# Research on the path of enhancing the social service ability of higher vocational colleges under the background of the revitalization of the province through science and education

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**Abstract:** In the context of promoting science and education to develop the province, enhancing the social service capabilities of higher vocational colleges is of great significance for promoting local economic development and promoting social progress. This article aims to explore how higher vocational colleges can leverage their own advantages, strengthen cooperation with all sectors of society, expand social service areas, improve social service levels, and make greater contributions to local economic construction and social development.

#### 1. Introduction

Against the backdrop of revitalizing the province through science and education, vocational colleges, as important local educational institutions, have a pivotal role in promoting local economic development and social progress by enhancing their social service capabilities. This article will explore how vocational colleges can leverage their own strengths, strengthen their close cooperation with society, and continuously expand the scope and depth of social services, so as to provide stronger support for local economic construction and social development. Through theoretical discussion and case analysis, we will provide strategies and suggestions for vocational colleges to enhance their social service capabilities, with a view to making positive contributions to the coordinated development of local economy and society.

## 2. The current situation and problem analysis of the social service ability of vocational colleges under the background of revitalizing the province through science and education

#### 2.1 The current situation of the social service ability of vocational colleges

At present, vocational colleges are paying increasing attention to the social service ability, and more and more schools are beginning to regard social service as an important direction for their own development. However, from a practical point of view, there are still some shortcomings in the social service ability of vocational colleges. For example, some schools lack effective social service mechanisms, leading to a disconnect with social needs. In addition, some schools' social service projects lack characteristics and innovation, and cannot meet the diverse needs of society.

### 2.2 Problems and challenges

The social service ability of vocational colleges is one of the important indicators to measure their overall level. However, there are some problems and challenges in the current social service ability of vocational colleges. First of all, many vocational colleges lack mechanisms for docking with society, and cannot accurately understand the needs of society, resulting in services that do not match actual needs. Secondly, some schools' service content is too focused on certain areas, and cannot meet the diverse needs of society. In addition, the lack of professional teachers with specific professional knowledge and experience is also one of the important factors limiting the social service level of vocational colleges. Finally, insufficient funding is also an important factor restricting vocational colleges from providing sufficient social services. In order to improve the

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social service ability of vocational colleges, a series of measures need to be taken. First of all, schools need to strengthen their connections and cooperation with all sectors of society, establish a sound social service mechanism, so as to better understand the needs of society and provide corresponding services. Secondly, schools need to expand service areas to meet the diverse needs of society, while paying attention to innovation and characteristics<sup>[1]</sup>. In addition, strengthening the introduction and cultivation of professional teachers is also the key to improving the level of social service. Finally, schools need to allocate resources reasonably and increase funding investment, providing the necessary guarantee for providing quality social services. In short, improving the social service ability of vocational colleges requires the joint efforts and continuous exploration and practice of all teachers and students. Through strengthening connections and cooperation with all sectors of society, expanding service areas, strengthening the introduction and cultivation of professional teachers, and allocating resources reasonably, the social service ability of vocational colleges can be effectively improved, and better serve the society and local economic development.

#### 2.3 Analysis of Reasons

Higher vocational colleges play an important role in social development. However, currently some higher vocational colleges face problems in social service, such as outdated concepts, lack of awareness of cooperation, and unreasonable resource allocation. Firstly, some schools do not pay enough attention to social service and still focus their main efforts on teaching and scientific research, neglecting the importance of social service. Secondly, many higher vocational colleges lack the awareness of cooperation with all sectors of society and cannot effectively integrate social resources to provide targeted services. Finally, some schools prioritize teaching and scientific research in resource allocation, resulting in insufficient resources and funds for social service.

To change this situation, higher vocational colleges need to change their ideas and increase their emphasis on social service, incorporating social service into the school's strategic development plan. At the same time, schools need to strengthen their connections and cooperation with all sectors of society, understand social needs, and provide corresponding services. In addition, optimizing resource allocation and increasing investment in social service are the keys to improving the level of social service. Through measures such as strengthening cooperation with all sectors of society and optimizing resource allocation, higher vocational colleges can better serve society and local economic development and realize their own value<sup>[2]</sup>.

#### 3. The Path and Method of Improving the Social Service Ability of Higher Vocational Colleges

## 3.1 Strengthening industry-university-research cooperation to promote the transformation of scientific research achievements

Vocational colleges can strengthen cooperation with the industry to jointly carry out research projects to promote the transformation of scientific research achievements. By collaborating with enterprises, vocational colleges can better understand market demand and industry development trends, providing a broader platform for the application of scientific research achievements. At the same time, industry-university-research cooperation can also improve the scientific research level and innovation ability of vocational colleges, providing enterprises with better technical support and talent resources<sup>[3]</sup>.

