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Approaches to the study of social situation and its subjective interpretation

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The results of the theoretical and methodological analysis of the problem of understanding and explaining social reality from the point of view of the situational and personal approaches have been presented in the article. From the perspective of the situational approach the study of social situations is based on the investigation of the situational causes of action. Researchers are interested in revealing the causes conditioning the change of behavior in time - an individual's adaptation to changing situational conditions. From the viewpoint of the personality approach the study of situations must be based on an individual's characterological features, behavior of whom is derived from interpsychic processes. The conclusions have been made that it is necessary to rest on the personal and situational approach for a comprehensive study of the personality's psychological picture of the world, because it is impossible to study the personality and environment surrounding it independently of one another. It has been proved that the personality and environment should be studied in unity, and an emotional experience can serve as a measurement unit - an active attitude of the individual to a situation. Thanks to the works of K.Z. Lewin (2000, 2001) and L.S. Vygotsky (2000), the concept about the fact that behavior is not determined by the situation which can be described «objectively», but the situation as it is given to the subject in his experiences, is already generally accepted one. © 2018.

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