

Brief Introduction of School of Foreign Languages and cultures

I. A Survey of the School

The School of Foreign Languages and Cultures has perfect facilities and 80 high-qualified teachers including 16 professors and associate professors, 26 lecturers, 40 postgraduates, 1 doctor, and 3 foreign teachers from the United States of America, who have greatly helped improve our English teaching and learning. The teachers fulfill the teaching tasks of over 1,000 English majors and more than 11,000 non-English majors. In addition, the school has 10 modern multi-media language labs, 1 English broadcast station, 20-odd English newspapers and periodicals every year, over 3000 books for English teaching and research as well as plenty of audiovisual materials.

The school opens English specialty of four-year undergraduate courses and three-year college education courses with branches in English education, business and trade English, and tourism English. We lay stress on training of English basic skills as well as social knowledge and practical abilities. The school has established certain long-term practice bases in Nanning and Beihai in Guangxi autonomous region, Rui'an in Zhejiang province, Kunming, Lijiang and Dali in Yunnan province, Chengdu, Leshan, Panzhihua and the neighbourhood in Sichuan province. It strengthens the communication and cooperation with foreign experts, engineers, technicians and friends.

II. A Brief Introduction to the Specialties

1. English specialty of undergraduate courses

The aim is to nurture and train advanced comprehensive English specialized personnel who have a good grasp of English language, culture and basic skills in listening, speaking, reading, writing and translating. The graduates are able to undertake such jobs as translating, teaching, management and research by using English skillfully in the fields of foreign affairs, education, business and trade,

tourism, culture, science and technology.

The main subjects are basic English, advanced English, English listening and speaking, English extensive reading, English writing, translation, interpretation, English literature, English culture, English linguistics, English phonetics, English lexicology, English grammar, business English, tourism English, secretarial English, Chinese, international trade, finance and accounting, tourism culture, public relations, pedagogics, etc.

2. English specialty of three-year college education

The aim is to nurture and train comprehensive English specialized personnel who have a sound grasp of English language, culture and basic skills in listening, speaking, reading, writing and translating. The graduates are able to work as translator, English teacher, secretary, tourist guide and so on by using English in the fields of foreign affairs, education, business and trade, tourism and public relations.

The main subjects include English intensive reading, English extensive reading, English listening and speaking, English writing, translation, interpretation, English literature, English culture, English pronunciation, English grammar, business English, tourism English, secretarial English, English letters and cables, Chinese, international trade, finance and accounting, marketing, tourism culture, public relations, etc.

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