

## **Abstract**

**PhD thesis by Ding Qiang**

**Topic: “Current situation and employment prospects for students studying Chinese in the Kyrgyz Republic”, Scientific supervisor , Doctor of Pedagogical Sciences, Associate Professor. Karabalaeva G.T.**

### **1.Relevance of the dissertation topic.**

As an important country in Central Asia, Kyrgyzstan occupies a unique place on the international stage in terms of its geographical location and political and economic situation. This geographical location not only makes it an important portal for Central and East Asia, but also gives it an increasingly important role in various types of international cooperation. In recent years, with the deepening of cooperation between China and Kyrgyzstan in political, economic and cultural fields, the importance of the Chinese language in the country has increased significantly, and learning Chinese has become a social phenomenon in Kyrgyzstan, deeply affecting people's educational and employment choices.

As for international relations, strategic cooperation between China and Kyrgyzstan is developing every year. Since the implementation of the Chinese initiative to create the Belt and Road Initiative in 2013 , it has been developing comprehensive cooperation with China in the fields of infrastructure development, energy cooperation and international trade. In this regard, the study and application of Chinese is particularly important, and it becomes an important language tool to support these joint projects. Through regular high-level exchange visits and bilateral meetings, both sides continue to deepen cooperation, which further strengthens the

position of Chinese in foreign language teaching in Kyrgyzstan. Due to language barriers, the communication efficiency of both parties in cooperation and the efficiency of project implementation are limited.

The deepening of friendly relations between China and Kyrgyzstan in the context of economic globalization makes the study and teaching of the Chinese language especially important for Kyrgyzstan. In terms of international relations, economic development, educational and cultural exchanges, social needs, the popularity and application of the Chinese language in Kyrgyzstan is very promising. This provides ample space for employment and career development for Chinese language teachers , and also lays an important and theoretical foundation for an in-depth study of their employment status and prospects .

## **2. Connection of the topic of the dissertation with major scientific programs, main research works carried out by the scientific institution.**

The topic of the dissertation is included in the thematic plan of scientific research of the Kyrgyz National University. Zh. Balasagyn (project No. 6 of the NTS meeting dated June 10, 2022).

## **3.Object and subject of research.**

Object of study: employment of Chinese language learners.

Subject of the study: the current situation and employment prospects of Chinese language learners in Kyrgyzstan.

## **4 . Purpose and objectives of the study**

The purpose of the study: to study and analyze the current situation and employment prospects of Chinese language learners in Kyrgyzstan and provide scientific and practical recommendations. The implementation of the research goal was

ensured by solving the following tasks:

1. Study and summarize the theoretical foundations and practical prerequisites of the current situation and employment prospects of Chinese language learners .
2. To determine the career prospects of Chinese language learners in Kyrgyzstan .
3. Conduct an analysis of the employment prospects of Chinese language learners in the Kyrgyz Republic and identify their demand priorities in the labor market.

To achieve the objectives of the study, the following methods were used : descriptive, survey, comparative.

**The descriptive method** at the stage of considering the features of the Kyrgyz labor market made it possible to determine various aspects of employment of graduates who speak Chinese.

**The survey method** at the information collection stage made it possible to determine the necessary conditions and opportunities that graduates who speak Chinese use in the process of employment in Kyrgyzstan.

**The comparative method** helped to characterize and shape the general trend of the labor market and the increase in jobs related to the Chinese language, and made it possible to emphasize the competitive advantages of students in the employment process, which influence the factors of a successful career within professional activities.

**5. The scientific novelty of the obtained results lies in the development of theoretical, methodological and practical proposals of the research:** the theoretical foundations and practical prerequisites for the current situation and employment prospects for Chinese language learners have been identified ; about the limited career prospects of those studying Chinese in Kyrgyzstan ; An analysis of the employment

prospects of Chinese language learners in the Kyrgyz Republic was carried out and their demand priorities in the labor market were identified .

**6. Practical significance of the study:** The scientific results obtained during the study are important not only in theoretical terms, but also for the internal experience of the Kyrgyz Republic. The practical significance of the research work lies in the fact that the conclusions and ideas contained in it can be widely used in teaching such disciplines as comparative pedagogy, Chinese studies , and regional studies. The materials and documents, theoretical and methodological approaches of this work can be used in writing fundamental works on comparative pedagogy, Chinese studies, as well as in compiling textbooks. Research work can be used in organizing special lecture courses for students, undergraduates, doctoral students and teachers of higher educational institutions, and advanced training students .

