

# Ideal and Belief Education for College Students under the Background of New Era

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**ABSTRACT.** *A thriving education makes a thriving country, while a powerful education makes a powerful country. To train a new generation of competent young people ready for the cause of socialism is the guideline of CPC-led education as well as the shared mission of schools at different levels. To sow for the future, college people must have lofty ideal and faith. This paper focuses on enhance the education of ideal and belief of "Chinese dream" to college students, and to explore the practical education function of the innovation of theoretical course of ideology and politics in universities.*

**KEYWORDS:** *ideal and faith education, new era, college students, core socialist values*

## 1. Research background

Education is a top priority, and it is very important for future generations. It is a fundamental requirement for human civilization and gaining knowledge, youth development and a better life. The future of the nation lies in the youth, the hope of the country lies in the youth. College students, as young people who master cultural knowledge and professional skills, must be newcomers with firm ideals and beliefs and profound patriotic feelings, and must be newcomers who care about the future and destiny of the country. The report of the 19th National Congress of the Communist Party of China has given great instructions for socialism with Chinese characteristics entering a new era. [1] In this regard, based on the new historical position, colleges and universities help college students strengthen their ideals and beliefs to supply their spiritual calcium from the construction of teaching concepts, teaching contents and other aspects, and guide them to be engraved on their personal ideals on the journey of striving to realize the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation in the great struggle, construction, project and great cause.

Ideological and political theory course is the key course to complete the basic task of moral education. Ideological and political theory course plays an irreplaceable role, and the teachers of ideological and political theory course bear a great responsibility. [2] Consequently, under the new historical conditions, it is necessary to do the work well in ideological and political education for college

students in order to strengthen their scientific belief in Marxism.

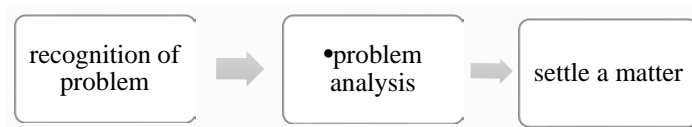


Figure.1 Flow chart of writing ideas

## 2. Research Significance

### 2.1 It is beneficial to enrich the existing research content

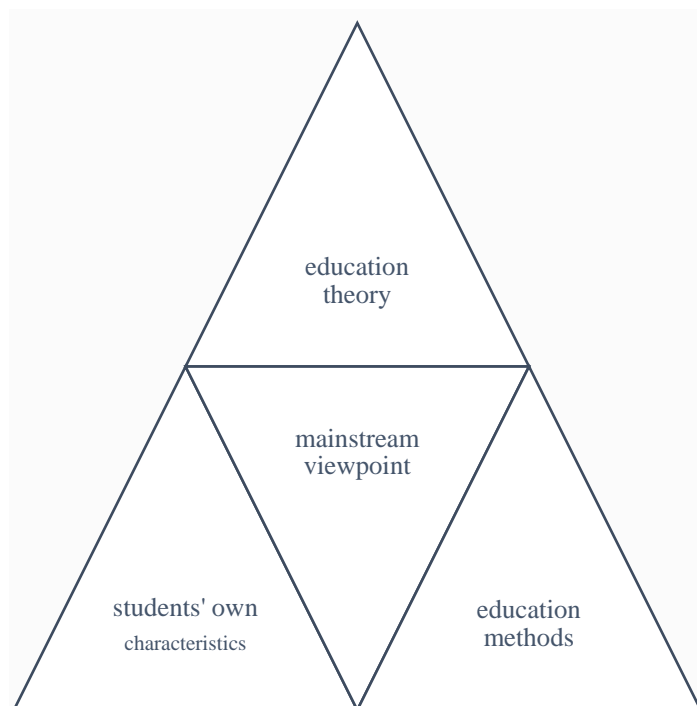


Figure. 2 Organization chart of research content

At present, the research contents of ideals and beliefs mainly focus on three aspects: education theory, students' own characteristics and education methods. Although a great deal of studies has been done, these studies are not systematic, lacking the support of first-hand data and information, and have not formed a

relatively mainstream viewpoint. [3] In this paper, the logical structure among these three aspects will be established, and the corresponding relationship chain will be obtained. As the saying goes, "Green is always the tree of life." A theory can only find inspiration in the richness of real life and the actual need of solving social problems. Exploring the successful model of ideal and belief education can help college students correct their thoughts, determine the common ideal of socialism with Chinese characteristics and create a valuable life.

### ***2.2 The need to meet the challenges of the complex and changing times***

With the development of economic globalization and domestic market economy, college students, as the darlings of new lifestyles and new ideas, are more susceptible to the influence of values. Among them, some decadent and backward ideas are eroding the minds of college students, which leads to some problems such as confusion of political beliefs, ambiguity of ideals and beliefs, incorrect value orientation and so on. For such a social period in the stage of great changes in transformation, social contradictions are diversified, so are people's demands for life philosophy. Market economic system reform, intensified social competition, and sustained development of urbanization have become the common realistic pursuit of many people, which is a social reality that people cannot escape and refute.

