

ECONOMIC ORIENTATION OF TRADE UNION COMMITTEES IN STUDENT ACTIVITIES

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Анотація: У тезах розкрито роль профспілкових комітетів у формуванні економічного добробуту студентів вищих навчальних закладів. Профспілкові організації є дуже важливими для студентської спільноти не тільки в соціальному та культурному вимірі, але також є економічно орієнтованими організаціями, які дбають про захист економічних інтересів студентів, забезпечуючи стипендії, ряд пільг та інші соціальні гарантії.

Ключові слова: профспілковий комітет, студентська діяльність, соціальні гарантії, стипендії, фінансування.

Trade unions, like no other, are part of the economic relations related to the welfare and protection of students' rights. Their activities are focused not only on protection on the social front but also largely on creating a favorable economic environment for students. In particular, they are involved in the redistribution of scholarships and financial aid to students in difficulty as well as in the implementation of programs of economic support for students. An integral part of any educational institution is its student self-government, as it gives students the opportunity to take an active part in solving issues related to education, recreation, and everyday life. Therefore, trade union committees often take on all the economic functions in this process.

Student self-government is a form of self-organization of students, a mechanism of representation, and the protection of their rights is an opportunity for self-realization [1].

The Primary Trade Union Organization of Students, which represents, promotes, and protects the educational, financial, and social rights of its members, is a voluntary non-profit organization whose purpose is to promote and protect the educational, financial and social rights of its members. Any student studying at a

university on a full-time basis who recognizes the Statute of the Trade Union of Education and Science of Ukraine can become a member of the trade union. Trade unions are established to defend and protect the labor, financial rights, and interests of members organizations [2].

The purpose of the economic orientation of student union groups in student activities is to promote and protect the financial interests of students. These committees function as intermediaries between students and the university administration, ensuring communication between students and the financial department regarding their studies and personal endeavors. The unions promote fair conditions for scholarships and social benefits for students, especially those with financial problems or special needs, and the committee's responsibilities include providing students with discounts on travel, food, medical care, and other services that reduce their financial burden [2].

Trade union committees in higher education institutions perform a number of economic functions aimed at protecting the financial interests of students. The main areas of activity are:

- distribution and control of scholarships;
- providing financial assistance;
- participation in the formation of the university budget to finance student programs.

One of the key economic functions of trade unions is to participate in the process of setting the amount of scholarships and other financial incentives. Studies show that the active participation of trade union committees in these processes allows for more effective protection of students' interests and helps to improve their living standards [3].

The involvement of trade union committees in the student environment has a significant economic impact, as it protects the rights and material interests of students. Trade unions are an important tool for higher education institutions in distributing scholarships, providing financial aid, and shaping economic policy. Their efforts play a key role in improving the living standards of students, promoting

transparency of financial transactions, and creating an environment conducive to the economically sustainable development of student communities.

Trade union organizations effectively interact with university administrations to protect students' economic rights and assist in the implementation of financial support initiatives. This emphasizes their significant contribution to the system of social and financial support for higher education students.

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Abstract: *The following theses attempt to reveal the role of trade union committees in shaping the economic well-being of students in higher education institutions. Trade unions are very important for the student community not only in the social and cultural dimension, but also as economically oriented organizations that care about protecting the economic interests of students by providing scholarships, a number of benefits and other social guarantees.*

Keywords: *trade union committee, student activity, social guarantees, scholarships, funding.*

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