

GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP – STATUS OF CONTEMPORARY

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Actuality. “If you know languages – you know the world” – an old Tajik proverb relevant in the modern global world. Knowledge of foreign languages enables a person to learn more about real life and culture of other peoples. Language studying isn’t easy and long task that needs great effort and allows you to understand better the world.

Aim. To define a “global citizenship” and its practical implementation in life of modern students.

Methods. Reflection.

Results. My homeland is a small mountain village of Hochachildier near the town of Gissar in Tajikistan. All my childhood I spent in the mountains in my native village, where I studied at school. After graduation I decided to become a pharmacist-technologist, but this specialty is not taught in Tajikistan. This specialty is at the universities of Russia, Kazakhstan and Ukraine. My choice was the National University of Pharmacy in Kharkov, Ukraine. I decided to study in Ukraine, because it is situated in the center of Europe and gives an opportunity to get closer to European culture and traditions.

I faced a new problem – the university studies are in Ukrainian, although the city of Kharkov is Russian-speaking. I was forced to learn another language – Ukrainian, it helps me not only to learn, but also to communicate with other students, to travel to other cities of Ukraine – Lviv, Ternopil, Poltava, Kiev for student scientific conferences. Without the knowledge of the language it is impossible to know culture, traditions of the country where you study and live in. Studying for a technologist in pharmacy, I realized that without the knowledge of English I will not be able to achieve much in my future profession. I think that study of English will give me even more opportunities to achieve my goals and implement my plans. So I started studies at the additional English language course “Green forest”. For the third year I have been studying English in parallel with my studies. Knowledge of several languages gives the opportunity to develop, better understand yourself and the world around you. I am very glad that today young people have the opportunity to participate in such accessible programs as student exchange, sports and cultural events. Such way of development gives effective results. Students learn, develop and influence the world around us and improve it. This is one of the reasons for the emergence of local and international conflicts. I believe that one of the ways to

reduce this tension is tolerant and inquisitive attitude to each other's languages. Each new language learned by man is the way to a new cooperation.

At the university I met a concept of "global citizenship" and thought about it meaning for me personally. I realized that global citizenship is not related to a particular nation, color of skin, religion, country and represents an understanding that we are all inhabitants of Earth and therefore have an equal responsibility for life in our world. I understand the value of global citizenship – a person who takes responsibility for other people, for their healthy lifestyle, respect for human rights and solution to the difficulties that we meet in our world.

Global citizenship is an ability to act to improve the world around you – in your own university, city, country. At the same time to understand that these actions can affect the situation in a global scale. I decided to try on the notion of global citizenship, in order to be useful for people all over the world, to get a lot of new knowledge in the profession of a pharmaceutical technologist, to learn how to make new medicines that can save people's lives in all countries.

Unfortunately, the level of development of medicine and pharmacy in many countries, including my country isn't high enough. In Tajikistan there is virtually no production of drugs, all drugs are imported from abroad, so it is very expensive and poor people can't often buy it. Therefore my global aim is organization of mass production of drugs in Tajikistan, to use my new knowledge that I got as a result of communicating with people in other countries, the introduction of new advanced technologies in pharmaceutical industry in my country, the improvement of the quality of drugs, reducing their value, and improving the lives of my compatriots, adoption of a healthy lifestyle. One of the main problems of today are heart disease, so I'm working on developing a new medicine based on herbs of hawthorn, lemon balm, hops, motherwort for the treatment of cardiac diseases.

Conclusions. Unfortunately, there are a lot of poor and sick people in modern world who need help. In order to facilitate their life, to help to improve health and to increase life expectancy, to ensure stability, happiness and development of each family, every people, to make the world better, in my opinion, it is necessary to be well-oriented in modern society, to be able to communicate with people from different countries, and it needs a good knowledge of foreign languages.