A Research on the Path of University Students' Practice of Core Socialist Values

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Abstract. University students are the future of the motherland and the hope of the nation. In the new era university students are required to take the lead in the practice of core socialist values. China's colleges and universities implement the education of core socialist values on students. The central task is to mobilize all social forces, the use of various educational methods, and ultimately to achieve the goal of the students’ positive identity and conscious practice on core socialist values.

Introduction

The 19th National Party Congress clearly pointed out: “Core socialist values are embodied in the spirit of contemporary Chinese spirit and condensed with the common values of all the people. We focus on cultivating new generations to shoulder the responsibility of national rejuvenation, strengthen the education guidance, the sense of practice and the guarantee of system. Core socialist values play the leading role in the national education, spiritual civilization, the production of spiritual and cultural products. We should put core socialist values into all aspects of social development and into people's emotional identity and behaviors. We need adhere to the national action with the cadres taking the lead, starting from the family and the kids. We deeply uphold ideas, humanistic spirit, moral norms contained in Chinese outstanding traditional culture. We inherit and innovate them in terms of requirements of times so that Chinese culture will show a permanent charm and style.”

Strengthening the Leading Role of Examples

Constructing the exemplary education model is an effective way to lead university students to practise core socialist values autonomously. Exemplary education model is a kind of teaching method that ideological and political education workers touch the feelings of university students through disseminating good examples of practising core socialist values and learning their advanced deeds to prompt students to narrow the gap and to encourage them to practise core socialist values autonomously. In order to give full play to the role of exemplary education model to effectively lead university students to practise core socialist values, colleges and universities should focus on the following work:

First of all, ideological and political education workers not only know about the psychological status of university students, but also study their psychological characteristics. University students are in a psychological "weaning period" and turning point. Their way of thinking and moral quality has not yet fully mature and they like imitating in action. According to this feature, ideological educators should make full use of this opportunity to set good examples of practising core socialist values and lead university students in practising core socialist values autonomously.

Secondly, ideological and political education workers should pay attention to precept and example. They themselves should set a good example for others. The so-called "precept" is that the ideological and political teachers use words to interpret core socialist values and infuse its content to university students. The so-called "example" is that university teachers lead by example and take the lead in demonstrating and practising core socialist values to infect students and motivate students. As the saying goes, “If the ruler is personally upright, all will go well even though he does
not give orders. But if he is not personally upright, even though he gives orders, they will not be obeyed.” Only by insisting on the combination of precept and example can university teachers unify the power of truth and the power of personality and take the lead in practising core socialist values so as to really drive the students to act and practically implement core socialist values.

Thirdly, colleges and universities should aim at the instability and choices of contemporary university students’ values and invite some outstanding university students, famous scholars and successful entrepreneurs who practise core socialist values to hold lectures or meetings so that university students can take them as examples and know how to practise core socialist values.

Consolidating the System Construction

Perfecting the system of core values education to guide students to continuously practise and perfect the system of core values education is the fundamental guarantee for university students to continue practising core socialist values. The system of core values education includes policies and regulations at the national level, rules and regulations at the school level, and the provisions of the constitution of the caucus. At present, the establishment of our country’s system of core values education is still in its infancy. Relevant departments, school administration agencies and the caucus are required to step up their investigations and study so as to know about the practice of core socialist values in colleges and universities, to study and formulate guidelines, policies and specific systems, and to further improve university students' content, ways and means of practising core socialist values. To improve the system of core values education is to guide students to continue practising core socialist values and we should work hard in the following aspects:

Firstly, consolidate the system construction of core socialist values at the party and national levels. In order for any society to have its mainstream theory of values widely recognized and practised in accordance with its requirements, the laws of the country and the administrative laws and regulations of the government must reflect the requirements of the core values well. The Sixth Plenary Session of the 17th Party Central Committee made it clear that the construction of core socialist values is the major task of socialist cultural construction and socialist cultural system reform. The party and the nation have already shown at the institutional level that the construction of core socialist values will be an important aspect of socialist cultural construction for a long time.

Secondly, consolidate the government-level safeguard mechanism for building core socialist values. Local governments at all levels embody the construction of core socialist values in system design, formulation of policies, laws and regulations and social management, and strengthen the guarantee of mechanisms. Once the content, methods and measures for building core socialist values are elevated to laws and regulations, the pertinence and effectiveness of building core socialist values will be greatly enhanced. It requires that all levels of governments further establish and improve the laws and regulations related to the construction of core socialist values to ensure that core socialist values are established within the whole society. It is necessary for university students to adhere to the principle of integrating theory with practice, and to participate in social practice while practising core socialist values. Therefore, it is inevitable to establish a diversified social practice base. In this regard, governments at all levels should regard establishing a base for social practice as an important political task. Museums, science and technology museums, cultural centers, and patriotic education bases should all be open to university students for free.

