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TENDENCIES IN UNIVERSALIZATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN UKRAINE: TENDENCIES, PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS

The necessity of finding opportunities for transformation and universalization of higher education in Ukraine is described in the article. The main features of current state of higher education in Ukraine are analyzed and described. The main problems in the national system of higher education are defined, which decisions outline the list of strategic areas of its development: downgrade of index of human capital, lack of institutions guaranteeing the formation of state order for training specialists in various disciplines, fragmented knowledge, dispersion of expenses on higher education, ineffective motivational component of a higher school teacher. Areas and features of universalization of higher education are specified. Their main idea is the following: transformation of universities in enters of regional development programming not only in economic but also in social, cultural and ecological sense; formation of a new – innovation and business – model of university; need for revolutionary change of traditional ideas of higher education, which includes the reformation, knowledge associated with the need to “life-long learning”.

Higher education development is one of the key factors of international positioning of Ukraine, when human potential gives an opportunity to place Ukraine among developed countries, whereas by the set of other indicators it belongs to developing countries. Use of society education and human capital quality as leverage will allow Ukraine to keep its place among states able to influence on world processes. Education should help Ukraine to meet the challenges facing it in social and economic spheres considering national security protection and state institutions strengthening.

Universalization of national system of higher education should be aimed at forming of omnifarious knowledge and skills of graduates, their professional and personality characteristics on the basis of interaction and harmonization with elements of university education. Universalization should become apparent in the system character of activity of lecturers and students, holding of theoretical practices and practical trainings, educational, scientific and practical work, scientific methodological, technical facilities and technologies of education.