## Analysis on the Problems and Causes of Contemporary University Students' Legal Education under the Background of Rule of Law

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### **Abstract**

The 18th National Congress of the Party proposed to comprehensively promote the rule of law, which marked that our country's socialist legal construction had entered a new period. College students are the backbone of the motherland in the future, so let the students understand the "total" governing the country according to law is very important, college education workers need to be "comprehensive" governing the country according to law of curriculum ideas into the students, to improve the students' political quality, help students to understand more profoundly about the "total" governing the country according to law in our country's strategic layout. But at present, our country some deficiencies of the legal system education courses, in order to improve this shortage, this paper mainly to "governing the country according to law under the background of the contemporary college students' education of legal system" as the theme, the lack of law education is of great importance, and improve the multiple angles in-depth analysis, hope to be able to offer a theoretical basis for the corresponding social practice.

### Keywords

Rule of Law; College Students; Legal Education; Problem; Way.

#### 1. Introduction

The 18th National Congress put forward new policy of rule of law, which not only makes clear the future direction of legal system, but also highlights the importance of legal education of college students. Behind the rule of law is the scientific legal thought, which relies on strict and fair law enforcement to promote the construction of a country ruled by law. College students are the future pillars of the country, but also an important force to comprehensively promote the rule of law. University stage is an important stage, students learn to think in a legal system in this stage of the student thought is mature, have own judgement ability, absorption of the legal system thought is faster, easier, so educators should blend in the rule of law in the process of college students' learning ideas, and actively carry out the legal system in the process of daily education ideas, improving the legal quality of college students, Improve the current legal education in the existence of deficiencies.

## 2. The Importance of College Students' Legal Education

University is an important stage in the connection between student's era and the social field. After graduation, college students will enter their own professional fields, no matter they are engaged in social work or scientific research, they need to take corresponding social responsibilities and make contributions to the legal construction of our country. Therefore, the legal education of college students is very important. It is also an important means for our country to comprehensively promote the rule of law. At the same time, the current college students' legal knowledge is still insufficient, and there is a big distance between scientific and cultural knowledge. When dealing with illegal events in daily life, college students often rely

entirely on their own daily thoughts instead of getting help from legal knowledge. They have little understanding of their legal rights and interests and are unwilling to contact legal knowledge. College students are the future pillars of our country and reserve elites in various fields, but they do not have sufficient legal consciousness. Therefore, it is very important to promote college students' legal construction under the background of rule by law. In addition, college students lack of enough legal knowledge, not only is not conducive to the protection of their own legitimate rights and interests, but also may cause them to enter the road of illegal crime, to the surrounding teachers, students, but also wasted their bright future. For example, a student studying in a first-class university who has good grades but lacks sufficient knowledge of law takes extremely wrong measures when he has a conflict with his roommate, which leads to an incurable tragedy, which not only breaks his family, but also suffers from the condemnation of public opinion. Therefore, it is very important to carry out legal education for college students, which can not only improve students' legal literacy and regulate their own behavior, but also help to shape mature and sound three views and promote their all-round development [1].

## 3. Difficulties in the Process of Legal Education in Colleges and Universities

### (1) The social environment as a whole lacks a legal atmosphere

The university stage has not fully entered the society, the students in this stage are protected by parents and schools, generally will not be seriously violated by the law. It is in such an environment that it is more suitable for college students to learn legal knowledge, and they can observe the whole society with legal knowledge without being harmed. But the situation is quite different. Perhaps because in the past our country did not pay enough attention to the cultivation of people's legal consciousness, the present society the whole legal environment is worse. After college students acquire legal knowledge, they can observe the society with legal knowledge and think about various events in the society with their thinking and ideas. When they see the incidents of violating laws in the society on the "we media" platform, they will spend a lot of spare time thinking about the national legal system and the current society. Their pure curiosity will drive them to find the reasons behind these negative events. In addition, as China gradually puts the purification of the legal environment in an important position, some media change the direction of pursuing entertainment and dig deep into the causes of corruption and other incidents. On the surface, these media exposure could help citizens understand the social environment, to supervise the government and some authorities, but from the perspective of university students' education of legal system, if the teacher did not actively guide the students in the process, it is likely to lead to the student's understanding of issues too one-sided, and doubts about the credibility of law in China, This is not only unfavorable to the spread of legal ideas, but also may worsen our legal environment.

