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THEORETICAL AND METHODOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS OF THE FORMATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE COMMUNICATIVE COMPETENCE

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Abstract. Professional language training evolves to meet contemporary demands, striving to cultivate competitive individuals equipped to thrive in a globalized landscape. Higher education institutions are increasingly adopting internationally recognized standards, prioritizing the development of English language proficiency and professional capabilities. However, there's a notable gap in understanding the formation of Foreign Language Communicative Competence (FLCC) among aspiring professionals in non-native English-speaking nations. Drawing from our teaching experience in foreign language universities, it's evident that many students lack the requisite English proficiency for effective professional communication. In response, we have formulated a theoretical and methodological framework for analyzing FLCC. Our objective was to devise a pedagogical model incorporating sequential stages and technology to foster students' motivation, readiness in FLCC, communicative skills, and self-directed learning abilities. This approach entails a systematic progression in competency development, incorporating activities designed to refine perception and provide constructive feedback. The efficacy of our model was confirmed through experimental validation.

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Introduction

In the current educational landscape, there's a growing emphasis on elevating the training quality for prospective professionals, including educators. Foreign language universities are embracing new standards to produce adaptable and competitive experts across various sectors, including healthcare. Teaching, as a profession, demands frequent practical interactions with peers and patients, requiring quick and adept support and the adept utilization of profession-specific vocabulary.

Prospective educators need advanced proficiency in professional communication, which can be honed through higher education training. However, practical experience reveals a scarcity of highly proficient teaching professionals in the modern job market, especially those possessing a strong grasp of Foreign Language Communicative Competence (FLCC). FLCC is crucial for independent and effective problem-solving in professional contexts, particularly amidst heightened cross-cultural exchanges.

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A pivotal component of vocational training at foreign language universities for aspiring educators is fostering competencies that equip students with career-relevant communicative skills in a foreign language. Such proficiency serves as a potent tool to optimize the professional capabilities of future educators and enhance their academic performance.

Research Methods

Research conducted at foreign language universities involves theoretical and methodological analysis, comprising several key aspects:

Theoretical analysis encompasses the study of pedagogical, psychological, and theoretical literature, along with an examination of the current state of the issue in practical settings.

Diagnostic methods involve observing and analyzing the outcomes of educational and scientific endeavors undertaken by future professionals during their foreign language learning process.

Research perspectives entail the development and characterization of a model for cultivating Foreign Language Communicative Competence (FLCC) in future professionals. This competency formation relies on methodological approaches such as systemic, competence-based, person-oriented, and communicative methods. Moreover, didactic principles like activity and interactivity, professional orientation, communicativeness, and authenticity of communication are applied.

The model's components encompass motivational, cognitive, communicative, active, moral, behavioral, and personal dimensions. According to the researchers, this proposed model effectively enhances students' motivation and preparedness for oral and written communication, enabling them to tackle professional challenges and fulfill their language learning requirements.

Findings

Theoretical understandings of Foreign Language Communicative Competence (FLCC) vary among scholars:

- Baeva and Bogdanova (2014) view FLCC as a blend of fundamental skills and students' willingness to showcase their abilities in diverse professional scenarios. They perceive FLCC as linguistic proficiency enabling students to apply their second language knowledge within socially-contextualized situations, adhering to norms observed by native speakers.

- Osipova and Lomonosova (2019) conceptualize FLCC as a combination of communication skills, cognitive engagement, creativity, motivation, and readiness for English communication. They define FLCC as encompassing linguistic competencies

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such as reading, writing, listening, speaking, along with structural elements like phonetics, grammar, and vocabulary, utilized within authentic, integrative, interdisciplinary contexts.

- Malaga-Tobola et al. (2019) describe FLCC as an integral, multi-level attribute that facilitates effective problem-solving and educational tasks of varying complexities through foreign language interaction. They emphasize FLCC as the capacity to comprehend others' communicative behavior, employing text analysis skills and communicative achievements.

- Methodologists Chanpet et al. (2020) conceptualize FLCC as a multi-faceted and progressive phenomenon, reflecting practical skills for perceptual and interactive communication functions in the second language. FLCC, according to them, integrates structural components such as communicative, linguistic, sociolinguistic, discursive, strategic, and sociocultural aspects, supplemented by ICT competency. This ICT competency is nurtured through extensive utilization of electronic didactic resources (EDM), facilitating independent information extraction, self-assessment of knowledge, and broad access to educational resources, reinforced by teacher guidance.

Methodology of Forming FLCC

In the realm of foreign language universities, particularly within educational institutions, the creation of a pedagogical model for nurturing Foreign Language Communicative Competence (FLCC) is paramount. This model ensures that the intended objectives align with the outcomes observed during experimental endeavors (Shipunova et al., 2019).

The proposed pedagogical model consists of several crucial components:

1. **Theoretical Foundation:** This segment incorporates theoretical underpinnings and methodological strategies such as competency-based, systemic, person-centered, and communicative approaches.

2. **Methodological Framework:** Within this framework, fundamental principles such as interactivity, communicativeness, professional orientation, visibility, accessibility, feasibility, activity-based learning, and authenticity of communicative interactions are emphasized.

3. **Criteria-Diagnostic Aspect:** This section delineates criteria (motivational, communicative-active, cognitive-informative, reflective-evaluative) and proficiency levels (advanced, intermediate, elementary) for FLCC development among prospective learners.

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4. Procedure-Content Framework: This segment outlines the systematic implementation of pedagogical techniques for fostering FLCC among future learners. It comprises four stages: introductory, reproductive, practical, and creative, each executed under specific instructional conditions. These stages entail:

- Clarification of teaching objectives geared towards enhancing the quality of professional training.
- Engagement of learners in communicative and cognitive tasks.
- Establishment of communicative, interactive, perceptual, professional, and behavioral communication facets, employing a comprehensive, competency-driven, and dynamic approach, alongside a creative orientation.

Moreover, a tailored training program for cultivating FLCC among prospective educators was crafted by Kabanova & Kogan (2017). This course is structured into four stages, each with defined objectives achieved through particular tasks within specified pedagogical contexts.

Conclusion

In the educational domain, particularly within foreign language universities, there's a heightened focus on improving the quality of training for upcoming professionals, including prospective teachers, across various sectors like healthcare.

Prospective educators require advanced proficiency in professional communication, especially in foreign language contexts. However, there's a noticeable scarcity of teaching professionals in the current job market who possess a high level of Foreign Language Communicative Competence (FLCC), essential for adept problem-solving and navigating cross-cultural communication challenges.

A crucial aspect of vocational training for aspiring teachers lies in developing competencies that ensure they acquire career-specific communicative skills in a foreign language. This proficiency not only enhances their professional capabilities but also boosts their academic performance.

Research conducted at foreign language universities centers on theoretical and methodological analyses, involving literature review and examination of educational and scientific endeavors. The focus is on crafting a model for cultivating FLCC utilizing systemic, competence-based, person-centered, and communicative methodologies.

Various viewpoints on FLCC underscore its importance as a blend of skills and competencies essential for effective communication. It's perceived as vital for problem-solving and education, embodying practical abilities for communication in a second language.

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The development of a pedagogical model for fostering FLCC at foreign language universities is imperative. This model emphasizes active learning, communicative engagement, and the integration of competencies, ensuring alignment with educational objectives and yielding favorable learning outcomes.

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