Kobzar O.F., Darahan V.V. Areas of improvement of training National police pre-trial investigators. The article deals with defining directions for improving the training of specialists for pre-trial investigation bodies of the National Police. Every year, more demanding demands are placed on law enforcement activities of state bodies, in particular the National Police, which in turn requires an increase in the amount of knowledge required by police officers. Increasing the intellectual level of criminals, using offenders more sophisticated methods and means of committing offenses, careful training, masking criminal acts require adequate response of law enforcement agencies, which in turn requires appropriate training of Interior Ministry employees.

An analysis of the publications which initiated the solution of this problem showed that today there is a lack of thorough research on the directions of improving the training of specialists for the bodies of pre-trial investigation of the National Police, which determines the relevance of the investigated problems. At present, within the structure of higher education institutions of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine, the specialization of training police officers is focused only on the process of training police officers of criminal police (Dnipropetrovsk State University of Internal Affairs - financial and economic security; Odessa State University of Internal Affairs - units of counteraction etc.). In turn, the process of training specialists for pre-trial investigation bodies does not have such an extensive system of training areas.

As a result of the conducted research, it is concluded that there is an urgent need to improve the training of specialists for pre-trial investigation bodies of the National Police. The main directions for improving the training of specialists for the pre-trial investigation bodies of the National Police should be: 1) increasing the requirements for the quality of legal education and professional training of future employees of investigative units; 2) introduction of training of experts for pre-trial investigation bodies according to the profiles assigned by the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine; 3) introduction of an effective model of conducting binary classes with the involvement of experienced staff of pre-trial investigation bodies in the process of training specialists for such bodies.

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