Many negative problems, such as lack of honesty in business activities, corruption in official circles in political activities, plagiarism in scientific research and academic studies, etc., are likely to have a great impact on students' ideals and beliefs. These shocks tend to lead them to escape from the era they live in and the historical mission they shoulder, to question the lofty and noble communist ideal, and to seek fame and profit for enjoyment. In the process of realization of life ideal and belief of life too much emphasis on utilitarianism and feasibility, too much emphasis on the importance of the material conditions of reality. In the ideal and belief orientation of life, the individual is separated from the times, the collective, the country and the nation, only considers the fate and future of the individual, lacking the sense of responsibility for the country and society and ignoring the future of the nation.

### ***2.3 Is helpful to guide the college students' all-round development***

Strengthening the education of college students' ideals and beliefs is the inner need to lead the healthy growth and development of contemporary college students. As a group of highly intelligent youth, contemporary college students are the hope of the motherland and the future of the nation, but also facing the establishment and choice of ideals and beliefs.

In terms of college students themselves, some university students confusion and deviation of the ideal faith. Some students failed to comprehend thoroughly the spiritual essence of Marxism, socialism with Chinese characteristics also does not have deep understanding, not clear the importance of historical inevitability, reality

and future development trend, the lack of Four-sphere Confidence. During the period of university, the all-round development of college students is not only to improve the level of knowledge, strengthen the practice ability, establish lofty ideal and faith. Their ideal belief condition directly determines their position and role in the future social development, and the realization of their life value.

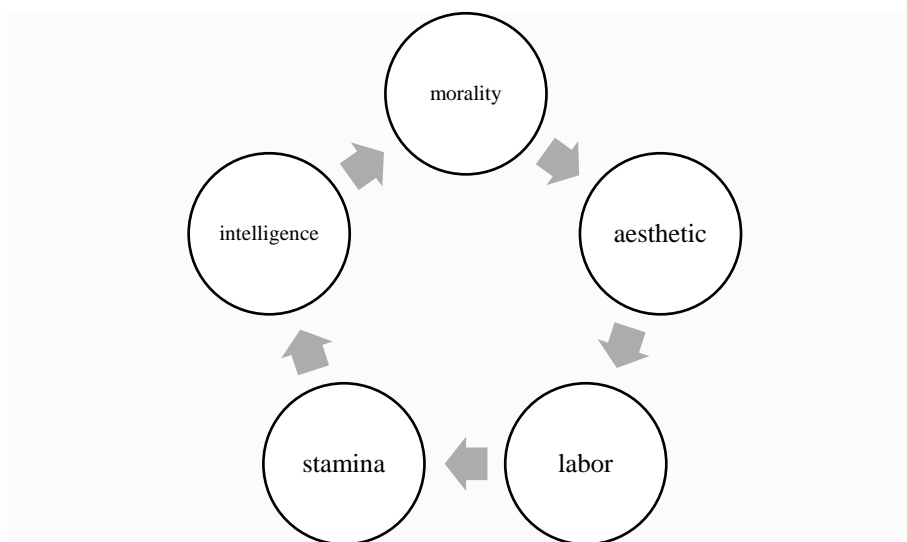


Figure.3 Sketch map of the overall development of college students

### 3. Results and discussion

#### 3.1 Strengthen Chinese Dream Education

“Be alert to danger in times of peace, and be wary of unrest in times of stability.” [2] Ideal and belief are essentially an ideology. To strengthen the education of college students' ideals and beliefs, we should persist in taking communist political beliefs as the foundation, take Xi Jinping's new era socialism with Chinese characteristics as the guide, reshape the current college education of ideals and beliefs, focus on explaining and teaching socialism with Chinese characteristics in theoretical knowledge study, combine people-oriented theory with Chinese dream thought, persist in inculcating and cultivating college students' ideology, and strengthen their communist and socialist ideals and beliefs.

Among the colorful ideal and belief education contents, it is necessary to find a practical starting point for college students to carry out special ideal and belief education. Xi said that we are closer and more confident and capable than at any other time in history to realize the Chinese dream of national rejuvenation. At the same time, Xi also pointed out that to realize the Chinese dream of the great

rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, generations of aspiring young people should continue to work hard.

Therefore, do a good job in a new era of college students' ideal faith education, we should be starting point is the dream of the Chinese national rejuvenation, innovation and rich content of ideal and faith education, and guide the broad masses of young students put personal ideal and the dream of national rejuvenation through the use of historical logic, realistic foundation and brilliant prospects, the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, strengthen the common ideal of socialism with Chinese characteristics and the lofty ideal of communism, to realize the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation as their own responsibility. Live up to the expectations of the Party, the people and the nation, strive for the interests of the motherland and the people, and realize the ideal of life in the process of realizing the social ideal.

