

Editorial

The year 2017, the first in the third epoch of Luz, is about to end. Since March we have been involved in the magazine's fifteenth-year celebration, which ended last October 26.

We offer in this issue a considerable quantity of works dedicated to higher education and research, mainly in the field of technical and professional education.

Strategy of management of the scientific popularization for the local development aimed at university professors, is a work of authors from Santiago de Cuba that reviews in the management of the scientific popularization for the local development aimed at professors of Cuban municipal university centers; *Experiences of professional upgrading in an university library*, tries to show those experiences, obtained in the library Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra, of the University of Holguín, with significant results. Also directed to the upgrading of the professors is *The upgrading of the high school teaching staff of Mathematics in Huambo: a challenge to their professionalization*, which offers a pedagogic strategy that enriches the process of these teachers' permanent formation. In the same context of the high school education appears *Strategic design for the implementation of the Pedagogic Laboratory of Social Sciences*, it is the second work of a trilogy whose first article was offered in the previous issue, and that seeks the adaptation to the subject's context to the heuristic of the discovery and maintenance and conservation of the memory of the learning by the student, researching in the prevailing pedagogic paradigm and the ethnological and sociological variables of the investigated application field.

The labor theme is approached from different points of view, and three articles deal with it. *The university extension work within the labor component in the major of Trade Engineering in the Campus Bahía de Caráquez of the Lay University Eloy Alfaro in Manabí*, proposes a pedagogic strategy for its improvement. More involved in the formative aspect of the theme is *Experiences on the labor-research formation of the in-training professionals*, showing the strategy used in the major Labor Education-Informatics in order to achieve a high standard training in the context of the labor-research practice. And with a very interesting view and treating a seldom dealt matter, *Anthropologic perspective on labor formation: an educational necessity* carries out a theoretical analysis of the role of anthropology in the educational ambit.

In a country such as Cuba, with an economy centered in farming production, the research in this topic is vital. That is the objective of *Farming education for the in-training qualified technician of Veterinary Zootechnics, aimed at the production of animal food*. Oriented towards the work of professors is *Historic evolution of the scientific-methodological work management in the Cuban institutions of Technic and Professional Education*. *Diagnostic study on the management of the methodological work in the Municipal Education Offices* is an article that considers the need of researching on the structural functioning of the Education Municipal Offices and the training of the CEOs for the management of the methodological work.

Another topic that deserves a constant attention and specific action is the environmental education. *The environmental education: ways to favor a healthy lifestyle*, offers reflections and alternative for its implementation.

The module *Luz* this time rewards the readers with *Defining dimension of Luz y Caballero's struggle against the spiritualistic eclecticism of the 19th century*, which outlines, among other matters, the social and political causes that favored the birth of that movement.

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