

THE PECULIARITIES OF THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE XXI CENTURY

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The modern development of higher education in any country should be considered in the light of global trends that modernize educational strategic priorities, change tools and approaches to teaching and methodological rules for the high school. Moreover, general civilizational trends make a system-producing impact on the national reform of education systems. That is why it is urgent to define modern features transforming the world of higher education.

The views of scientists on the transformation of the system of higher education under the influence of the world educational community and general civilizational strategic development priorities are generalized. The essence of the main tendencies in the modernization of higher education in the 21st century is revealed, and the importance of the process of internationalization of higher education is emphasized.

So, the main peculiarities of transformation of the world system of higher education in the XXI century are: mass and dynamic development of higher education; learning

that is orientated as the final result; the introduction of continuous education; distance learning; diversification and internationalization of higher education; individualization of higher education; focus on research and development and transformation of higher education content.

Summing up world trends in higher education, it is appropriate to note that the modern educational process of high education is characterised by integration and specialization, flexibility and adaptability, modularity and mobility, independence, orientation to science research, extensive use of advanced information and communication technologies, focus on needs consumer society as a whole.

Understanding the major global trends of higher education and mechanisms of their implementation lays the foundation for the analysis of international educational space, determination of where the position of Ukrainian high education and ways of modernization of national higher education system in accordance with international standards.