### ***3.2 Improve the mechanism and promote the institutionalization of ideals and beliefs***

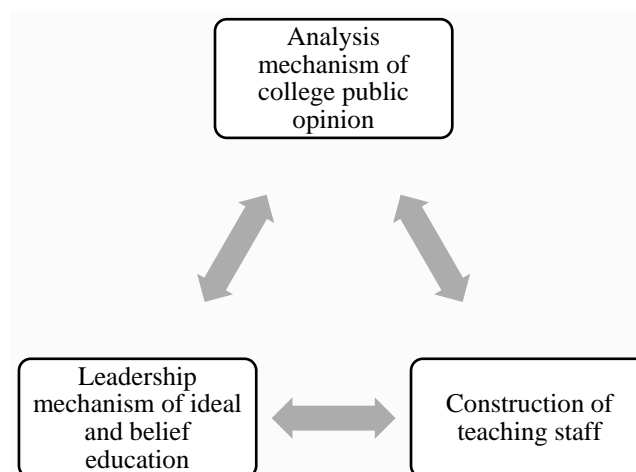
Ideal and belief education is the core content of ideological and political education in colleges and universities. However, for a long time, ideal and belief education does not have a complete and independent educational mechanism, but exists fragmented in theoretical and practical teaching, which is difficult to form a long-term and lasting influence on students. Therefore, under the double impact of reality and thought, colleges and universities can build an ideal and belief education mechanism to improve the standardization and long-term effect of ideal and belief education. [4]

First, build a perfect analysis mechanism of public opinion in society and universities. The education of ideals and beliefs in colleges and universities should be implemented and combined with students' real life. Colleges and universities should have a deep understanding of the life of contemporary college students and a clear understanding of the characteristics of the times in which college students live. In the education of ideals and beliefs, they should be good at grasping the hot spots of social change, social public opinion and college public opinion, and have no firm faith in some college students. The phenomenon of wavering ideas should be warned in advance and analyzed in depth, so as to curb the development of corrupt ideology on campus and establish correct guidance of public opinion to avoid college students becoming rumors and rumors.

Second, establish the leadership mechanism of ideal and belief education. The ideal and belief education of college students should be based on post responsibility system, and the rights and responsibilities of leaders in ideological and political education should be made clear, so that the ideal and belief education can be effectively implemented and carried out, and a long-term and lasting teaching effect can be formed.

Third, strengthen the construction of teachers in ideal and belief education. College students are the main body of ideal and belief education, while teachers are

guides and assistants. Teachers' comprehensive qualities and ideals and beliefs play an important guiding role for students.



*Figure.4 Mechanism of institutionalization of ideal and belief education*

### ***3.3 Innovate methods and strive for diversification of ideal and belief education***

At present, the form of ideal and belief education in colleges and universities is more traditional, with theoretical teaching as the mainstay and practical teaching as the supplement. In order to further improve the effectiveness of ideal and belief teaching, it is necessary to innovate and expand educational methods.

First of all, in classroom teaching, teachers should change their teaching ideas, deeply realize that students are the active factors that restrict classroom effect, and students' enthusiasm and participation are very important to improve classroom teaching effect. Therefore, in classroom teaching, teachers should give full play to students' enthusiasm and initiative and create a new teaching mode centering on students' main role. [5]

Second, the ideal faith teaching, the teacher can actively learn from the information technology, expand the teaching channel, enrich the teaching content, out of the textbook and your class, students will learn vision projected onto a broader knowledge level, on history, state, national and social reality, form a clear and deep understanding, out of the circle of students groups, with the help of WeChat, weibo, micro lesson, lesson for understanding of world affairs, understand the differences in eastern and western cultural, political and economic system and the collision, communication, and in a more open and healthy mentality look at the problems arising in the course of social change, to carry forward Chinese traditional culture, Develop national confidence and pride.

#### 4. Conclusion

Under the background of new era, the ideal faith education of colleges and universities should consider the information explosion and multiple value to the student life belief, political ideals, life values, etc., the influence of fully realized that the key of social change and social transformation period, the importance of rational belief education, learning advanced teaching mode, creating on socialist core values, new era of socialism with Chinese characteristics as the core of rational belief education system, from teaching concept, teaching method, teaching practice and so on several aspects promote reform and innovation of teaching ideal and faith.[6] Explore suitable for China's college students' learning, cognitive laws, and the characteristics of the physical and mental development of ideal faith education model, for national prosperity, national rejuvenation and social progress, cultivate more talents, promote university students combine personal ideal faith and national ideal faith, brave historical mission and social responsibility, to promote the Chinese dream as soon as possible.

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