# The Value Guidance and Integration Path of Red Flag Canal Spirit in Curriculum Ideology and Politics

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#### Abstract

Curriculum Ideology and Politics can not only be a curriculum view, but also can be a view of education, education into the activities of teaching is the due meaning of education. How to integrate the past excellent practice resources into the course is the main content of this paper. Through the interpretation of the spiritual source and essence of the Red Flag Canal, it puts forward the path of its value guidance and concrete integration: self-reliance, fearless consciousness integration; Integrate hard work, pioneering and innovative spirit; Integrate unity and cooperation, the pursuit of perseverance; Integrate selfless dedication, the courage to bear feelings.

Key words: Red Flag Canal, Spirit of the Red Flag Canal, Course of Ideological and Political, Value guidance

#### I. Introduction

In the era of knowledge-based economy, the importance of knowledge and talents is becoming more and more prominent. As an education to improve people's comprehensive quality and promote people's all-round development, its status and role are becoming more and more prominent. A country prospers when education is prospers, and a country strong when education is strong. Attaching importance to education means attaching importance to the future. Only by attaching importance to education can we win the future. The development level of higher education is an important symbol of a country's development level and development potential. All countries in the world regard running universities well and cultivating high-level talents as strategic measures to realize national development and enhance comprehensive national strength.

Higher education is an important cornerstone of social progress, while the quality of education and teaching is the lifeline of higher education. As the main channel of education and teaching, the quality of curriculum directly affects the quality of education and teaching. All the ideas of higher education reform must be realized through curriculum construction, and will be implemented in the course construction eventually. The curriculum construction itself is advancing with the times, and the standards and requirements of high-quality courses have distinctive characteristics of the times. High-quality courses in the new era need to integrate knowledge impart, ability cultivation and value shaping. Only in this way can the curriculum truly enable students to internalize knowledge in mind and externalize knowledge in practice.

### II. The connotation and significance of curriculum ideology and politics

The ideological and political work of the curriculum originates from the speech made by General Secretary at the National Conference on Ideological and Political Work in Colleges and Universities in December 2016. "The ideological and political work of colleges and universities is related to the fundamental problem of what kind of people colleges and universities train, how to train people and for whom. We should continue to take moral education as the central link, integrate ideological and political work into the whole process of education and teaching, and strive to create a new situation for the development of higher education in China." other courses should guard a certain channel and plant a good responsibility field, so that all kinds of courses and ideological and political theory courses are in the same direction, forming a synergistic effect "[1]. Shanghai put forward the concept of "curriculum thinking and politics" when learning this important speech. Since then, curriculum ideology and politics have entered the academic field of vision, and there are many researchers and practitioners. Special

course education as a form of ideological and political education [2], is the Marxism throughout the whole process of teaching and research of ideological and political education course system [3], and more and more people will be from the perspective of general ideological understanding, practice course [4], as a curriculum concept, curriculum goals include knowledge and skills, process and methods, attitudes and values emotional three aspects, a good education is the unity of the three layers of target [5], high quality courses of the new era, need to integrated knowledge, ability and value [6], the ideological elements effectively integrated into each teaching link, Scientific and reasonable expansion of the breadth, depth and temperature of professional courses [7], from the perspective of the majors and industries involved in the course, increase the knowledge and humanity of the course, form a joint force to educate people, and jointly serve the fundamental task of cultivating people with morality [8]. The essence of ideological and political courses is to cultivate people with virtue. Through the words and examples of teachers of specialized courses, ideological and political elements are organically integrated with professional knowledge [9], and the goal of ideological and political education is realized through the infiltration of professional teaching [10]. The ideological and political philosophy of the course advocates the collaborative education with the participation of all members, all-around and the whole process, emphasizing that through the operation of the whole course, the educational role of the whole course can be brought into play, so as to help students to establish a correct world view, outlook on life and values to the greatest extent [11], which is the fundamental goal of talent cultivation in colleges and universities.

