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THE ROLE OF ENGLISH TERMINOLOGY IN ECONOMICS EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF INTERNATIONAL SPECIALISTS

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Annotation: This article explores the role and significance of English economic terminology in the education and professional training of international specialists. It discusses how English has become the universal language of economics, business, and global communication, emphasizing its impact on academic curricula, research, and cross-border cooperation. The study analyzes the linguistic features of English economic terminology, its classification, methods of formation, and translation issues faced by non-native learners. Special attention is paid to the integration of English for Specific Purposes (ESP) and Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL) approaches in higher education. The paper concludes by suggesting strategies for improving economic terminology teaching to prepare globally competent specialists capable of effective professional communication in English.

Keywords: English terminology, economics education, international communication, ESP, CLIL, globalization, professional competence, translation of terms

Introduction

The 21st century has witnessed a significant transformation in global education and communication, driven by the rapid development of technology and international integration. In this context, English has firmly established itself as the dominant language of international economics, science, and diplomacy. The ability to use English economic terminology accurately and confidently has become an essential component of professional competence for economists, financiers, managers, and other international specialists.

Today, the economic sphere functions within a framework of international cooperation and global markets. Economic theories, financial instruments, and corporate practices are discussed,

published, and implemented in English. Thus, proficiency in English economic terminology is not only a linguistic skill but a professional necessity.

In universities, especially in the training of future economists and international business specialists, the effective teaching of English terminology enables students to access up-to-date scientific literature, participate in global projects, and engage in professional discourse with peers from different countries. Consequently, the role of English in economics education goes beyond language acquisition—it shapes professional identity and global thinking.

The present article aims to analyze the significance of English terminology in the field of economics education and its function in training international specialists, as well as to offer recommendations for improving its teaching methodology.

Theoretical Foundations of English Terminology in Economics

1. The Concept of Terminology

Terminology is defined as the set of words and expressions that represent specific concepts within a particular field of knowledge. In economics, terminology serves as the linguistic system that encodes theories, laws, and processes of economic activity. English economic terminology, therefore, functions as a specialized lexical subsystem of the English language that facilitates professional communication in finance, management, marketing, and trade.

The system of economic terms reflects the dynamic nature of global markets. It continuously expands through borrowing, neologisms, and semantic shifts. For example, terms such as *outsourcing*, *benchmarking*, *cryptocurrency*, *crowdfunding*, and *blockchain* have emerged as reflections of modern economic realities.

2. The Dominance of English in Economic Communication

The predominance of English in the field of economics is historically linked to the global influence of English-speaking countries on world trade, finance, and academic research. According to studies by McCloskey (2016) and Crystal (2012), over 80% of international economic publications are produced in English. Furthermore, most multinational corporations conduct internal communication, documentation, and negotiations in English.

This dominance has transformed English economic terminology into a **lingua franca of global business and education**. As a result, students and specialists worldwide must develop competence in this linguistic domain to engage effectively in the global professional community.

Linguistic Features and Classification of English Economic Terms

1. Structural and Semantic Characteristics

English economic terminology demonstrates a variety of linguistic structures, including:

- Simple terms: profit, demand, market, trade, cost;
- Compound terms: supply chain, tax policy, capital flow;
- Abbreviations and acronyms: GDP, WTO, IMF, ROI, IPO;
- Borrowed terms from Latin, French, or other languages: credit, budget, deficit, tariff, inflation.

Semantically, economic terms are characterized by high precision, abstraction, and a tendency toward internationalization. They often represent universal concepts that transcend cultural and linguistic boundaries, though some may acquire specific meanings in local contexts.

2. Formation and Development of Terms

Economic terms are created and developed through several mechanisms:

- **Word formation**: derivation (*monetary monetization*), compounding (*cash flow*), conversion (*to fund fund*);
 - **Borrowing**: especially from Latin (*inflatio*), French (*entrepreneur*), or Japanese (*keiretsu*);
 - Metaphorical extension: e.g., economic bubble, liquidity freeze, market crash;
- Abbreviation and acronymization, which simplify complex concepts for easier communication.

These linguistic processes reflect the constant evolution of global economic phenomena and the adaptability of the English language to technological and social changes.

English Terminology in Economics Education

1. The Role of ESP (English for Specific Purposes)

The ESP approach plays a fundamental role in teaching English to economics students. It focuses on the development of language skills directly related to professional contexts—reading financial reports, writing analytical essays, participating in discussions, and interpreting statistical data.

In this approach, vocabulary acquisition centers around domain-specific terminology. For instance, students must understand how terms like *macroeconomic stability*, *foreign direct investment*, or *exchange rate volatility* are used in authentic discourse.

