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Prospects of theological education in a multicultural region

The article focuses on the need for the development of theological education in modern Russian society, whose multiculturalism and multinationality require the training of specialists who have a professional level of knowledge of the religious foundations of traditional religions that largely determine the world outlook of the peoples of the country. According to the authors of the article, an increase in the number of literate theologians will contribute to the effective conduct of inter-confessional dialogue and the attainment of a worldview consensus that will reduce the negative impact of destructive non-traditional religious movements on the Russian people who need religious education today. The example of the North-Caucasus federal university shows the achievements of the new theological branch of scientific knowledge and educational activities, as well as the difficulties that arise in its formation.

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