#### III. The essence and value of the Red Flag Canal spirit

#### 3.1 The source of The Spirit of the Red Flag Canal

Linxian of Henan Province (today's Linzhou City), located at the junction of Shanxi, Hebei and Henan provinces, was characterized by undulation of mountains, drought and lack of water since ancient times. The serious shortage of water resources has seriously affected the development of all aspects of Linxian. The economic development is seriously lagging behind, the cultural construction is blank, the sanitary situation is very bad, and the phenomenon of family disharmony and neighborhood disharmony caused by the water problem is very common. Lack of water, has become the majority of Linxian people's pain in the heart.

The long history of water shortage did not make the people of Linxian shrink back, but inspired the people of Linxian to face difficulties without fear, and the spirit of struggle. According to historical records, since the Yuan Dynasty, the people of Linxian began to search for water, dig wells and build ditches, which began the history of fighting against the nature for water. The 800 years of history of searching for water has accumulated rich and effective experience in building and diverting water, and the perseverance and indolence of the Linxian people have accumulated effective experience and backbone force for the construction of the Red Flag Canal. The history of 800 years of building and diverting water has laid a solid historical foundation for the successful construction of the Red Flag Canal.

The canals built in 800 years to divert water, especially the canals and reservoirs built 10 years after the founding of the People's Republic of China, have played a considerable role in alleviating the water shortage of People's Daily life and agriculture in Linxian. However, due to the special geographical environment of Linxian, various natural disasters, including drought, still come from time to time. In the face of this situation, Linxian County leaders believe that if they want to get rid of the threat of drought fundamentally, they must further solve the problem of water sources. Through a large number of field investigation and demonstration in the early stage, the construction of the "lead the Zhanghe River into forest" project decision was finally finalized. On February 11, 1960, "lead the Zhanghe River into the forest" project officially started, after ten years, the county people finally between wild and steep Tai-hang Mountains hanging shore cliff, with their bare hands, the spirit, and to make up more than 1500 kilometers of "artificial tianhe" Red Flag Canal, make Lin county never to ten thousand mu of irrigated area expanded to six hundred thousand mu, the people's draft water problem basically solved.

3.2 The essence of the spirit of the Red Flag Canal

The Red Flag Canal was built during a very special year in the history of the Republic of China. It went through three difficult years and the turmoil of the "the Great Cultural Revolution". County people's disaster in order to get rid of the serious shortage of water, just with a drive in the backward economy, technology and political turbulent times, rely on the collective strength, to the heroic "rearranging the county native land", in the most sinister of Tai-hang mountain with a hammer and appeared a bit, a knife mountain river, get into the forest, built the coiling Tai-hang mountains 1500 km of the Red Flag Canal, which completely changed county drought prevails almost every year natural state.

800 historical experience of the canal water diversion and county people's difficult without fear and grasped the nettle, with practical wind of hard work, selfless dedication, with solid will quality made, with an unyielding and tenacious character, also for the reform and opening up after the "out of Taihang, make Taihang beautiful" new Red Flag Canal Spirit laid a solid foundation, county people's innovation, The Red Flag Canal Spirit of unity and cooperation, enhance the cohesion and centripetal force, charisma and effectiveness. The Red Flag Canal spirit of "self-reliance, hard work, unity and cooperation, and selfless dedication" has provided a powerful spiritual impetus for China's modernization drive.

## 3.3 Value guidance of the Red Flag Canal Spirit

The red flag canal spirit is a reflection of the spirit of the Chinese nation, which not only shows people's unyielding and constantly strive to strong ambition, but also reflects a person in the society should stick to the correct outlook on life, values, it is the national spirit and time spirit after a collision, combined with the epochal significance of products, has a very high inheritance and carry forward the value. Students are the future of a country, from the students can see the epitome of a country, "young prosperity is national prosperity; The youth is strong, the country is strong". More and more colleges and universities no longer only pay attention to the cultivation of students' scores, but pay more attention to the cultivation of students' ideology, morality and national spirit. Only students with good moral character can make contributions to the prosperity of the country when they enter the society, otherwise, it is a social sorrow.

