

The causes of violence against minors are complex and multifaceted. They may include factors such as poverty, family dysfunction, substance abuse, mental illness, and societal attitudes that condone violence.

Preventing violence against minors requires a comprehensive approach that can help in the future. It is necessary to start by educating children, parents and citizens about the signs of violence against others, the ability to distinguish it and the importance of reporting violence against minors.

Providing support services to victims of violence, such as counseling, work with a psychologist, post-traumatic therapy and legal assistance, can also affect the investigation of violent crimes, since minors are afraid to talk about it.

In turn, law enforcement agencies must ensure that laws that protect children from violence are implemented and that perpetrators are held accountable for their actions.

Nowadays, it is possible to develop programs that will help promote healthy interpersonal relationships, conflict resolution and positive parenting.

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ENGLISH AS THE LANGUAGE OF SCIENCE AND RESEARCH: PROSPECTS FOR UKRAINIAN UNIVERSITIES AND RESEARCH INSTITUTES

In today's world, English has emerged as the global language of science, technology, and academic research. It serves as the primary medium of communication within the international scientific community, opening up new opportunities for collaboration and knowledge exchange. Given the rapid changes in the global information landscape, the importance of proficiency in English within Ukrainian universities and research institutions is growing. Consequently, the teaching of English as the language of science becomes crucial for enhancing the competitiveness of Ukrainian scholars on the international stage.

Firstly, the dominance of English facilitates international collaboration. Ukrainian universities can establish partnerships with foreign institutions, such as joint research projects and exchange programs,

enabling researchers to work together on global challenges like climate change and public health.

Also, improving English proficiency allows access to a wealth of scientific literature. Universities could create a centralized digital library of English-language journals and resources, offering workshops on navigating databases like PubMed and Scopus. Additionally, universities might consider subscriptions to major English-language journals, making them available to faculty and students.

To attract international students and faculty, universities should offer more programs taught in English. For example, developing a Master's program in Environmental Science that is entirely in English could draw students from around the world. This program could include modules on international environmental law, global warming, and sustainable practices, featuring guest lectures from international experts. Also, encouraging researchers to publish in high-impact English-language journals can increase their work's visibility. Institutions could host regular workshops on academic writing, where experienced researchers mentor their colleagues. An example could be setting up a "Writing Fellowship" program that pairs junior researchers with senior mentors who guide them in writing and submitting articles to international journals.

Establishing English language courses specifically for academic and research purposes is crucial. For instance, universities could create a "Research English" course focusing on technical vocabulary, presentation skills, and academic writing. Additionally, online platforms like Coursera or edX could be leveraged to provide access to high-quality English language courses, integrating them into the academic curriculum.

Institutions can create incentives for faculty to present in English by offering funding for international conference participation. For example, a university might allocate a specific budget for faculty travel to present research at global conferences, thereby encouraging them to present their findings in English.

Utilizing digital tools can enhance language learning and research dissemination. Universities could develop online platforms for virtual collaboration, such as research management systems where researchers can share findings in English. Additionally, implementing tools like Grammarly or Turnitin can aid in improving writing quality and ensuring proper citation practices.

Also, engaging with local and international scientific communities can enhance the reputation of Ukrainian research institutions. Hosting international conferences or workshops can showcase Ukrainian research.

The government can support the integration of English in academia by funding language training programs for faculty and students. Moreover, policies can be introduced that encourage universities to establish

partnerships with foreign institutions, facilitating student and staff exchanges that focus on research collaboration.

No less important are long-term development strategies. Developing a comprehensive strategy for promoting English in Ukrainian academia should include setting specific goals for English proficiency at different academic levels. For example, universities could aim for a percentage of their faculty to publish in English-language journals within a certain timeframe and provide the necessary resources and support to achieve this goal.

Universities can introduce English for Special Purposes (ESP), namely the development of ESP courses tailored to specific fields such as engineering, medicine, law or the social sciences, which can improve professional communication skills.

The integration of English as a medium of instruction and research in Ukrainian universities and scientific institutions is not just a necessity but an opportunity to enhance global collaboration, research visibility, and academic mobility. By prioritizing English language proficiency, institutions can better prepare their faculty and students for participation in the international academic community.

The proposed practical strategies, such as developing tailored English for Specific Purposes (ESP) programs, fostering research visibility through English-language publishing, and creating international partnerships, are crucial for achieving these goals. Furthermore, the adoption of digital tools can facilitate language learning and research dissemination, ensuring that Ukrainian academics remain competitive on the global stage.

In conclusion, embracing English as the language of science and research can significantly impact the academic landscape in Ukraine, promoting innovation, enhancing collaboration, and ultimately contributing to the country's socio-economic development. By investing in English language education and creating supportive academic environments, Ukrainian universities can become key players in the global research community.

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