### (2) The content of university legal teaching is old and single, lacking of The Times

The survey data show that the ideological and political curriculum and law curriculum are currently combined into one subject. Although this method can improve students' moral level and legal awareness at the same time, after combining the two into one subject, students' learning hours will be shortened. In order to complete the corresponding teaching content in a limited time, the knowledge in the textbook will become simple and shallow. Compared with the previous basic law courses, the current combined courses in colleges and universities are not professional enough, the depth of knowledge needs to be explored, and the lack of integrity is not conducive to students' deep understanding of the corresponding legal knowledge. Current our country, for example, a large number of colleges and universities use the old teaching material, the lack of real knowledge of law, although there will be in the book of our

constitution, civil law and other laws and legal knowledge, but once the in-depth study, the fragmentary knowledge is lack of integrity and structural, the cohesion between the knowledge points not close together, heavy and complicated is mixed and disorderly, This is not only detrimental to students' in-depth learning and understanding, but also may cause students' understanding of relevant legal knowledge to deviate [2]. This is mainly because colleges and universities do not adapt to the development of The Times, timely change their own legal teaching concept, did not reform the textbooks used in time, leading to students can not acquire enough solid legal knowledge in the process of learning.

### (3) The threat of formalism

The legal system education in colleges and universities often contain by formalism, part of the teachers' teaching idea is not correct, not to realize the importance of college students' education of legal system, at the time of preparing perfunctory, or choose the directly obtained from the Internet courseware, lack of passion in class, after class a walk it, completely to the legal system education as "a pattern". Teachers' neglect will not cause students' rejection. Students will only do something in class that has nothing to do with learning, let alone correct teachers' behavior. In the final evaluation stage, some students cheat openly, such as writing cheat sheets and reading other students' papers, but the teacher ignores these behaviors. Finally, the passing rate of the exam is achieved, and the teacher considers that the education process has been completed. This not only does not allow students to acquire the corresponding legal knowledge, but also encourages the ethos of formalism, which is not conducive to the creation of a good learning atmosphere.

Legal courses, like many courses, need the combination of theory and practice, and the lack of any of these factors will be detrimental to students' learning. However, most of the current university students in the process of legal education has not carried out the corresponding practical activities, even if the students can master the legal knowledge, but can not apply the legal knowledge to the actual life. In addition, some students do not have a deep understanding of the importance of legal education, often because this course has nothing to do with the major and lack of learning enthusiasm, which is not conducive to students to master sufficient legal knowledge, also is not conducive to use legal weapons to protect themselves.

### (4) College students pay little attention to legal education

Under the dual protection of teachers and parents, college students are generally protected from serious legal infringement and do not have a deep understanding of the importance of legal knowledge. In addition, because schools do not pay enough attention to this aspect of education, so that students also lack of attention to law education. On this basis, schools should not make students compulsory to learn legal knowledge, which will only make students resist legal knowledge, and is not conducive to the cultivation of legal thought of learning God.

With the progress of society, college students play an increasingly important role in society. However, students lack basic knowledge of law, which leads to their lack of legal belief. College students tend to focus entirely on the study of professional courses and neglect the study of legal knowledge. In addition, the current college students basically acquire legal knowledge by learning ideological and moral courses, but the legal knowledge in this course is not in-depth enough, and students do not pay high attention to this public course, and often cannot really master the corresponding legal knowledge.

# 4. The Path of Contemporary College Students' Legal Education under the Background of Rule of Law

### (1) We will improve the environment for legal education

College students' legal knowledge education is not an overnight thing, it needs to go through a number of links, step by step to help students learn legal knowledge and develop legal skills. This process not only needs the efforts of each university, but also needs the cooperation of each department to create a good social atmosphere, so that college students can improve their legal accomplishment in a good legal atmosphere.

First of all, relevant departments should optimize the legal environment, do their own work well, constantly improve laws and regulations, improve the level of institutional guarantee, so as to help students realize the importance of legal knowledge. In addition, the relevant departments should increase the punishment of the law, safeguard social fairness and justice, cultivate students' legal belief, and improve students' autonomous initiative in learning legal knowledge.