In those days, Linzhou people preferred to fight hard rather than endure hard times. With the heroic spirit of "rebuilding the road of life in Linzhou", they cut open the Taihang Mountain and attracted the water of life. The spirit of unity, cooperation, courage and dedication shown by Linzhou people is also the value leading goal to be realized by education today. The core values of colleges and universities are composed of the core values of all the faculty and students, and the main task of its construction is to let all the faculty and students learn and practice the core values. In colleges and universities in the process of teaching and learning into the local can reflect the national spirit is the main form of actual case, lead the students to understand the nature of The Red Flag Canal spirit, time, focus on propaganda in the process of repairing canal has significant performance figures, such as: buy Ren yangcheng and Zhang maijiang, etc., through their story vivid image reappearance to build unity when The Red Flag Canal, wisdom, brave, adhere to the spirit, guide students to understand and practice the spirit of inheriting the excellent tradition of the Chinese nation through the power of education.

## IV. The current situation of college students' understanding of The Spirit of Red Flag Canal

As the birthplace of the Red Flag Canal Spirit, Anyang Country has unique advantages. In order to master the understanding degree of college students on the Red Flag Canal Spirit, a total of 500 online questionnaires were sent out, and 435 valid questionnaires were finally collected with a recovery rate of 87%. Figure 1 and Figure 2 show the degree of understanding of the basic situation and main spirit of the Red Flag Canal, and the channels of understanding are shown in Figure 3.

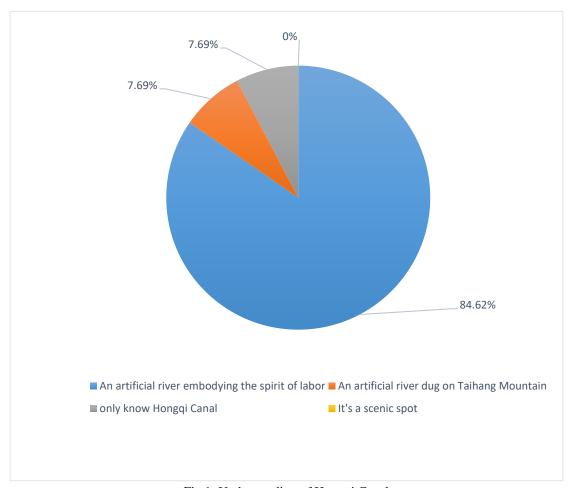


Fig 1: Understanding of Hongqi Canal

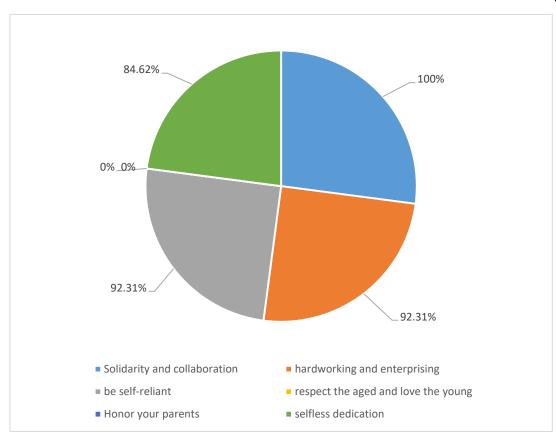


Fig 2: Understanding of Hongqi Canal Spirit

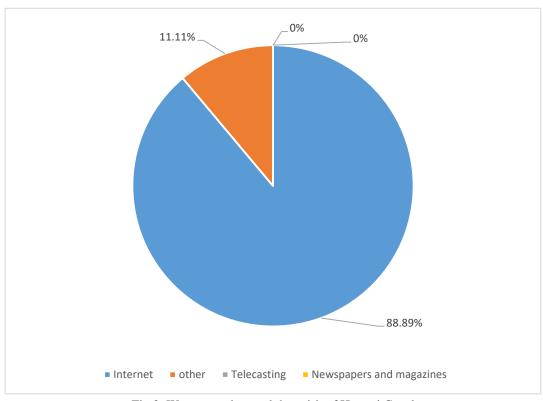


Fig 3: Ways to understand the spirit of Hongqi Canal

The survey results show that college students have a basic understanding of The Spirit of Red Flag Canal, but the

way of understanding is relatively simple, mainly through the Internet, which indicates that there is space and necessity for integration in school, classroom and students' practice.

## V. The path of integrating the Red Flag Canal Spirit into the ideological and political curriculum

The influence of integrating the Red Flag Canal Spirit into the course ideology and politics on contemporary college students is "an educational force that cannot be replaced by any textbook, moral precept, or punishment or reward system" [5], and the integration path is shown in Figure 4.

