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Abstract

The article represents the review of the volume Methodology of ethno-psychological research of the author Mictat Garlan, published at Lumen Publishing House. The volume appears as a methodological application, accounting research of Dobrogea area, typical of inter-ethnicity and interrelation of existing co inhabiting minority. The research suggests the interested public on ethno-psychological studies using a wide sampling of quantitative methodological instruments, questionnaires Bogardus - 1995 and PPN - 50, also focusing on design and functionality of a model of investigating the most appropriate and effective in collecting, processing and interpretation of data compared to other directions presented in the literature.

The present review aims to expose the defining issues of the published volume, on a context of a real requirement of understanding and reporting of the majority-minority relationship of at the social-political situation of Romania.

Keywords

Review, Methodology of ethno-psychological research, Garlan Mictat

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**Introduction**

Volume Methodology of ethno-psychological research of the author Garlan Mictat presents an application for methodological studies in inter relations and ethnicity values without being considered a treaty of methodology. Through its informational consistency, the volume exhibits a total of 12 complementary chapters of the ethno-psychology field, in the first chapter being exposed the problematic of ethnic relationship in the current report between the majority –minority and ethnic-psychology concepts, its object being the discovery and description of ethnic components specific to the studied communities.

Volume is the result of a laborious approach, occurring at a time when relations between majority and minority, as representations of the distribution of social justice, are an essential term of political creation. Research is a source of revelation to the status of these relationships, their knowledge and their evaluation in an objective manner being a strength in the initiation of a subsequent interventions in the field.

**Aspects of the text reviewed**

Research presented in reviewed volume takes over investigative procedures from the field of social psychology, especially in the study of relational phenomena but also from the field of differential psychology, for study of ethnic constituent features.

Through his efforts, the author did a scoping of investigation on the psychosocial aspect of ethnic relations and especially the ethno-psychological of the national specificity. Dr. Garlan Mictat in its research focused on design and functionality of a most appropriate and effective investigation model in collecting, processing and interpreting data compared to other directions present in the literature.

In large activity of bibliographical information and documentation of the author, have been covered the most important Romanian and foreign works devoted to nations’ psychology in general, and especially Romanian people psychology. Following this analysis, the author concluded that between individual and group characteristics are a stable relationship of mutual influence, the same list of traits of individual psychology can be adapted for group study features in the form of modal character profiles, and techniques for assessment of these events are very different. Is emphasized the ability to select of the author, the critical
ordering of results and conclusions reached by various authors who have proposed to carry out the psychological profile on the example of the Romanian people.

It can be noticed the application of a historical perspective and in the current status of treating of minorities inhabiting currently existing in Dobrogea, being a significant aspect for proper assessment of relations within the interethnic Romanian model. Study of different ethnic communities Turkish, Tatar, Russian-Lippovan, Greek, Italian, Ukrainian and Roma is made with exigency and scientific quality, the soundness noticed in using of methodology.

Methodologically, the volume contains detailed the used specific quantitative research instruments, the author as a researcher, using questionnaires Bogardus - 1995 and PPN - 50, which has undergone to rigorous analysis from the perspective of his model, introducing the necessary corrections and reformulations.

Methodological advantages of these changes increase the originality of research and identify the possibility of verifying, re-testing and re-comparing of the results which were obtained from other research conducted with the same instrument, comparability of ethnic distances obtained, as expressions of relations between communities.

Conclusions

Establishing a set of values conducive to the investigated communities, using with responsibility and objectivity methodological tools and also a meticulous presentation of research results, are some significant issues we considered important to mention.

Analytical ability and interest presented to the vast issue developed by the author represents criteria of quality scientific research.

Therefore, I consider volume reviewed a successful contribution to the methodological basis for researches in the field of ethnic relationships, the accessibility of the text for the interested public being represented by the characteristic of writing quality, besides its accuracy and explanatory nature.

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