Secondly, the leadership of the school should adhere to the principle of governing the school according to law, create a good campus legal environment, so that students can improve their legal level in a subtle way. Schools should deal with school affairs in accordance with the law and protect the legitimate rights and interests of students with the law, which is not only conducive to students in these processes to realize the effectiveness of the law, but also conducive to the school's legal education into the daily life of students, so as to improve the efficiency of legal education. For example, schools can organize and set up corresponding small mock courts and send corresponding teachers to guide students to solve legal disputes. For students themselves, they should abide by the norms set by the school, be good at using legal weapons to protect their legitimate rights and interests, and put forward their suggestions to the leadership through appropriate channels. In this way, the school can form a good legal atmosphere, so that students can better grasp the legal knowledge [3].

### (2) Enrich the classroom content and update the teaching concept

Classes in universities are different from those in junior and senior high schools. Although there are talent training programs, most of the course teaching plans are made by teachers themselves, so teachers can give flexible lectures in the teaching process without strictly explaining knowledge in accordance with the book content. Therefore, in order to enhance the enthusiasm of students to learn legal knowledge, teachers can develop diversified teaching methods and teach relevant legal knowledge to students in vivid and flexible ways. In addition, teachers can also appropriately expand the content in the textbook, expand the knowledge range, enrich the classroom content, and help students to master other legal knowledge more deeply after understanding certain basic legal knowledge. As mentioned above, the current legal curriculum textbook in our country is old, and the combination of law and practice into one subject, which will lead to the shallow knowledge, in this case, students can not fully understand legal knowledge and related application skills, and will soon forget what they have learned. To overcome these problems, teachers can apply the methods mentioned above to help students better learn legal knowledge.

In addition, with the rapid development of information technology, teachers should give full play to the role of online platforms. Teachers can search for relevant legal resources and real cases through the Internet and put these resources into the courseware for class, which can not only stimulate students' enthusiasm to learn legal knowledge, but also give full play to the role of the Internet and broaden the course content [4]. At the same time, teachers should update their teaching ideas in time, combine theory and practice, and help students to learn legal knowledge more deeply. In addition, teachers need to guide students to view social events correctly. The society is a mixed place. Some people ignore the law, infringe on the legitimate rights and interests of others, corruption and other violations of the law emerge one after another. If college students do not master enough legal knowledge and only have a partial understanding of legal knowledge, the reports of these events will only cause harm to their legal

awareness, and then lose their faith in law. Therefore, teachers should guide students to view these social events correctly and rationally, and bravely take out legal weapons to protect themselves when their legitimate rights and interests are infringed.

### (3) Innovate educational approaches and stimulate students' learning enthusiasm

First of all, university students should follow the principle of diversification in the process of legal education, based on which to enrich the curriculum planning. In legal education, teachers should always put students in the main position and let students accept legal knowledge actively rather than passively, so as to help students develop correct values. In the course planning process, we should pay attention to the actual situation of students and divide legal knowledge education into two categories: "general education" and "professional education". The former is mainly a public course, while the latter is mainly a combination of compulsory subjects and elective subjects, so as to improve the law curriculum.

Next, teacher should pay attention to network legal system education. Teachers should adapt to the development of The Times, give full play to the role of the Internet, build the school's legal online learning platform, so that students and teachers can not only freely exchange legal knowledge through this platform, but also can obtain their own legal knowledge on this platform, so as to continuously improve the efficiency of students' learning legal knowledge.

### (4) Strengthen college students' awareness of legal study

In the process of cultivating college students' legal thought, it is the majority of college students who occupy the main position. Therefore, in order to improve the efficiency of legal ideology education in colleges and universities, we should fully stimulate students' awareness of law study. First of all, in the process of education, it is necessary to clarify the central position of college students, help students establish legal consciousness and subjective consciousness, and use this internal driving force to promote students to actively participate in legal education. Secondly, colleges and universities should let students clarify their legitimate rights and interests, form mature and correct values, understand the importance of law deeply, and form legal belief. In the process of legal education, teachers should make corresponding teaching plans according to the needs of students, so that students understand that learning law is not just a boring thing, so as to stimulate students' learning initiative. Finally, colleges and universities should let students develop the viewpoint of "law supreme", only in this way can students truly consolidate the legal belief formed inside, firmly believe the law of our country, maintain the law of our country and learn to protect themselves and people around with legal weapons [5].

