

## **DEVELOPMENT OF INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCE IN FOREIGN LANGUAGE LEARNING: CURRENT TRENDS AND APPROACHES**

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In today's world, where globalization is becoming an increasing phenomenon, the ability to communicate and interact effectively with representatives of other cultures is becoming extremely important. The development of intercultural competence in foreign language learning plays a key role in fostering an open and tolerant worldview, promoting a deep understanding and respect for other cultures.

One of the main tasks of modern education is to form an open and tolerant worldview. In foreign language learning, it is especially important to improve intercultural understanding and maintain respect for diversity. Educational institutions and teachers should actively work to create an environment where students can freely exchange ideas, learn to listen and understand the points of view of others.

One effective way to deepen intercultural understanding is to participate in intercultural exchanges and projects. Students can take part in exchange programs, internships in other countries, or collaborate on international projects with people from other cultures. These experiences help them develop not only their language skills, but also foster a mutual sense of respect, tolerance, and cooperation. Modern technologies such as video conferencing and social media allow students to communicate and collaborate with people from all over the world. This gives them the opportunity to practice the language in real-life situations, as well as develop intercultural understanding and collaboration skills.

Developing intercultural competence in foreign language learning is an important aspect of modern education. It helps students not only improve their language skills, but also broaden their horizons, develop tolerance and mutual understanding. With the use of modern approaches and technologies, educational institutions can contribute to the effective formation of intercultural competence among their students, preparing them for successful communication and interaction in a global society.

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