**7. The main provisions of the dissertation submitted for defense:**

1.A study of the theoretical foundations and practical prerequisites of the current situation and employment prospects for Chinese language learners , allowing for the development of effective prerequisites for the introduction of intensive approaches to the study of the Chinese language in the process of preparing students. This step is necessary to expand future employment opportunities for specialists, both in Kyrgyzstan and China. The problem of this study is to establish the role of Chinese language skills in the process of forming the professional career of young specialists in the Kyrgyz Republic.

2.The development of career prospects is an important issue in the process of educational and professional training of students of all specialties. In this context, the study of Chinese in universities is of particular relevance in connection with the

expansion and strengthening of educational interaction between the Kyrgyz Republic and China. The influence of students' Chinese language skills on their level of competitiveness in the modern labor market and career prospects has been studied. The main advantages of acquiring Chinese language skills by future specialists and the possibility of using it in professional activities were identified. The main advantages of students studying the Chinese language are revealed, both in the context of future employment and increasing the level of professional competence in general. Developing skills in this language has a direct impact on expanding the career prospects of a future specialist.

3. Globalization plays a key role in economic and cultural development, learning foreign languages is becoming an increasingly important process that positively affects the well-being of both society and the state as a whole. An analysis of the features of studying and promoting the Chinese language in Kyrgyzstan, as well as its potential opportunities for students in the labor market, determined that the current situation and employment prospects for graduates who speak Chinese are very promising and full of opportunities. One of the main reasons for the growing interest in learning the Chinese language is the rapid development of China as a global economic and political power. China is becoming an increasingly important partner for Kyrgyzstan in the areas of trade, economics, cultural and educational exchange, where the Confucius Institutes represented in the country play a leading role. This creates a need for professionals who speak Chinese and have a deep understanding of Chinese culture and business practices. According to the survey, learning Chinese is of great importance for graduates, opening up new opportunities for them in the international arena. Job prospects for them are very varied. First of all, they can become specialists in the field

of international trade and business, tourism and hospitality, translation and linguistics, as well as cultural and educational cooperation. However, educational paradigms for studying the Chinese language and further employment of graduates face a number of problems, including: lack of educational materials, teaching staff, competition in the labor market, low wages, lack of practical skills and places when looking for work. The practical significance lies in the use of the research results by scientists, as well as specialists in the field of pedagogy.

8. The personal contribution of the doctoral student is to obtain scientific results presented in the dissertation and published in scientific journals of the Scopus system, expressed in the identification and systematization of the theoretical foundations and practical prerequisites of the current situation and employment prospects for studying Chinese; about the limited career prospects of those studying Chinese in Kyrgyzstan; An analysis of the employment prospects of Chinese language learners in the Kyrgyz Republic was carried out and their demand priorities in the labor market were identified.

9. Testing and implementation of the research results were carried out throughout the entire research period (2022-2024) on the basis of the Kyrgyz-Chinese Institute of the Kyrgyz National University named after Zh. Balasagyn and other universities teaching Chinese in the Kyrgyz Republic. The results of the current research were heard at the meetings of the "Pedagogy" program of Postgraduate Professional Education (basic doctoral studies ( PhD ) / in the profile) of the Kyrgyz National University. Zh. Balasagyn, international scientific and practical conferences and seminars.

**10. Completeness of reflection of the dissertation results in publications.** The

main theoretical and practical provisions of this work are reflected in 3 scientific articles published in scientific journals of the Scopus system :

Career prospects in learning Chinese in the Kyrgyz Republic.// Scientific Herald of Uzhhorod University. Series Physics , 2024, (55), PP.1914–1923.

Prospects and priorities of the cultural aspect in education // Scientific Herald of Uzhhorod University. Series Physics , 2024, (55), pp. 1943–1954.

Cooperation in the field of education between China and Kyrgyzstan within the framework of the “One Belt, One Road” initiative // Scientific Herald of Uzhhorod University. Series Physics , 2024, (55), PP.1751–1760.

**11. The structure of the dissertation.** To work is determined by the logic of achieving the stated goal and objectives of the research and consists of an introduction, three chapters, a conclusion and reference.