Thirdly, we should consolidate the institutional construction of schools and caucus organizations. Schools and caucus organizations should establish and improve core socialist values education system for university students. On the one hand, education in core socialist values should be in line with the reality of the growth of university students. Students should not only recognize and practise core socialist values, but also continue practising it consciously. On the other hand, it is necessary to set up a mechanism for linkage education between schools and the society so as to bring core socialist values education closer to the real life, closer to reality and closer to the masses. Schools can also make use of the traditional festivals and major anniversaries, especially the opportunity to celebrate the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China this year to educate students on core socialist values so as to enable university students to continue practising core socialist values.
values. Building a base for social practice and promoting students into deep implementation of the building of a social practice base are the external motivations for promoting university students into deep implementation of core socialist values. The social practice base is a relatively stable platform for university students to carry out social practice. The various forms can be government agencies, public institutions, corporate enterprises, and rural streets. Only by building a good social practice base can we better promote university students to thoroughly implement core socialist values.

In order to build social practice bases and promote university students to deeply implement core socialist values, we should pay attention to the following work: First, schools should take the initiative to establish contacts with government agencies, neighborhood communities, corporate enterprises and social organizations and other units to jointly build social practice bases, and jointly promote university students to thoroughly implement core socialist values. Social practice bases play an extremely important role for university students in completing the social practice curriculum, in improving students’ practical ability and ability to innovate, and in enhancing the effectiveness of university students’ practice on core socialist values. The author's school has established a social practice base with related government organizations, enterprises and streets. Second, we must consolidate the construction of the patriotic education bases. The martyrs cemetery, museums, memorials and other patriotic education bases play an important role in the university students' practice of core socialist values. All kinds of patriotic education bases at all levels are unique windows for carrying out patriotism education and promoting core socialist values. Students can be shocked and baptized in the soul through visits so as to deepen the recognition of core socialist values and consciously practice it. Third, establish relatively stable social practice bases for university students. Only by establishing relatively stable social practice bases can we standardize, normalize and institutionalize university students' social practice. University students’ social practice base is not only a stable platform for university students to understand the society, increase their knowledge and serve the society, but also the best place for university students to practise core socialist values. It provides a powerful guarantee for university students’ social practice in the long run. The establishment of stable practice bases for university students provides a good venue for university students to practice core socialist values and helps them to practice core socialist values in an all-round way.

Improving University Students’ Self-Cultivation

Self-cultivation method refers to university students’ self-restraint and self-transformation in moral quality and moral awareness so as to achieve a noble moral self-teaching method. Initiative to enhance moral self-cultivation is essentially a self-positive good performance. Just as Marx said, the essence of moral cultivation is nothing but the continuous improvement of human nature. Self-cultivation method is that university students should be in accordance with the spirit of core socialist values and upgrade self-moral. It is an important method of self-education on core socialist values.

Moral self-cultivation often reflects the subject's activeness and initiative in moral life. During the moral self-cultivation, university students change from the object of moral norms to the subject of moral norms, and have the subjectivity of regulating their own behaviors. The normative norms of behavior proposed by core socialist values naturally translate into personal inner beliefs and then into individual conscious actions. Such a process is a practical process that university students change the subjective world while changing the objective world. Self-cultivation method truly embodies the essence of human self-improvement and fully demonstrates the unity of human highly practicalness and consciousness and demonstrates the value and dignity of self-existence. In the process of the implementation of self-cultivation method, university students should also be clear about a problem that the purpose of university students' practice of self-cultivation is to improve their own morality and make their personality perfect.

University students are both masters of their own actions and supervisors of their own actions. Therefore, this is a difficult process full of contradictions and constant correction. Individuals in this spiritual journey must constantly ask themselves and overcome themselves. Although this process is
lengthy and painful, there is no ideal personality to emerge without going through this inner self-discipline. Therefore, consciousness is always the core of self-cultivation. In short, self-education of university students' core socialist values is not only an internal link in external education of core socialist values, but also an effective way for university students to consciously enhance their personal qualities. It can be said that without the implementation of self-education, university students can only be a form of core socialist values education. Therefore, as external educators, such as teachers or parents, they should pay more attention to guidance from the behavioral habits and psychological adjustment of university students so that they can conduct self-analysis on their own initiative and actively implement self-improvement so as to become an aspiring and daring era youth.

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