According to Dudley-Evans and St. John (1998), ESP teaching combines linguistic competence with professional expertise, enabling students to use English not only for communication but also as a tool of thought and analysis in their field.

2. CLIL Approach and Integration into Economics Curricula

The **Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL)** method allows students to study economics subjects directly in English. This dual-focused approach enhances both content mastery and language proficiency.

For example, courses such as *International Finance*, *Macroeconomics*, or *Business Analytics* may be taught entirely in English, thereby exposing students to authentic terminology and discourse. In Uzbekistan and many other non-English-speaking countries, this approach has proven effective in producing graduates who are capable of operating confidently in international environments.

3. Teaching Techniques and Materials

Effective instruction in economic terminology requires:

- authentic materials (economic journals, news reports, podcasts, and case studies);
- terminological glossaries and bilingual dictionaries;
- corpus-based learning tools that show real usage of terms in context (e.g., COCA, BNC, or financial corpora);
- interactive learning activities such as debates, presentations, and simulations of business meetings.

Incorporating these methods helps students acquire not only vocabulary but also pragmatic skills essential for professional communication.

Translation and Cross-Cultural Issues in Economic Terminology

1. Equivalence and Cultural Adaptation

Translating English economic terms into other languages presents challenges of equivalence and cultural adaptation. Some terms have no direct equivalents due to differences in economic systems or institutional frameworks. For instance, terms like *hedge fund* or *securities exchange commission* may not have perfect counterparts in Uzbek or Russian economic terminology.

Therefore, translators and educators often rely on strategies such as **transliteration**, **calque translation**, or **descriptive translation** to ensure clarity. Maintaining terminological consistency is crucial for avoiding semantic ambiguity in academic and professional communication.

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2. Influence of Globalization on Local Terminology

Globalization has led to widespread borrowing of English economic terms into other languages. Uzbek, for example, has adopted words such as *marketing*, *leasing*, *startup*, and *investment project* with minimal adaptation. While this facilitates communication, it can also lead to excessive Anglicization and loss of native terminological identity.

Hence, educators must strike a balance between adopting international terms and preserving linguistic integrity by developing localized equivalents where appropriate.

The Importance of English Terminology in the Professional Training of International Specialists

The mastery of English economic terminology provides international specialists with several key advantages:

1. Access to Global Knowledge.

Most economic research, journals, and policy reports are published in English. Understanding terminology allows specialists to engage with cutting-edge ideas and methodologies.

1. Effective Professional Communication.

Specialists need to participate in international conferences, negotiations, and projects. Precise use of terminology ensures clarity and credibility.

2. Career Advancement and Employability.

Multinational companies and international organizations prioritize candidates with strong command of professional English, including economic terminology.

3. Intercultural Competence.

Terminological knowledge enhances the ability to interpret cultural nuances and communicate effectively across linguistic boundaries.

4. Contribution to National Development.

In countries like Uzbekistan, where economic modernization depends on international cooperation, English-proficient economists serve as vital mediators between local and global markets.

Challenges in Teaching and Learning Economic Terminology

Despite its importance, several obstacles hinder the effective mastery of English terminology in economics education:

- Limited exposure to authentic materials and real-life contexts;
- Over-reliance on translation-based learning, rather than contextual understanding;

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- Insufficient teacher training in ESP and CLIL methodologies;
- Terminological overload, where students face too many new terms without adequate reinforcement.

To overcome these issues, educators must apply communicative, task-based, and corpusdriven approaches that focus on active usage rather than passive memorization.

Practical Recommendations

- 1. **Integrate English economic terminology** across all economics-related courses, not only in language classes.
- 2. **Develop specialized glossaries and databases** of key economic terms in English and their equivalents in Uzbek.
- 3. **Encourage students to conduct mini-research projects** using English economic literature.
- 4. **Organize interdisciplinary seminars** where economics and English teachers collaborate.
- 5. **Promote digital learning** using online corpora, business news platforms, and AI-based translation tools for authentic practice.

Conclusion

English economic terminology has become an indispensable component of global education and professional training. It provides a linguistic and conceptual bridge connecting students and specialists to the international economic community.

In the education of international specialists, particularly in non-English-speaking countries like Uzbekistan, mastering English terminology in economics is not merely a language task—it is a vital part of professional competence, enabling future economists to operate effectively in the global market.

To meet the demands of globalization, universities must continuously refine teaching methodologies, integrate English-medium instruction, and strengthen interdisciplinary cooperation. In doing so, they will cultivate a new generation of specialists who can think globally, act locally, and communicate professionally in English.

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