ABSTRACT OF THE FINAL QUALIFICATION WORK

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Abstract: The paper provides an overview of research into the communicative category of tolerance and its realization in modern English political discourse. Modern political language has a wide variety of different language means urged to help politicians to overcome verbal aggression and verbal conflicts. Due to the fact that many of speech difficulties are caused by the political situation in the world, the processes of globalization and degradation of moral values, the role of tolerance in political language has become especially relevant. The use of communicative category of tolerance for politicians is the best way to express non-aggressive, respectful relationship towards the audience, to show the desire to understand their cultural, ideological, and personal characteristics, to make the performance of a political leader speech more expressive, lively and imaginative. So, the communicative category of tolerance is defined as one of the components of communicative competence of a modern individual.

The object of this study is the communicative category of tolerance and its realization in modern English political discourse.
The subject of research is the means of expressing the category of tolerance in the public speeches of Margaret Thatcher.

The purpose of this paper is to define the tolerance from the linguistic point of view, and identify the tools that are used to actualize the category of tolerance in the speeches of politicians to overcome verbal aggression and verbal conflicts.

The given purpose specified the performance of the following tasks:
1) to study the specificities of political discourse;
2) to differentiate the concepts of "tolerance", "toleration", "political correctness";
3) to examine the tolerance as a communicative category;
4) to identify the specificity of the communicative category of tolerance in modern political discourse;
5) to explore the features of realization of the category of tolerance in the speeches of Margaret Thatcher.

The first chapter is devoted to some theoretical points in the study of the category of tolerance in political discourse.

The second chapter contains the analysis of the use of means of expressing the category of tolerance in the political discourse of Margaret Thatcher.

In the conclusion some results and deductions of this research are presented.

The appendix represents an intellectual product – a course of lectures “Tolerance in the modern English political discourse”.