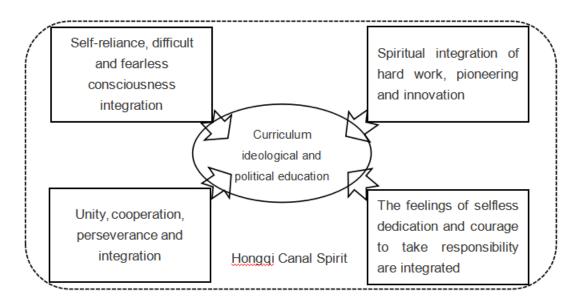


Fig 3: The Path of Integrating Hongqi Canal Spirit into Curriculum Ideological and Political Education

#### 5.1 The consciousness of self-reliance, fearlessness

Self-reliance, fearless are the prerequisite of the Red Flag Canal Spirit. During the construction of the Red Flag Canal, the people of Linxian brought their own tools, provided their own rations, burned their own lime, made their own cement, and saved their own money to raise funds accounting for 63% of the total investment in the project. More than 17 million cubic meters of earth and stone were excavated, which could stretch from Lin County to Harbin in the north and Guangzhou in the south if a highway with a height of one meter and a width of four meters was built. This set of data show that county harsh natural conditions have not deterred county people's bravery, difficult to fix canal course in 800 showed that county people have grasped the nettle, indomitable noble quality, it is this style of self-reliance and fearless of making the Red Flag Canal under the condition of hard to make up water, benefit the livelihood of the people.

# 5.2 Integrate the spirit of hard work, pioneering and innovation

Hard work is the soul of the Red Flag Canal Spirit. Taihang Mountain has always been regarded as an important place for soldiers, regardless of its precipitous situation in history or during the Anti-Japanese War. It was under such conditions that the people of Linxian County began the Red Flag Canal project, and the conditions were as hard as you can imagine. But no matter how hard the natural conditions are, how difficult the living conditions are, from the leaders to the migrant workers, we have no retreat, since the hardships, the heart to a place to think, to a place to make, wholeheartedly contribute to the project. Migrant workers have long talked about the "thrift spirit": careful budgeting, recycling, multi-purpose, never waste. In order to save money and meet the deadline, no new house was built on the site. During the construction, all the people lived in the mountains and caves, built earth

kilns, put up matted tents, slept in the open and through the night, but no one complained of hardship and tired. Their courage and strength to fight against the nature remained intact. As the village cadres and leaders who command the project, they also eat and live together with the migrant workers, live together and study together. They set an example and take the lead to set an example, finding problems and solving problems at any time. It is this kind of hard entrepreneurial spirit that "would rather work hard than endure hardships, would rather start a business than maintain success" has created "artificial Tianhe", "the contemporary Great Wall", "the eighth wonder of the world".

Pioneering and innovation is the core of Red Flag Canal spirit. Pioneering and innovation is to carry out work in a creative way. It is also the soul of contemporary core values under the new normal of economic development. The Red Flag Canal was a pioneering and innovative project built on the steep and hard Taihang Mountain. It was also an earth-shattering act never seen before. In the 1960s, when the economy was underdeveloped and living conditions were still very difficult, the Red Flag Canal was built in a natural environment several times worse than today's. First of all, it was thanks to the leaders of Linxian County at that time, who dared to think, act, and innovate. Secondly, there are a number of lovely, respectable and amiable people, who can follow the leading cadres on the basis of poverty "to sacrifice more ambition, dare to teach the sun and the moon for a new sky".

### 5.3 Solidarity, cooperation and indomitable pursuit of integration

Solidarity and cooperation is the guarantee of the spirit of the Red Flag Canal. It means to think and work in one place with one heart. 15 communes, hundreds of brigades, 100,000 construction army, lasting a full 10 years, the canal length of more than 1,500 kilometers...... A string of numbers, a sobbing story, if there is no unity and cooperation, how can it be? It takes a lot of energy just to move around and distribute all this work, not to mention trying to feed and house people, sort out supplies, and coordinate technical issues between teams. Therefore, without the spirit of great unity, it is impossible to do such a feat. The only way of nature between heaven and earth cannot be violated. The wise people of Lin County know this truth, and the purpose of building the canal is to make use of nature for the benefit of human beings. The people of Lin County also know that only by working together, respecting the laws of nature and making the best of the situation can we finally solve the problem of water shortage. Therefore, no matter whether the Red Flag Canal water will reach the place, earnings early or late returns, the masses have no complaints, to actively participate in and out of the man, as the home office, factories and mines, rural areas, to be called in front of the canal on the logistics service, each club teams, all walks of life to work together, mutual support, is great!

