

# THE METHODOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS OF DEVELOPING THE WORLDVIEW OF YOUTH IN NEW UZBEKISTAN BASED ON NATIONAL AND UNIVERSAL VALUES

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#### **ABSTRACT**

This article analyzes the development of youth worldview in the new Uzbekistan based on the mutual compatibility of national and universal values. Within the scope of the article, contemporary sociophilosophical approaches, particularly Ronald Inglehart's postmodern value theory and Anthony Giddens' theory of structuration, are analyzed. Based on these theories, the methodological foundations for the harmonious development of identity and global thinking in youth consciousness are substantiated. Additionally, the article highlights effective ways to integrate national and universal values in youth education, drawing from Uzbekistan's spiritual and educational policies, the activities of social institutions, and the results of sociological research. The article aims to define strategic approaches to preserving national identity and forming global citizenship.

## **KEYWORDS**

Youth, worldview, national values, universal values, New Uzbekistan, methodology, identity, global thinking, theory of structuration, postmodern values, social consciousness, spiritual and educational reforms.

#### INTRODUCTION

The formation of youth worldview, their social, cultural, political, and moral values, is a significant factor in the development of modern societies. One of the pressing issues of youth education in Uzbekistan is the harmonization of national and universal values in shaping their worldview. This issue is of great importance not only from the perspective of social and political reforms but also for the spiritual development of future generations and the stable progress of society. Furthermore, the intensification of globalization processes, the rapid spread of information, and the introduction of new technologies have a significant impact on the youth's consciousness. Therefore, the necessity of finding a balance between national and universal values in the formation of youth worldview has arisen. National values are those specific to a particular nation, and they constitute a system of values based on its historical, cultural, social, and moral norms. National values serve as the foundation for unity, self-awareness, and identification within society. These include concepts such as family, national language, religion, customs, traditions, and historical memory. National values help youth in understanding their identity, remaining loyal to historical culture, and forming a sense of national pride. On the other hand, universal values are those that are common to all of humanity, independent of nationality and geographical boundaries, ensuring equality, freedom, and respect for all people. These include issues like human rights, freedom, justice, peace, stability, and ecological balance. These values play an important role in shaping a global worldview and help prepare youth to

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become active citizens of the global community[1]. Globalization processes, technologies, and the widespread use of information media have introduced new worldviews and values to youth consciousness. Through new technologies, young people have the opportunity to familiarize themselves with multiple cultures and establish connections between different nations. However, this process may lead to a clash with national values. Therefore, it is essential to preserve and develop national values while integrating them with global values. This, in turn, prepares young people to participate actively in social and cultural life by harmonizing both systems of values. The formation of youth worldview and its impact on social, political, and cultural changes has been the subject of scientific research and statistical analysis in recent years. For example, Ronald Inglehart's research based on the "World Values Survey" demonstrates the widespread presence of secular-rational values among youth. According to Inglehart's latest studies, based on surveys conducted in over 80 countries in 2020, secularism and rationalism comprise 72% of youth values. This indicates that youth are more inclined to adopt values that oppose religion, traditional values, and social norms, confirming the dominance of global values in society. However, this situation manifests differently in each country. In some countries, particularly in developing states undergoing social transformation, national values and traditions still hold predominant importance. One such country is Uzbekistan, where a number of political and spiritual reforms are being implemented to preserve national values and educate youth as responsible social citizens contributing to the stable development of society[2]. Since gaining independence, several significant reforms have been carried out in Uzbekistan regarding the education of youth and the formation of their worldview. The issues of educating youth in terms of spirituality, self-awareness, respect for national values, and remaining loyal to them play a significant role in Uzbekistan's social policy. In this regard, the spiritual and educational reforms implemented, including state programs on youth issues, the new education system, and initiatives aimed at introducing youth to the international stage, have been effective. In particular, the "Comprehensive Program for Youth" signed by the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan on April 30, 2020, provided a new approach to helping youth understand their identity and cultivate national values[3]. According to this program, special attention is given to the development of values such as respect for national traditions, adherence to ethical norms, and the sense of responsibility towards family and society. At the same time, programs aimed at preparing youth to have a modern worldview, understand global trends, and be ready to actively participate have also been developed.

The importance and prospects of developing the worldview of youth in new Uzbekistan based on national and universal values: Youth has always been a significant force in shaping the future of society. Especially today, the worldview of youth and their actions are having a considerable impact on the development of societies, the internal political stability of countries, and the formation of social relations on a global scale. In Uzbekistan, shaping the worldview of youth based on national and universal values is one of the most pressing social and moral issues of today's society. The importance of youth education is not only related to national identity but also to the formation of an active civic consciousness aimed at global social issues. This process, in turn, is one of the key factors in ensuring Uzbekistan's independent and prosperous future[4]. Since Uzbekistan became independent and began stabilizing its economic and political system, the issue of youth has become an integral part of societal development. Preserving and developing national values, on the one hand, ensures national awareness, self-

