

Traditions and cultures

Sociology



Traditions and Cultures In the contemporary society that is composed of diverse groups of people, it is particularly important to honor their traditions without inadvertently disadvantaging anyone. This is achieved through promotion of mutual appreciation in stead of tolerance. Indeed, there is a tremendous difference between these two terms. On the one hand, when the society is tolerant of other cultures, there is a shade of meaning that those cultures are able to harm the social environment in some way. On the other hand, when people mutually appreciate their differenced, they acknowledge that a different culture is able to bring something positive into their life. This means that no group is being disadvantages as everyone accepts the differences and tries to find something beneficial in it.

Speaking of cultural strategies that would have the cultural traditions be preserved and respected while simultaneously recognizing commonalities, one might note the phenomenon of Christmas. This holiday is particularly important for the Christian part of the society; however other ethnicities respect it as well. In addition to that, Christians pay their respect to holidays like Kwanza or Hanukah, though it is completely out of their religion. In other words, this spirit of brotherhood that is being spread in the society is what allows people to maintain their peculiarities and celebrate their unity. As a result, everyone is provided with the necessary space to have their traditions, but this space does not take away anything from other cultures which ensures that every part of the society is able to develop properly.