

# Research on the Integration of Revolutionary Culture into the Civic and Political Education of College Students

## -- Taking Railway Transportation Vocational Colleges as an Example

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### Abstract

Revolutionary culture learning and education is an organically formed part of ideological and political education, as well as a new content of ideological and political education in the new era and a new direction for the cultivation of ideology and politics in colleges and universities. The two are in the same breath, whether in the pursuit of the goal or the path of cultivation, there is a large degree of coincidence. Based on the current situation of ideological and political education for the cultivation of railroad transportation talents, this paper puts forward several reference paths for the organic combination of revolutionary culture education and ideological and political education in railroad transportation vocational colleges and universities by keeping in mind the actual situation: the power of role models leads, professional ethics drives, craftsmanship navigates, and media resources infiltrates in a bid to enhance the cultivation effect of high-quality professional railroad talents in the new era of the party and the country.

### Keywords

Revolutionary culture; Civic and political education in colleges and universities; Urban railway transportation courses.

### 1. Introduction

At present, China's rail transportation construction is in the golden period of deepening development. And higher vocational colleges and universities, as the main source of training of rail transportation talents, the development of rail transportation majors in major colleges and universities is thriving, and the scale of schooling is constantly expanding. In the golden period of the construction of modern comprehensive transportation system, according to the national requirements for the cultivation of socialist railway talents in the new era, the corresponding revolutionary culture and ideological education system needs to be built. Standing at the starting point of the new journey of national development, as the next generation of the country's successors, the contemporary railroaders should not only have solid professional knowledge and professional skills, but also should have the mission and responsibility as a generation growing up in the background of the country's takeoff, keeping in mind the historical facts, searching for the source of the origin, guarding the revolutionary achievements of the forefathers and the valuable spirit of the history of the national development of the takeoff to know the reasons why, and to know and then do, so that the knowledge and action are in unity. In summary, how to cultivate a new generation of railway inheritors without distraction, meticulous craftsmanship and master skills at the same time, to do to inspire students to serve the country with science and technology of the national sentiment and mission to cultivate the

party and the country in the new era of high-quality professional railway talent is the mother of this paper to think about.

## **2. The Value Articulation between the Rail Transportation Profession and Revolutionary Culture**

### **2.1. Relevance of Goal Pursuit**

At present, the cultivation direction of urban rail transit class majors is mainly oriented to urban rail transit and other related industries, according to the needs of industry-related positions, to cultivate composite high-quality technical talents with good professional ethics, mastering the theory of rail transit construction engineering and communication system maintenance skills, adapting to the process of sustainable social development, and having the ability of lifelong learning. According to the author in various websites statistics show that, as of the end of 2020, China has hundreds of senior vocational colleges and universities have opened the relevant specialties, the total number of schools in the national higher vocational colleges and universities in the total of nearly one-tenth, can be seen in China's rail transit institutions enrollment scale is gradually expanding, in the school student population is huge.

According to the industry analysis and forecast report shows that: the next five years, China's urban population growth trend is not reduced, the population growth net value of nearly 100 million. The growth in the number of urban population means that the overall acceleration of the urbanization process, but also marks the arrival of the urban rail transit industry's very rapid expansion phase. That is to say, in the next five years, the rail transit industry not only undertakes the important strategic task of the construction of the national modern comprehensive transportation system, but also serves as the "reserve army" for the high-quality development of the national urbanization construction. As a basic strategic industry in the national economy, this is not only an inevitable requirement for the industry to adapt to the new normal of economic development, but also a development opportunity for the industry to play a leading role. This also means that the new requirements of the industry to deepen the reform urgently need the support of high-quality railroad talents with socialist core values, and ideological and political education is increasingly being emphasized by higher vocational colleges and universities. In this context, rail transportation colleges and universities have also optimized the moral education curriculum system to improve the level of ideological construction and political quality of rail transportation students in an all-round way.

In the national conference on ideological and political work in colleges and universities, General Secretary Xi said: "Ideological and political work is fundamentally the work of people, we must focus on the students, care for the students, serve the students, and constantly improve the level of students' thinking, political awareness, moral quality, cultural literacy, so that the students will become both morally and ethically talented and all-rounded development of talents." In his speech at the mobilization meeting for the study of Party history and education, the General Secretary emphasized, "We should grasp the study and education of young people, focus on telling the story of the Party, the story of the revolution, the story of the heroes, to plant the love of the Party, patriotism, love of socialism, so that the red genes, the flame of the revolution will be passed down from one generation to the next." To sum up, based on the perspective of "value goal", the goal pursuits of professional ideological education of railway transportation and revolutionary culture education coincide with each other, and both of them are to cultivate "builders and successors of the socialist cause" as the core meaning.

