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WORDS RELATED TO PROFESSIONS IN UZBEK

Abstract: The Uzbek language, with its rich historical and cultural background, includes a vast lexicon related to professions. This article explores the evolution, classification, and cultural significance of words associated with various professions in Uzbek. It examines traditional and modern professional terminologies, their linguistic structures, and their role in societal development. Additionally, the study analyzes the impact of globalization on Uzbek professional vocabulary and the emergence of borrowed terms. Special attention is given to the influence of historical, economic, and technological factors on the formation of occupational terminology. The findings provide insight into the role of profession-related words in shaping Uzbek linguistic identity and communication.

Keywords: Uzbek language, professional terminology, occupations, linguistic evolution, borrowed words, traditional professions.

INTRODUCTION

Language is a reflection of society, and its vocabulary evolves alongside social, economic, and technological developments. Professional terminology in any language is an essential component of communication, representing various occupations and societal roles. In the Uzbek language, profession-related words have undergone significant transformation due to historical influences, globalization, and socio-economic changes.

The study of professional lexicon in Uzbek provides valuable insight into the cultural and economic landscape of the nation. Traditional professions, deeply rooted in history, continue to exist alongside emerging modern occupations introduced by globalization and technological advancements. The Uzbek language has also integrated borrowed words from Persian, Arabic, Russian, and English, reflecting the influence of different civilizations and economic changes over time.

This article aims to analyze the linguistic characteristics of Uzbek profession-related words, their historical development, and the cultural and economic factors shaping them. A special focus is placed on the classification of professions, linguistic adaptation of foreign occupational terms, and the role of professional vocabulary in education and communication.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Words related to professions in Uzbek can be classified into several categories based on their historical, social, and economic significance.

1. Traditional Professions

Historically, Uzbek professional terminology was shaped by agricultural, craftsmanship, and trade-based occupations. Many of these professions are still relevant today, though some have declined due to industrialization.

Category	Uzbek Term	English Equivalent
Agriculture	Dehqon	Farmer
Animal Husbandry	Choʻpon	Shepherd
Craftsmanship	Zargar	Jeweler
Trade & Commerce	Savdogar	Merchant
Carpentry	Duradgor	Carpenter
Silk Production	Gilamdo'z	Carpet Weaver

These professions reflect Uzbekistan's deep-rooted cultural and economic heritage, where craftsmanship and agriculture played a central role in society.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

With industrialization, urbanization, and globalization, new professions have emerged, requiring updated terminology.

Category	Uzbek Term	English Equivalent
Information Technology	Dasturchi	Programmer
Engineering	Muhandis	Engineer
Healthcare	Shifokor	Doctor
Education	Oʻqituvchi	Teacher
Media & Communication	Jurnalist	Journalist
Finance & Banking	Bankir	Banker

Many modern professions in Uzbek have borrowed words from other languages, reflecting globalization's impact on professional terminology.

Uzbek professional vocabulary has incorporated terms from various languages due to historical and economic influences.

Origin	Uzbekized Term	Original Word & Language	Meaning
Arabic	Hakim	Hakim (Arabic)	Doctor
Persian	Muallim	Mu'allim (Persian)	Teacher
Russian	Advokat	Адвокат (Russian)	Lawyer
English	Marketing	Marketing (English)	Marketing
French	Muxbir	Mukhbir (French)	Reporter

These borrowed terms highlight the linguistic adaptations influenced by trade, politics, and globalization.

Profession-related words in Uzbek follow various linguistic structures, often derived through suffixation and compound formation.

1. Derivational Suffixes in Professional Terms

Uzbek uses various suffixes to form words related to professions.

Suffix Example Meaning

-chi	Quruvchi (Builder)	Someone engaged in an activity
-kor	Hunarmandkor (Artisan)	Related to skill or trade
-shunos	Tarixshunos (Historian)	Specialist in a field
-on	Hakimon (Doctor-like)	Professional tone in speech

These suffixes help in coining new profession-related terms while maintaining linguistic consistency.

Some Uzbek profession-related words are formed by combining two words.

Compound Word	Meaning
Kompyuter dasturchisi	Computer programmer
Sanoat muhandisi	Industrial engineer
Xalqaro huquqshunos	International lawyer
Madaniyatshunos	Cultural specialist

Compound formations allow Uzbek to create precise and contextually relevant terms.

The rapid advancement of technology and globalization has introduced new professions and terms into the Uzbek lexicon.

1. **Technology-Driven Professions** – With the rise of IT and artificial intelligence, new professional terms like "dasturchi" (programmer) and "data-analitik" (data analyst) have become common.

2. Western Influence on Business Terminology – Words such as "marketing" and "startup" have entered everyday professional discourse.

3. **Hybrid Language Usage** – Many Uzbek professionals use a mix of Uzbek and English terms in corporate settings, reflecting a shift in linguistic preferences.

These changes indicate that professional terminology in Uzbek will continue evolving as new industries emerge.

Challenges	Proposed Solutions	
Excessive reliance on borrowed	Developing Uzbek equivalents for new professions	
terms		
Inconsistent use of technical terms	Standardization of professional terminology	
Lack of awareness about	Incorporating traditional terminology in educational	
indigenous terms	curriculums	

Challenges and Future Prospects of Uzbek Professional Vocabulary

The development of professional vocabulary in Uzbek requires balancing modernization with linguistic preservation.

CONCLUSION

The study of words related to professions in Uzbek provides valuable insights into the linguistic and socio-economic development of the nation. Traditional professions reflect Uzbekistan's historical roots, while modern and borrowed terms highlight the country's engagement with globalization. The linguistic structure of profession-related words showcases unique derivational patterns, demonstrating the adaptability of the Uzbek language.

Despite challenges such as the excessive use of foreign terms, conscious efforts to standardize and promote native terminology can strengthen the linguistic integrity of professional discourse. Future research should focus on developing Uzbek terminology for emerging professions and integrating these terms into educational materials. By doing so, the Uzbek language will continue to evolve while preserving its cultural identity.

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