

Reviews, Chronicles and Personals

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(Dedicated to the 50-th Anniversary of Anatolii Tsos)

*Science is a sport, brain gymnastics,
which brings me pleasure.*

A. Einstein



Anatolii Vasyliovych Tsos – the first rector, vice-rector of administration and development of Lesya Ukrainka Eastern European National University, Doctor of Science in Physical Education and Sports, Professor.

The multifaceted activity of Anatolii Vasyliovych has many bright sides, but the most remarkable is that one which is associated with the role of a talented scientist and teacher, manager of Science and Higher Education, attentive and caring teacher.

Future scientist was born on January 2, 1966 in the village Lyubohyny Starovyzhivskiy district, Volyn region in the family of Vasyl Hryhorovych and Eugenia Mykytivna Tsos. From the early childhood his parents have laid such traits of his character as diligence and persistency. His dream was to become a teacher of physical education, so he entered the Lutsk State

Pedagogical Institute named after Lesya Ukrainka, the faculty of physical culture, and successfully completed in 1989.

Teaching and the organization of educational process in higher educational institutions are significant points of life of A.V. Tsos. During 1989–1994 he worked as a lecturer, senior lecturer, associate professor of theoretical foundations of physical education Lutsk State Institute of Lesya Ukrainka. He worked as an assistant professor, head of department of health and physical education Volyn National University of Lesya Ukrainka (1994–2002); Head of Department, Professor, Vice-Rector of the scientific and technical work Lutsk Institute of Human Development University «Ukraine» (2002–2004); professor of theory and methodology of physical education Volyn National University of Lesya Ukrainka (2005–2007); Vice-Rector of Research (2007–2012); First Vice-Rector of the University (2013–2015). From September 2015 holds the position of Vice Rector, Vice Rector for Administration and Development of Lesya Ukrainka Eastern European National University.

Anatolii Vasyliovych was interested in problems of optimization of future experts training of physical education and sport, he examined them in his thesis «Differentiated approach in the process of preparing of a future physical training teacher» in 1994 in the Dragomanov National Pedagogical University, obtaining the scientific degree of candidate of pedagogical sciences.

The most important milestones in scientific research were title of professor of physical education and rehabilitation in 2004 and the degree of Doctor of Science in Physical Education and Sport – the result doctoral thesis «The development of Physical Education in Ukraine from ancient times till the beginning of XVIII century» at Kharkiv State Physical Culture Academy (2005). Anatolii Vasyliovych studies historical tendencies of formation and development of physical culture in Ukraine from ancient times to the early nineteenth century; develops instruments and methods of optimization means and methods of optimization of physical education in schools and higher educational establishments institutions of higher education; modes of physical activity in improving physical training. Research results allow to develop not only adapted content and dosage of physical activity according to individual, but the form of measures to attract people to regular exercise.

Summary of significant scientific experience is reflected in 180 scientific publications, including 12 monographs devoted to the above-mentioned problems. Among the most significant are «Physical education in Ukrainian kalendarly rites», «Traditions of physical education in Kievan Rus», «Optimization of physical education of the child in the national education system», «Pedagogical diagnostics in system of physical education of students of secondary education institutions», «System of physical education of students of secondary schools in Poland and Ukraine (XVI – the beginning of XXI century): a comparative analysis» and so on.

Under the guidance of scientist 20 postgraduate students defended dissertations. Today, along with the management and administration a significant part of professional activity of A.V. Tsos holds educational work (teaching courses, students and postgraduate students). He provides technical assistance to teachers of physical culture of Lutsk and Volyn region, cooperates with Volyn Institute for Postgraduate Education and participates in the State examination boards of higher educational establishments of Ukraine.

About scientific authority of Professor A.V. Tsos evidenced the following fact, he is a member of the expert committee on education of the State Accreditation Commission of Ukraine Expert Council of Physical Education and Sport of Higher Attestation Commission of Ukraine, and later - the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine (2007) and the Section of physical education and sports department of higher education of the National Academy of pedagogical Sciences of Ukraine.

During 1998–2000 he was Scientific Secretary of the Academic Council of the defense of dissertations for candidate degree in physical education and sport of Lesya Ukrainka Volyn National University. Member of the academic councils of Lviv State University of Physical Culture (from 2001); of Kharkiv State Academy of Physical Culture (from 2006), Lesya Ukrainka Eastern European National University (13.00.02 – theory and methods of teaching (physical education, healthy lifestyle basics). Anatolii Tsos carries out recreational and educational activities, organizes already traditional International scientific conference «Physical education, sport and health culture in modern society», where the most pressing issues in physical education, sports and health are discussing.

A. Tsos – editor of the collection of scientific works «Physical education, sport and health culture in modern society» – scientific specialized edition of Ukraine («Teaching Science», «Physical education and sport»), which comes out in 1999 and displayed in databases Index Copernicus; Polska Bibliografia Naukowa; Ulrich's Periodicals Directory; Directory of Research Journal Indexing; Directory Indexing of International Research Journals; International Committee of Medical Journal Editors; Research Bible and others.

Long-term scientific and organizational activity of Anatolii Vasilyovych Tsos is widely recognized. He has many titles and awards, namely diplomas of Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, Volyn State Administration and Volyn regional council, he has an award «Outstanding worker of Education of Ukraine».

Reflecting on the origin of deserved respect of Anatolii Vasilyovych and his unquestioning respect among all scientific and pedagogical community of Ukraine is very popular not only in our country but also abroad, we conclude that they are, first of all, of his human qualities as high integrity and exceptional kindness, tremendous performance and self-exactingness. Being harmonious, he combines deep scientific understanding and strong organizational skills, working as the first rector of Lesya Ukrainka Eastern European National University. Always open to dialogue, has readiness to support in a difficult moment in word and in deed.

Few people in the life path and professional growth can come to true wisdom, and especially – to live and work, perfectly owning it. However, these words can be said about Anatolii Vasilyovich that his personal life, professional activity and fruitful scientific work proves that dreams about profession come true, and success comes to those who are working hard and constantly self-realising. Being a model of intelligence and high standards of culture, Anatolii Vasilyovych inspires talented student and teaching youth by his own example to devotion to science.

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