### **2.2. Convergence of Parenting Paths**

Since the 18th CPC National Congress, General Secretary Xi Jinping has visited the red holy places many times, remembered the revolutionary martyrs, told the red stories, and made

important instructions for passing on the red gene and carrying forward the spirit of the old regions. Revolutionary culture emerged during the New Culture Movement, took shape during the New Democratic Revolution, and grew during the Socialist Revolution and the period of reform and opening-up. Looking back at the national bloodline, our revolutionary struggle for rebirth through thousands of difficulties and dangers is precisely the concentrated display of generations of Chinese children who are brave in revolution and dare to innovate. The intersection of revolutionary culture and civic education is not only the inevitable development goal of implementing and carrying forward the heritage of revolutionary culture, but also an innovative guide for student workers to guide and educate the value of young students in the new era and the path of growth. Revolutionary culture covers the May Fourth spirit of "not to spread wings high, in vain", the Red Boat spirit of "the original heart never forgets to set off the waves, the mission to take up the ship", the Yan'an spirit of "the dark night of the Zaoyuan Garden burns the fire, the shocking waves of the kiln to salvage the waves", and the Yan'an spirit of "the dark night of the Zaoyuan Garden". "The spirit of Yan'an, the spirit of Xibaipo, the spirit of "not relaxing when taking the examination in Beijing, and not stopping the revolution and construction". Contemporary college students when the history of the material, the history of morality, history education, precipitation of their own ideals, sharpening the faith, in order to inherit the revolutionary culture in the lifelong learning and work, in the thorny ground and the sky of the situation in the spirit of the eternal struggle to move forward.

For rail transportation students, the term "revolutionary culture" contains a richer meaning of survival and more profound inheritance connotation: "Railway Soldiers" development history. The predecessor of the "railroad soldiers" is the Northeast People's Liberation Army Road Guard. In the era of smoke and mirrors, the railroad soldiers provided protection for the transportation of combat materials and equipment. During the liberation period, the Railway Corps ensured the railroad transportation for the liberation of the country. When the country was waiting to be rebuilt, the railroad soldiers put themselves into the construction of new China's railroads, fighting in the north and south of the Yangtze River, and fighting in the dangerous mountains and rivers. In the era of peace, in response to the army's call for outstanding construction, the Railwaymen were withdrawn. However, the "Railwayman Spirit" has a long history and is everlasting. In the 1980s, the Railway Corps was officially renamed as "Railway Corps Engineering Command", which is now China Railway Construction Corporation. From the railway soldiers in the past to the infrastructure people nowadays, this kind of spirit of not being afraid of hardships and dangers has been passed on from generation to generation, which is a valuable heritage and professional bloodline left by history to the students of rail transportation majors nowadays.

The core of education in vocational colleges and universities lies in the "integration of work and study, unity of knowledge and action", which emphasizes the comprehensive vocational quality and development ability of students. However, due to the growth of economic downward pressure and the rapid tightening of the job market, most of the higher vocational colleges and universities function to improve the employment rate of graduates by catering to the market-oriented schooling, the direct consequence of this choice is that in the process of cultivation, the formation of a vicious circle of only targeting the employment rate and ignoring the quality of cultivation and education, the Civic and Political Education in the employment of the data under the bundling of the gradual "shrinkage", the trend of formalism. "In 2020, General Secretary Xi pointed out: "We should pay attention to strengthening the ideological and political education in schools, the spirit of patriotism throughout the whole process of education at all levels and in all types of schools, the love of China's seed into the depths of each young person's heart."

Therefore, as a student worker should seriously think about how to carry out integrated planning from a variety of ways and means, make full use of the existing educational resources

of higher vocational colleges and universities, and think about more possibilities for the ways and means of student work. The attempt to combine the revolutionary culture education with the ideological and political education courses is not only a brand new practice to guide the students to understand the theory of socialism with Chinese characteristics in the new era, but also the newest point to set up correct ideological concepts on the path of young people's own life. The popularization and guidance of revolutionary culture is a new direction for cultivating high-quality applied transportation talents in the new era, and it is an organic part of the ideological and political education system in colleges and universities, so the two combined paths of education have a complementary role, and they are deeply compatible with each other, and they have a starting point of "establishing morality and educating people" as the core of the ideological and political education in colleges and universities.