#### 3.2 Expanding the fields of social services to meet the needs of local economic development

Vocational colleges can expand the fields of social services to provide more comprehensive support for local economic development according to the needs of local economic development. For example, for local key industries and advantage industries, corresponding majors and courses should be established to cultivate high-quality technical and skilled talents; technical consulting, technology transfer, technical training and other services should be carried out to improve the technological level and competitiveness of enterprises; participation in public affairs management, cultural heritage and innovation activities, etc., can promote local social progress and development.

#### 3.3 Building a diversified social service platform to promote social progress

Vocational colleges can build a diversified social service platform to provide diverse services to the society. For example, establishing science and technology parks, incubators, and other institutions to provide support and assistance for innovation and entrepreneurship; offering continuing education and training courses to improve the quality and ability of members of society; carrying out community services, voluntary services and other activities to promote social harmony and progress. These platforms can effectively integrate resources inside and outside the school to promote the development and progress of society.

#### 3.4 Strengthening the construction of the teaching staff to improve the level of social services

Vocational colleges need to strengthen the construction of the teaching staff, improve their professional quality and social service ability. Through the establishment of a reasonable incentive mechanism and evaluation mechanism, teachers are encouraged to actively participate in social service activities; strengthening the contact and cooperation between teachers and the industry, all sectors of society, improving their practical ability and social responsibility; carrying out training and academic exchange activities to improve the academic level and professional quality of teachers. These measures can improve the level of social services in vocational colleges and make greater contributions to local economic construction and social development.

#### 4. Case Analysis and Practical Experience Summary

#### 4.1 Introduction and Analysis of Typical Case

Among various social service projects, the "Sunshine Home Plan" is a typical example. This plan aims to help disabled people and vulnerable groups, enhancing their life quality and employability through one-year rehabilitation training and vocational training. The plan is divided into three stages: assessment and diagnosis, rehabilitation training and vocational training, and employment support.

In the assessment and diagnosis stage, a professional team conducts a comprehensive evaluation of each participant's physical condition, psychological status, and living environment to identify their problems and develop personalized rehabilitation and vocational training plans.

In the rehabilitation training and vocational training stage, participants will receive a series of rehabilitation training and vocational skills training, including physical therapy, career-oriented training, life skills training, etc. At the same time, they will also be provided with some suitable career guidance and employment recommendations based on their interests and abilities<sup>[4]</sup>.

In the employment support stage, the plan will also provide participants with some employment support, including internship placement before employment, and follow-up support after employment.

Through this typical case, we can see that a successful social service project requires a comprehensive assessment of participants' needs, the development of personalized rehabilitation and vocational training plans, and the provision of ongoing support and guidance. At the same time, this project also emphasizes the importance of teamwork and interdisciplinary collaboration, as well as close cooperation with the community and other institutions.

#### 4.2 Summary and inspiration of practical experience

From this typical case, we can summarize the following practical experience:

- 1) Comprehensive assessment: When designing and implementing social service projects, it is necessary to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the needs of service recipients, including physical conditions, psychological conditions, and social environments. This helps identify the problems of service recipients and provide personalized service plans.
- 2) Personalized service: According to the individual differences and needs of service recipients, developing personalized rehabilitation and vocational training plans can improve service effectiveness and quality.

- 3) Interdisciplinary collaboration: Social services require multidisciplinary knowledge and skills, including medicine, psychology, social work, and so on. Therefore, it is necessary to form an interdisciplinary team that can provide more comprehensive and professional services<sup>[5]</sup>.
- 4) Community cooperation: Social services should work closely with the community, making full use of community resources to improve service accessibility and sustainability.
- 5) Continuous support: It is important to provide continuous support and guidance to service recipients to help them better adapt to society and improve their quality of life.

These practical experiences have important implications for the design and implementation of effective social service projects. At the same time, we also need to constantly summarize new practical experiences, and constantly improve and innovate social service models and methods to better meet the needs of society.

#### 5. Conclusion

In conclusion, higher vocational colleges have an important role to play in enhancing social service capabilities in order to promote local economic development and social progress. By leveraging their own strengths, strengthening cooperation with all sectors of society, and expanding the scope and depth of social services, vocational colleges can provide stronger support for local economic construction and social development. Through theoretical discussion and case analysis, this article provides strategies and suggestions for vocational colleges to enhance their social service capabilities, making positive contributions to the coordinated development of local economy and society.

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