

PARTICIPATION OF STUDENTS AND CADETS IN A SCIENTIFIC AND PRACTICAL CONFERENCE IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES AS THE REALIZATION OF THEIR FOREIGN LANGUAGE COMMUNICATIVE COMPETENCE

Within globalization and integration of Ukraine into the international space, an important aspect of education is the development of foreign language communicative competence of students and cadets. In the conditions of active development of intercultural contacts, nowadays one of the mandatory requirements for the qualifications of modern professionals is the ability to carry out professionally oriented communication in a foreign language [1, c. 28]. One of the most effective ways to implement this competence is participation in scientific and practical conferences where current problems are discussed in various languages. Such participation not only contributes to the improvement of language skills, but also allows students and cadets to develop critical thinking, analytical abilities, as well as to gain experience in international scientific communication.

Foreign language communicative competence is defined as the ability of a person to effectively use a foreign language to communicate in various fields of activity. It includes not only the mastery of grammatical and lexical aspects of the language, but also the ability to adapt language strategies in real communicative situations. Developing communication skills is a necessity, not only for professional work, but also in order to understand what information the interlocutor wants to convey to us [2, c. 190].

According to research, the foreign language competence includes such components as: **1) linguistic component** is mastery of grammar, vocabulary, phonetics of the language; **2) sociolinguistic component** is the ability to use language depending on social norms and context; **3) the discursive component** is the ability to create the text and adapt it for a specific communicative situation; **4) strategies of intercultural communication** include the ability to communicate effectively in a multicultural environment.

Participation in scientific and practical conferences is an important element of professional and language development of students and cadets. Preparation and presentation of scientific reports in a foreign language allow participants not only to demonstrate their knowledge in the chosen field, but also to actively practice speaking skills in an academic context.

Scientific and practical conferences have certain advantages for the development of foreign language communicative competence.

∇ **Expanding vocabulary:** participation in conferences contributes to the enrichment of specialized terminology in a particular field of knowledge.

∨ **Development of communicative skills:** during discussions and presentations, students and cadets improve the ability to argue, keep dialogue and answer questions.

∨ **Intercultural communication:** participation in international events allows students to understand the peculiarities of communication in different cultures and adapt their communication strategies.

Scientific conferences, especially international ones, are often held in foreign languages, which encourages participants to improve their language skills.

Participation in such events requires a high level of language skills, which becomes a necessity for the successful presentation of scientific research and interaction with other participants.

For students and cadets, scientific and practical conferences are an opportunity to test their knowledge in a foreign language environment, as well as to receive feedback from international experts. This is especially important for future specialists, since in many fields (science, technology, medicine) knowledge of a foreign language is the basis for participation in international projects and publications.

Preparing for participation in scientific and practical conferences in foreign languages requires a comprehensive approach. This includes:

∨ **preparation of scientific reports and presentations** (it is necessary to take into

account the academic style of speech, the specifics of terminology and the rules of scientific communication);

∨ **training of listening and speaking skills** (this can be achieved through the practice of listening to scientific lectures, participation in seminars and other events where foreign languages are used);

∨ **preparation for questions and discussions** (it is important to be able to respond

quickly to questions and discussions that arise during the conference).

The Department of Foreign Languages of Donetsk State University of Internal Affairs holds annually All-Ukrainian scientific and practical cadet/student conference in foreign languages. Recently, its topic is «Law enforcement agencies: the defense of public order and constitutional freedoms during peace and martial law». Thematic directions of the conference are as follows:

·- protection of constitutional human rights in the activities of police in the zone of military conflict;

·- international standards of law enforcement activities in peacetime and under martial law; ·

- prevention of offenses by law enforcement agencies in peacetime and under martial law; ·

- interaction of law enforcement agencies and the public in the field of public order in peacetime and under martial law; ·

- topical issues of training law enforcement officers in peacetime and under martial law.

Cadets and students from different universities in Ukraine prepare the abstracts and presentations of foreign languages, participate in scientific discussions.

As work experience shows, the participation of students and cadets in scientific and practical conferences in foreign languages is a powerful tool for developing their foreign language communicative competence. This process contributes not only to the development of language skills, but also to the formation of important competencies, such as critical thinking, the ability to make scientific arguments and intercultural communication. Participation in conferences also opens up new opportunities for professional development and integration into the international scientific community, which is important for the formation of competitive specialists in the globalized world.

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