### **3. How to Implement Good Revolutionary Culture Education in Ideological and Political Education**

#### **3.1. Introducing the Power of Role Models into Teaching**

Setting up correct role models is an effective means to realize moral education. The predecessor of the "railroad soldiers" is the Northeast People's Liberation Army Road Guard, which played an important military and economic role in the War of Resistance against the United States and North Korea and the People's War of Liberation. They were also involved in the repair of the Songhua River Railway Bridge, and are known as the "Railway Guards". In the era of peace, the history of China's rail transit construction still emerged many outstanding scientists, these scientists do not forget the original intention, remember the mission, to serve the motherland as their highest honor, is the goal of all rail transit workers forward. For example, presided over the construction of China's independent design of the Beijing-Zhangzhou Railway, and created our unique method of Comrade Zhan Tianyou.

Pioneered a new field of railroad system dynamics, the creation of "Zhai-Sun model" of Zhai Wanming academician. These predecessors served the people wholeheartedly and devoted their wisdom and enthusiasm, youth and strength to the cause of national railroad construction, creating great economic and social benefits for the society and even the nation. In the epidemic raging, the world economy downward trend has become larger, the world trade friction intensified under the background, the revolutionary spirit of contemporary youth when the science and technology to develop the country, is the knowledge of the country as its own responsibility, to do with the knowledge of the armed mind at the same time, with the inheritance of the spirit of the armed mind.

Based on the perspective of "the essence of the same frequency", the revolutionary culture and the history of railway development is inseparable, to cultivate students' inheritance and creation of the excellent revolutionary traditional culture, we should take the power of the role model of the construction of advanced socialist culture as a starting point, and combine the "two histories", not only to make students build up the revolutionary spirit in the history of professional development, but also to make students learn the history of the development of professionalism, and to build up the revolutionary spirit of students. Students should establish professional identity and sense of mission in the history of professional development, and also cultivate the excellent revolutionary qualities of unforgetfulness, hard work and seeking truth from facts in the education of revolutionary culture for young students in the new era.

#### **3.2. Introduce Craftsmanship into Teaching**

"Craftsmanship" contains comprehensive qualities such as professional ethics, professional ability and professional quality, reflecting the conceptual orientation and value standards of practitioners. The basic connotation of "craftsmanship" includes dedication, excellence,

concentration, innovation and other aspects. Since the 18th CPC National Congress, General Secretary Xi has made a series of important remarks on promoting the spirit of model workers and the spirit of craftsmen, which provides a fundamental guideline for us to further deepen our understanding of the spirit of craftsmen. As the cornerstone of the transportation system, the theoretical propaganda and practical guidance of the spirit of craftsmanship on campus is not only important for the cultivation of the comprehensive quality of college students, but also has a guiding effect on the construction of the future railway talent team.

Due to the special nature of the source of higher vocational students, students are more inclined to skill-based learning habits, coupled with the widespread implementation of the "order-based education", which provides students with a certain guarantee of employment home. Under the attribution, the students' learning embodiment and the awareness of independent progress is relatively insufficient. Even some of the student body there is slack thinking, lethargy and boredom, spiritual emptiness and other bad atmosphere, and the social requirements of college students vibrant, active and enterprising is extremely inconsistent. As the most direct source of spiritual strength of college students in the new era, the ideological education work of colleges and universities should be planned in advance, for college students to prepare "spiritual food". Student workers should play a good intimate partner of college students and the dual role of mentor and friend, leading college students to establish career aspirations and life goals, not only in the student body to create an academic atmosphere of hard work, but also to do the young people's ideological path of the "light," "directional standard. ".

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They can make full use of the second classroom and diversified new media works to show the combination of craftsmanship and daily work, and guide the students with noble personality and professionalism, so that the students can feel the revolutionary spirit and the power of faith, and at the same time, motivate themselves to learn their professional skills hard and form the learning and working style of strict self-discipline.