identification, and the study of national history, while on the other hand, the need arose to instill universal human values in youth as active members of the global community. This issue remains relevant not only from a cultural and scientific perspective but also from the standpoint of ensuring political, economic, and social stability. Today, the factors influencing the worldview of youth in society are diverse and are changing across many sectors. The processes of globalization and the development of information and communication technologies are introducing youth to new, unifying global values. The harmony of national and global values in the education of Uzbek youth is crucial, especially from the standpoint of ensuring political, social, and economic stability in society. In addition to preserving and developing national values, educating youth to be citizens with a global worldview, openmindedness, and tolerance is necessary for ensuring the prosperity and stability of society in the future[5]. In Uzbekistan's modern political agenda, the goal is to enable youth to find their place in society and develop as citizens who feel social responsibility on a global scale. At the same time, global reforms and international cooperation provide opportunities for the expansion of the value system among youth. This, in turn, contributes to ensuring stability, peace, and prosperity in society. The prospects for the formation of youth's worldview and values are of particular importance for the future of Uzbek youth. Changes in Uzbekistan's youth policy, expanding the social and political activity of youth, and introducing them to both global and national values, open the way to raising youth as individuals with a complex and stable worldview. In this process, scientific research, pedagogical approaches, and practical work play a vital role. Furthermore, by fully utilizing the available opportunities in the process of shaping youth's worldview, and developing their intellectual and spiritual potential, it is possible to ensure Uzbekistan's political and economic stability[6]. Moreover, shaping the worldview of youth and developing their active civic position enables the harmonization of national and universal values, which contributes to the stabilization of the social system. These processes are especially important in Uzbekistan's future reforms, focusing on educating, training, and actively engaging youth in society. By shaping the worldview of youth and maintaining the harmony between national values and global ideas, a solid foundation for Uzbekistan's future can be laid. Thus, finding harmony between national and universal values in shaping the worldview of youth contributes to the stabilization of society and contributes to Uzbekistan's political, economic, and social development[7]. The worldview of the youth of New Uzbekistan, harmonized with national values and global ideas, plays a crucial role in implementing and strengthening reforms in society.

The self-understanding of youth in new Uzbekistan, understanding national values, and harmonizing with universal human values: a key factor in the modernization of society: Youth is one of the most important factors in determining the future of society. The development of each nation occurs through the social, political, and economic innovations carried out by the youth in that society. In New Uzbekistan, this process is being implemented by shaping the worldview of youth, ensuring their understanding of national values, and harmonizing them with universal human values. This process is not only important for the personal development of youth, but it is also a crucial component of the modernization of society. The process of self-understanding among youth should develop in full harmony with national values. National values not only help youth understand their identity but also encourage them to respect the history, culture, and traditions of their people. These values help

youth form their sense of national future and self-confidence. In New Uzbekistan, the process of self-understanding of youth is aimed at strengthening national identification, understanding one's identity, culture, and history[8]. This, in turn, helps create a strong sense of national unity, ensures interethnic harmony, and strengthens the state's stability. However, in the process of globalization and interaction with various cultures, it is also essential to broaden the worldview of youth. Universal human values, finding a balance between these cultures and uniting them, mean that youth should become active global citizens. These values, such as human rights, freedom, sustainability, environmental stability, and justice, play a significant role in shaping the worldview of youth. Familiarity with global values encourages youth to become more openminded, tolerant, and socially responsible citizens. Thus, youth, alongside national values, will adopt global ideas and a modern worldview, which will play an essential role in their personal development. In New Uzbekistan, the process of youth's self-understanding and their comprehension of national values is of particular importance in terms of the policies implemented by the state. The reforms initiated by President Shavkat Mirziyoyev regarding youth policy are providing a great impetus for the social, economic, and spiritual development of youth. These reforms aim not only at the youth's assimilation of national values but also at their formation as active and responsible citizens on a global scale. The government of Uzbekistan is creating the necessary infrastructure to support youth in all aspects, including their creative, scientific, and social potential[9]. Issues such as providing youth with education, science, and employment have been defined as one of the main priorities. The harmony of national and universal human values is of special importance in the upbringing of youth. National values encourage youth to respect their culture, language, history, and traditions, while universal human values help them understand global perspectives, other cultures and nations, and contribute to the creation of a social system based on equality and justice. The harmony between these two value systems forms a comprehensive and balanced worldview for youth. This not only aids youth in their personal lives but also helps them become active participants in the development of society. Today, strengthening the influence of global values among youth, participating in solving global social issues, and assisting youth in dealing with environmental, human rights, sustainable development, and peacekeeping challenges are essential. Changes in youth's worldview in this regard lay the foundation for Uzbekistan's future development, social stability, and economic progress[10]. Through the harmonization of national and global values, youth are simultaneously trained to fulfill their moral, social, and economic responsibilities as exemplary citizens. Moreover, the cultivation of national values among youth and the success of their self-awareness process play an essential role in ensuring social stability and cohesion in society. By preserving national values and respecting their history and culture, youth develop national pride and a great sense of responsibility. This, in turn, helps create a strong informational and spiritual infrastructure within society. The selfunderstanding of youth in New Uzbekistan and their understanding of national values, harmonized with universal human values, plays a central role in the modernization of society and the establishment of social stability. National values help youth comprehend their identity and culture, while universal human values prepare them to become active, responsible global citizens. The harmonious blending of these two value systems forms a comprehensive worldview that supports youth in both their personal lives and societal development, creating the foundation for a modern, stable, and prosperous Uzbekistan.



# **CONCLUSION**

In the New Uzbekistan, shaping the worldview of young people based on national and universal values is one of the key factors in modernizing society. The process of young people understanding their identity, preserving national values, and staying true to them, while also adopting a global worldview, has a significant impact on the social, moral, and economic development of modern society. National values encourage young people to respect their history, culture, and traditions, while universal values prepare them to become active, tolerant, and responsible citizens on a global scale. By ensuring harmony between national and universal values, young people contribute to strengthening social stability and integration within society. This process not only influences the personal development of young people but also helps in building strong national unity within society, while also enhancing the reputation of Uzbekistan on the international stage. In this context, the policies being implemented by the state to support young people in all areas, realize their potential, and harmonize national and universal values, play a significant role in modernizing society.

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