Perseverance is the foundation of the implementation of the Red Flag Canal spirit. Before offered to build a blueprint, the country after months of on-the-spot investigation and research, in examining the water situation of Huguan Country, Pingshun Country in Shanxi Provence, obtained in dry season flow, maximum flow, flood season hydrology data, such as the annual average flow, after argument, coordination, finally draw the channelization diversion blueprint of "get Zhanghe River into the forest". Its perseverance, practical work style, not only embodies in front of the decision on the investigation and verification, but also on the timing, 10 years after the founding of the country of drainage water quantity is ten times that of before liberation, agricultural water conservancy movement in the great leap forward for the country water conservancy construction of a large number of practical talents, for the construction of the Red Flag Canal accumulated a solid technical foundation. At the same time, during the construction of the project, perseverance and pragmatism are also reflected in the readjustment of the construction plan according to the actual situation. For example, the construction of the whole line at the beginning caused a lot of problems, and the leadership of the Linxian Country Party Committee made the correct decision to concentrate on the construction of sections in time, which ensured the construction of the Red Flag Canal.

## 5.4 Unselfish dedication and the courage to take responsibility

Unselfish dedication and the courage to take responsibility are the core of the Red Flag Canal Spirit. In the harsh living environment of relying on the weather and waiting for rain, nearly 600,000 Linxian people's living and

production conditions have become extremely difficult due to the lack of water. Therefore, changing the living conditions of drought and water shortage and demonstrating the construction of the Red Flag Canal were the biggest livelihood problems at that time. In the process of the construction of the Red Flag Canal, selfless dedication and the spirit of responsibility are everywhere. Workers charge into a battle, strive to be the first, a hammer a chisel, where hard to go, the Red Flag Canal in their hands inch by inch forward extension, groups of heroes and model workers are also in the Red Flag Canal constantly forward extension of the process of a steady stream of emergence; Iron Girl Commando is the concentrated embodiment of the selfless dedication of Red Flag Canal, they are greater than men, they do the same work, as long as there is no particularly important things at home, they generally do not go home, encounter minor illness small pain, still not down the battlefield; People in the rear took all their shoes, gloves, tools, etc. to the Red Flag Canal to support the construction. Originally they are not rich, short of food and clothing, but for the project, in order to the front of the workers, they economize, raise food and other materials, as long as there is demand in the front, the rear masses will supply, for everyone, no self. In a word, the selfless dedication of the people of Linxian County embodies the spirit of the Red Flag Canal, and also embodies the spirit of the people who are not afraid of hardship, sacrifice and indomitable struggle for the benefit of future generations and change the face of Linxian County.

#### VI. Conclusion

As the representative of the combination of national spirit and the spirit of the times, Such vivid and real cases are integrated into the education of contemporary college students and into the course teaching. It is of great practical significance to guide students to understand and practice these spirits and to inherit the fine traditions of the Chinese nation through the power of education. Through the questionnaire survey distributed to students, it is found that although college students have a basic understanding of the spirit of Red Flag Canal, the way of understanding is relatively simple and the understanding is not deep enough, indicating that there is still a lot of room for improvement in classroom integration and practical teaching. Combined with the essence of the Red Flag Canal and the actual situation of contemporary college students, guides the student to study or future work should be a self-reliant, the consciousness of face difficult but not fear to face, with hard work, pioneering and innovative spirit to explore new horizons, to treat colleagues solidarity and collaboration and the style of selfless dedication, with perseverance, dare to bear feelings into the business. If young college students can learn the essence of the Red Flag Canal spirit and put it into their study and work, they will certainly not only make a great change in their study and work performance, but also find their own value in their work and study.

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