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# ISSUES OF INCREASING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SPIRITUAL, EDUCATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL WORK AMONG STUDENTS OF HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

(On the example of the Karshi Institute of Irrigation and Agrotechnology)

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#### **Abstract**

This article provides a detailed analysis of the needs for implementing spiritual, educational, and educational work among students of higher education institutions, the reforms implemented in the field, and the activities of the Karshi Institute of Irrigation and Agrotechnologies in this regard.

**Keywords:** "New Uzbekistan", religious extremism, reading, five initiatives, spirituality, theater, innovation, technology.

#### Introduction

Today, one of the urgent tasks in higher educational institutions of the Republic of Uzbekistan is to educate young students in the spirit of loyalty to national and universal values. The spiritual, moral, aesthetic and intellectual development of students is considered an integral part of the process of training mature personnel who will actively participate in the life of society. Fundamental reforms in the field of spirituality and enlightenment are being implemented based on the idea of "New Uzbekistan" put forward by our President.

# **Literature Analysis**

The study of the topic used the works of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, legislative documents, minutes of events held on the topic, periodicals, and materials from the current archive of the Karshi Institute of Irrigation and Agrotechnologies.

## **Methods of Research**

In the process of studying the topic, attention was paid to comparative analysis, systematic analysis of the collected data, and chronological consistency based on the principles of historicity.

## **Research Results**

Spiritual and educational work with young students in higher educational institutions is carried out in the following areas:

- 1. Formation of national and universal values in students.
- 2. Education of students in the spirit of love for the homeland, national pride and patriotism.
- 3. Meaningful organization of youth's free time and involvement in creative activities.
- 4. Prevention of religious extremism, drug addiction and crime.
- 5. Proper use of information technologies and increasing intellectual potential.

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6. Development of a reading culture and organization of educational events [1].

The Department of Youth Work, Spirituality and Enlightenment of the Karshi Institute of Irrigation and Agrotechnologies of the MTU "TIQXMMI" was established on September 4, 2019. Based on its tasks, the department organizes spiritual and educational events held at the institute aimed at educating students in the spirit of boundless devotion to the ideals of national independence, love for the Motherland, faith, courage and selflessness for the great and noble goal of building a free and prosperous country. It also organizes and coordinates various scientific, creative and artistic circles, clubs and gatherings in order to help our talented students and youth develop their knowledge and potential. At the same time, it organizes spiritual and educational work in student dormitories and monitors the spiritual and educational life of the institute's Information Resource Center.

In carrying out the above work, the department works closely with the institute's public organizations, namely the institute's Trade Union, the primary organization of the Youth Union, the Women's Council, the departments of "Humanities", "Mathematics and Natural Sciences", and "General Technical Sciences"[2].

The Department of Youth Work, Spirituality and Enlightenment implements a long-term, large-scale spiritual and moral education program aimed at glorifying human rights and dignity, educating physically healthy, mentally mature, with a deep worldview and independent thinking, through the establishment of democratic principles based on national and universal values among the institute's staff, especially among students.

In order to study the ancient and rich history of our country, widely promote and strengthen it among young people under the slogans "Theater is a place of education", "Journey across the homeland", cultural excursions of professors, teachers and students are constantly being held on the topics "In our memory of ancestors", "Uzbekistan is a paradise land", "Valley of Happiness", "Why do we love Uzbekistan", "On the path of creativity". In particular, on November 8, 2022, in order to organize systematic work to improve the spirituality of young people and widely promote reading among them, a spiritual and educational event was held in collaboration with the employees of the S. Nasafi Regional Information and Library Center on the topic "Book is the Jewel of the Heart". The event was organized in the form of an open dialogue with students. The event was led by the Deputy Director for Scientific Affairs and Innovations H.A. Ravshanov. The event was attended by the Head of the General Service Department of the S. Nasafi Regional Information and Library Center M. Porsiyeva, Head of the Methodology Department Sh. Isayeva, and Head of the Bibliography Department R. Rajabova. Also participating were E. Arabov, head of the "Work with Youth, Spirituality and Enlightenment" department of the Karshi Institute of Irrigation and Agrotechnologies of the National Research University "TIQXMMI", F. Abdinazarova, head of the IRC, tutors, and 258 students and youth. [3].

At the event, students demonstrated their knowledge by participating in a question-and-answer quiz based on works of Uzbek and world literature. Students who actively participated in the quiz were presented with books as a souvenir. The questions asked by the students were answered clearly, briefly and comprehensively by the participants of the event.

During the 2023-2024 academic year, 11 tutors worked at the Karshi Institute of Irrigation and Agrotechnologies of the MTU "TIQXMMI". The activities of the tutors, their planned work are submitted to the "Department of Spirituality and Enlightenment for Work with Youth" in the form of a quarterly report, and the results are submitted to the Republican Spirituality Center in electronic form.

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22 circles have been established at the Karshi Institute of Irrigation and Agrotechnologies of the MTU "TIQXMMI". Of these, 5 are from Sports, 6 from Science, 5 from Language, and 3 from Professional. The total number of club members is 362[4].

The Karshi Institute of Irrigation and Agrotechnologies of the National Research University "TIQXMMI" held events, meetings and various competitions on crime prevention (6 times), on combating corruption (14 times), on visits to cinema museums and theaters in Karshi (56 times), on physical culture and sports (48 times) and on five initiatives (65 times)[5].

Psychological trainings and roundtable discussions held among students served to broaden the worldview of young people.

## **Discussion Results**

There are a number of problems in organizing spiritual and educational work in higher educational institutions:

- 1. Low interest in spiritual and educational activities among students.
- 2. Improper use of technological tools.
- 3. The influence of the social environment and various threats.

To solve these problems, the following measures should be taken:

- 1. Adapting events to the interests and needs of students.
- 2. Improving the skills of teachers and introducing modern teaching methods.
- 3. Conducting cultural events in a more interactive and creative format.

### **Conclusion**

It is necessary to carry out regular and systematic work to strengthen the spiritual and educational education of students in higher educational institutions. Improving the intellectual potential of young people and forming their loyalty to national values plays an important role in the development of Uzbekistan. Therefore, it is necessary to further develop activities in this area, introduce new innovative methods, and provide comprehensive support to young people.

Spiritual and educational work carried out in higher educational institutions in the Kashkadarya region plays an important role in the education of young people. It is necessary to further improve practices in this area and increase efficiency through new approaches. At the same time, it is recommended to organize these events on a larger scale and increase the number of programs aimed at the scientific and creative development of young people.

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