### **3.3. Introduce Professional Ethics into Teaching**

Only during the three years of 2009-2012, three rail transit safety accidents occurred, and the final investigation results show that: major safety accidents are usually caused by the carelessness of the staff, improper attitude towards work, weak sense of professional ethics, insufficient responsibility of the staff, and weak sense of mastery and responsibility. With the booming development of rail transportation, the staff's professional ethics and people's daily safety have been closely related. As a key period for young people to develop professional ethics and responsibilities, the introduction of professional ethics into the teaching is not only a way to promote the spirit of "collectivism" and "serving the people wholeheartedly" in the revolutionary culture, but also a powerful measure to fit the ideological education to cultivate high-quality talents. It is also a powerful measure to fit the ideological education to cultivate high-quality talents. China's rail transportation industry has its distinctive "strong discipline", "heavy orders" and other cultural characteristics, puts great emphasis on the Colonel's order to obey the system. However, it is difficult to avoid the lack of humanistic care culture. To change this status quo, in addition to the relevant organizations to actively reform the management system, there is also an urgent need for colleges and universities in the ideological and political cultivation of students to focus on respect for human beings, understanding of human beings and caring for human beings in the concept of education, around the fine traditions of the revolution to promote the morality of the revolutionary period of people's morals and code of conduct, to build a systematic ideological and theoretical courses of the revolutionary culture and sublimation of the spiritual connotation of the revolutionary culture results, the



revolutionary culture of the connotation of the revolutionary culture to penitentiates young people and then form a campus atmosphere with good revolutionary and professional qualities. Chernyshevsky said, "All outstanding theoretical questions will be answered accurately in real practice." Adhering to the goal of cultivating professional ethics, we can consider starting from the perspective of integrating professional literacy and civic education, and we can link theory with practice, for example, try to rely on off-campus practical training organizations such as railroad bureaus and train stations as well as urban subways, and lead students to actively participate in experiencing the content of the work and carrying out volunteer service activities, so as to provide students with the correct value orientation and examples of action for the cultivation of professional ethics in practice. It gives students a platform to understand the revolutionary culture in off-campus practical training activities, to develop social responsibility in the society, and to practice the "locomotive" spirit of "courageous, hardworking and dedication" and the railway culture spirit of "unity, dedication, hardworking and striving to be the first" and the spirit of "unity, dedication, hardworking and striving to be the first". "The spirit of railroad culture and the sense of responsibility of "safety is above all, responsibility is heavier than Mount Tai" are practiced.

#### 4. Introducing Media Resources into Teaching

In the era of new media, the extensive development of microblogging, jittering, wechat and other types of platforms, self-media, with its flexible, easy to disseminate and other characteristics, has occupied the daily life of the people. At present, college students, as the first generation growing up in the era of new media take-off, and the group with greater freedom of time, are the group most affected by the impact of new media culture. Therefore, in the development of ideological and political education in colleges and universities, the network new media is a field that cannot be ignored. On the one hand, due to the fact that school students are mostly in the primary stage of their growth, their ability to distinguish between right and wrong is not strong, and their ideological concepts have not yet been formed, they are easily affected by the diversified information of the media. Therefore, in the daily ideological education system, students should be guided to receive information in the media. On the other hand, in order to do a good job, we must first make good use of our tools. Traditional Civic and Political Education is subject to multiple limitations such as time, personnel, space, etc., which may cause students to resist, and it is difficult to arouse their interest in learning, and may even lead to a significant reduction in the learning effect. In teaching, new media can be properly cited as an auxiliary means of teaching to the "90" college students to carry out the work of political education, such as the use of new media fast, convenient and flexible features, easier than the traditional way of lecturing to stimulate students' interest in learning. Revolutionary culture education should be based on the starting point of educating people, moral education first. First, with the help of some full of red genes of film and television works, red songs as a classroom introduction, bring students back to the revolutionary era, rekindle the youth blood; second, through case studies, group discussions and other forms of providing the same frequency communication platform, using the "herd mentality" between peers, play the "peer spirit", in order to achieve mutual promotion. Secondly, through case studies, group discussions and other forms to provide a platform for peer-to-peer exchanges, using the "herd mentality" among peers to give play to the "peer spirit", in order to achieve the purpose of promoting and influencing each other. Attract students to participate in the competition system, use activities to penetrate into the students, make full use of the "second classroom", to avoid reading from the textbook and talking about theoretical forms of education.

## 5. Conclusion

In the movie "Peak Storm" released in 2021, it tells the story of how the railroaders represent all the forces that fight to save people's lives, and it is mentioned at the end of the movie that the railroaders are the troops with the highest number of casualties in the peace era. As a political educator, our task is to "tell a good story", such a good story is worth telling to students. What kind of story we tell, the future industry and even the country's talent blueprint will have what kind of connotation. Contemporary college students should always keep the bottom of the era of pioneers, always bear the ambition to develop culture, and always save the backbone of the defense of the country, then the ideological workers, as the closest contemporary youth teachers and friends, should take the initiative to take up the "baton", "signal light" mission. And young students with the same enemy, always keep the revolutionary spirit, the courage to be the vanguard of the times, willing to dedicate themselves to the times.

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