

PROFESSOR IN ORDINARIUS ENVER ZIYA KARAL'S HISTORY UNDERSTANDING AND HIS SUPPORT TO WHY-HOW HISTORY WRITING METHOD

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Abstract

One of the outstanding of Professor in Ordinarius Enver Ziya Karal is the scientific understanding that he has developed for Turkish history and history of education. He is a scientist who has led Turkey to have the mentality of Western science and methods by giving importance to first-hand sources, avoiding random interpretations and adopting using sources critically as a principle.

It is beheld that two significant processes are effective in shaping Proffessor in Ordinarius Enver Ziya Karal's history notion. His having undergraduate education in France in 1929-1933 (the last year of which is pedagogical internship and aborted postgraduate education) and the historical progress in West is one of the significant processes, and the other one is the change of Ottoman Empire historian in 20th century. This motion that sprang in Proffessor in Ordinarius Enver Ziya Karal has contributed to his why-how perspective of history writing method.

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