСТЬ ПОВЫШЕНИЯ ПОЛИТИЧЕСКОГО И КУЛЬТУРНОГО МЫШЛЕНИЯ СТУДЕНТОВ ВЫСШИХ УЧЕБНЫХ ЗАВЕДЕНИЙ**

**Аннотация:** В данной статье рассматривается актуальность повышения политического и культурологического мышления студентов высших учебных заведений. В условиях всестороннего развития общества,

особенно в активном участии в демократических процессах, важно повышать политическую и культурную грамотность студентов высших учебных заведений. В статье особое внимание уделяется анализу значения развития политических и культурных знаний студентов для общества, роли образовательных учреждений в формировании современного мировоззрения и личности. Каждая молодежь служит укреплению знаний и навыков, связанных с политико-правовой системой и культурными ценностями, повышению их социальной и духовной активности. В статье также рассматриваются направления развития политического и культурного мышления студентов посредством инновационных методов и новых педагогических методов в системе образования.

**Ключевые слова:** Высшее образование, политическое мышление, культурное мышление, молодежь, демократия, система образования, педагогические методы, социальная активность, знания и навыки, развитие личности, демократические процессы.

The urgency of increasing the political and cultural thinking of students of higher education is one of the most important issues in our society, which is becoming more complex day by day. Well-educated and active political and social persons, young people with comprehensively developed cultural and moral values serve as the main factor in shaping the development of society and its socio-political environment. In today's globalized and rapidly changing world, for the sustainable development of society, young people, especially students of higher education, should have not only scientific knowledge, but also political and cultural outlook.

Understanding the political-legal system and cultural values, active participation in solving the problems of today, making reliable decisions in democratic processes will help to increase the social activity of young people. Also, educational institutions assume an important task and responsibility in forming the personal, social and political outlook of students. Institutions of

higher education should set a strategic direction aimed not only at imparting knowledge in science and technology, but also at developing political and cultural thinking of students.

Increasing students' political and cultural thinking serves to form their sense of social responsibility, their attitude to democratic rights and freedoms. As a result, young people, in turn, will have the necessary knowledge and skills to react to social and political processes in society and participate in them. The goal is not only to provide students with modern knowledge, but also to improve their moral and political culture. This will eventually become the foundation of society's stability, its economic and social development.

It is necessary to clearly determine the place of each person in society and to enable active participation in democratic processes, to combine political and cultural knowledge in the education and training system. Institutions of higher education, namely universities and institutes, should feel the responsibility to develop sound pedagogical methods, innovative methods and modern curricula in the direction of increasing the political and cultural literacy of young people.

Also, today, young people, especially students of higher education, actively participate in the political and cultural life of society in various directions. They participate in various political, social and cultural measures and contribute to the social development of the country. In this case, students' knowledge of critical thinking and youth rights will be the main helper in their deeper education and orientation towards active democracy.

From this point of view, the policy of higher education institutions is of great importance in increasing the political and cultural thinking of students. Of course, they should not only provide knowledge in the field of science and technology, but also provide students with the skills they need in life, that is, life knowledge. In this, the importance of educational programs and development of pedagogical processes is undeniable.

In the future, the political and cultural development of students of higher education institutions will make a great contribution to the establishment of democratic values in our society and strengthening of national unity.

The urgency of increasing the political and cultural thinking of higher education students is important for the sustainable development of society, active participation in democratic processes, and solving social problems. In the modern world, young people, especially students of higher education institutions, need not only scientific knowledge, but also political and cultural knowledge. They should have political and cultural thinking in order to be able to actively participate in the democratic life and spiritual-educational processes of the society.

It is very important for higher education institutions to increase the political and cultural literacy of young people. This process is aimed not only at increasing their political and legal knowledge, but also at forming their attitude towards social responsibility, personal values and social stability. Educational institutions should not only provide knowledge about modern science and technology, but should also take a great responsibility to form moral, cultural and political outlook of students.

It also helps to maintain social stability in the society by developing the political and cultural thinking of young people, increasing their critical thinking skills and strengthening their activity in the defense of democracy. In order for the enthusiasm of the new generation in democratic processes and the national commonwealth, to become a well-rounded person, it is necessary for higher education institutions to strive to create a healthy and strong educational system in all respects.

If higher education students have a political and cultural mindset, they will be able to contribute to the social, political and cultural life of society, come up with advanced ideas and propose solutions to global problems. At the same

time, it is important for students to come up with new approaches and directions to solve various social problems in society.

In the future, higher education institutions will serve as important steps for stability and new steps in society by increasing the political and cultural thinking of students, increasing their social activity and expanding democratic values. This lays the foundation for long-term and sustainable development of the society. In this regard, the higher education system should introduce innovative pedagogical methods and prepare students for successful activity in the political, social and cultural spheres.

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