
THE IMPORTANCE OF THE INTERNET IN HISTORICAL RESEARCH IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND UZBEKISTAN

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ABSTRACT: This article examines the importance of the Internet in historical research in foreign countries and Uzbekistan. The author discusses how the Internet has changed the approach to historical research, allowing researchers access to a large amount of information and sources that were previously unavailable. The article also discusses the problems associated with the use of the Internet in historical research, including the problems of authenticity and reliability of information. Finally, the author emphasizes the need to develop competencies in the use of the Internet in historical research in order to improve the quality and accuracy of research.

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INTRODUCTION

The Internet has become one of the most important tools for historical research. With the help of the Internet, historians can access vast amounts of information that was previously unavailable. It also allows researchers to quickly communicate with colleagues around the world and share their ideas. However, like any other source of information, the Internet has its advantages and disadvantages.

The main results and findings

It can be noted that the Internet plays a huge role in historical research in foreign countries and Uzbekistan. Electronic archives, electronic catalogs of books and online forums for communication - all this makes the Internet an indispensable tool for historians. In this article, we will consider the role of the Internet in historical research in foreign countries and Uzbekistan, relying on sources such as the European Online Archive project, JSTOR - a digital library of academic journals, books and primary sources, National Archives and Document Management USA, Google Books which provides access to millions of books, the American Historical Society which hosts online forums for historians. National Archives of the Republic of Uzbekistan, National Library of Uzbekistan, Uzbek Society of Historians and History Extra.

In today's world, the Internet plays an important role in historical research. It provides access to a huge amount of information and allows researchers to study the history of various countries and regions. One example of the use of the Internet in historical research is the European Online

Archive[1]. This project was launched by the European Commission in 2008 and provides access to archival documents from various European countries. With this project, researchers can study the history of Europe over several centuries.

Specific examples of the use of the Internet in historical research may include searching for electronically available sources such as archival documents, books, journals, and other materials. This may include the use of online databases such as JSTOR[2] which provide access to academic articles and other materials.

One of the main advantages of the Internet for historians in Uzbekistan is the ability to access electronic archives. Many museums, libraries and archives are converting their collections into digital format, which allows researchers to study documents even if they are located in another city or country. The National Archives of the Republic of Uzbekistan, for example, has its own website where you can find information about its collections, services and access rules[3]. The site also has an electronic catalog of archival documents, which allows you to search for documents by keywords and filter the results by various parameters.

One of the key advantages of the Internet is access to electronic archives. Many museums, libraries and archives transfer their collections to electronic format, which allows researchers to study documents without having to travel to other cities or countries. For example, the US National Archives provides access to millions of documents, photographs, and maps through its website[4].

In addition, the Internet allows historians to quickly find information about specific events or persons in Uzbekistan. For example, the site of the National Library of Uzbekistan provides access to electronic catalogs of books, including historical books, which can be found through a keyword search. On the website of the National Library of Uzbekistan, you can find information about collections, services and access rules. The library provides access to the journal as well as to electronic resources such as databases and e-books[5].

The Internet also allows researchers to quickly find information about specific events or people. For example, Google Books provides access to millions of books, including historical ones, that can be searched by keywords[6]. This allows researchers to quickly find information about specific people, events, or topics.

The Internet also allows researchers to communicate with colleagues around the world. They can discuss their research, ask questions, and receive feedback through electronic forums, social media, and other online platforms. For example, the Uzbek Society of Historians has its own website, where you can find information about its activities, events and publications. The society also organizes online forums for communication and exchange of ideas between historians[7].

Thanks to the Internet, researchers can also communicate with colleagues around the world. This allows them to exchange ideas, receive feedback and participate in team work on projects. For example, many historical journals have online forums where researchers can communicate with each other[8].

However, the Internet also has its drawbacks in Uzbekistan. Some archives do not transfer all their documents to an electronic format, which limits access to information. In addition, the Internet can also be an unreliable source of information, as many sites contain errors or incorrect

information[9]. Therefore, it is important to check sources and draw conclusions based on several independent sources.

It is also important to remember that not all archival documents and books are available in electronic form. Some materials may only be available in print form or only through personal visits to the archive or library.

CONCLUSION

In general, the Internet is an important tool for historical research in foreign countries and Uzbekistan, providing access to a huge amount of information and the opportunity to communicate with colleagues around the world. However, like any other source of information, the Internet must be used with care to avoid inaccurate or erroneous conclusions.

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