# 5. Strategies and Suggestions for Legal Education in Colleges and Universities

(1) School leaders attach great importance to it, Establishing a legal education system

In order to ensure the smooth and high-quality development of legal education for college students, the attention and support of university leaders are indispensable. Systemic development of legal education and need insist for a long time, as a leading colleges and universities should put the study of legal system of education in reality, should put college students' education of legal system work in a more important position, the legal system education on the agenda, ideas, planning, implementation, efforts to build standardized and institutionalized system of legal education, Truly integrate legal education into the study and life of college students. The legal consciousness and legal ability of college students should be regarded as an important criterion of talent training. We SHOULD pay attention to teachers' legal education work, organize abundant legal education practice activities, and promote the

comprehensive improvement of college students' legal literacy in a good legal education environment.

(2)We will strengthen the construction of professional teachers for legal education

In the process of reform and innovation of legal education in colleges and universities, it is necessary to have an excellent team of high-quality legal education teachers to guarantee the expected good teaching effect. Therefore, in order to solve the outstanding problems existing in the legal education of contemporary university students, we must start from the aspects of strengthening the construction of teaching staff, specifically: Should absorb more excellent professional teacher education, under the rule of law requires profound legal theory foundation, has rich experience in legal affairs at the same time, as a rule of law education of teachers must have a strong professional quality, not only to be able to classroom teaching of law theory knowledge, can also organize rich class social practice of legal system, only to combine theory with practice, In this way, students' legal literacy will be improved in an all-round way.

(3) Rationally set up legal education courses in colleges and universities

Under the background of today's law implementation in our country, must pay attention to the construction of legal system education courses in colleges and universities, to abide by the national education policy, clear importance college students' education of legal system and the personnel training mode in the new period, considering various factors, to ensure reasonable set of college students' legal education curriculum system construction. By analyzing the feedback of college students, it is found that there is a prominent problem of the contradiction between supply and demand of legal education for college students. On the one hand, many college students want to open a series of legal elective courses or minor courses to provide them with more opportunities to receive legal education and meet their needs of law learning. On the other hand, some schools currently have only one basic course of law and only limited hours of legal education, which is far from meeting the legal learning needs of college students. Therefore, optimizing the setting of legal education courses in colleges and universities is a practical need and an inevitable choice. A new era of the legal system education curriculum should contain more rich content, such as marxist basic theory of law, common law system (such as civil law, consumer rights and interests protection law, labor law, etc.), legal system, etc., can set the course of law, or public elective courses, students can learn according to the professional and personal needs to learn, In this way, students' learning needs can be better met and legal education courses can be carried out with high quality.

### (4) Constantly explore the innovation of legal education methods

Law is a social science, with a strong life, practical characteristics, can be said to have a close relationship with each of our lives, in the comprehensive rule of law under the background, everyone should learn law, law, law, usage. As the future talent team, college students should strengthen the study of law. In order to encourage them to actively participate in the study, teachers need to constantly explore innovative legal education methods. The following are some common methods: (1) In the in-depth implementation of case teaching method, we must pay attention to the thorough analysis of cases, not just explain the relevant legal provisions and judgment results, but to guide students to analyze the scientific nature of legal provisions, enhance their legal awareness and legal spirit. (2) adhere to the open teaching, the teacher would not bind the minds of students, can encourage students to independent legal issues found, then let them independently to find the law, to carry on the rational analysis, make their own judgment, so more can mobilize students' initiative and creativity, so than passively accept learning will surely achieve better effect. (3) Introduction and application of audio-visual teaching. Information era, electronic teaching has significant advantages of teaching, teachers are no longer blindly oral interpretation, but can play the video resources for students, teaching will be more intuitive and image, such as video broadcast CCTV "today's statement", guides the

student to understand the real case, the study of law experts on the case of professional reviews, this is certain to be a student's welcome, The teaching effect is good. Therefore, as a legal education teachers must pay attention to learning and use of information teaching methods, to bring new vitality to classroom teaching.

### 6. Conclusion

Legal education of college students is an important way to improve their legal accomplishment, and is also one of the important links for the country to promote the comprehensive rule of law. In the process of legal education, teachers should insist on the subject status of students, diversify the educational methods, adhere to the principle of combining theoretical education with practical education, constantly improve the legal literacy of college students, and prepare talents for the national strategy of governing the country according to law.

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