Extra-class Activities towards Leadership - Based on the Student Teachers from 27 Normal Universities and Colleges

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It begins a new stage of improving the quality of teacher education in China, and the focus is to train high-quality teachers. The extra-class activities (Ke Wai Huo Dong) are main elements in students' campus life. This paper tries to discuss the effect of extra-class activities on the leadership towards student teachers in normal universities and colleges. It is based on the "Teacher Education Institution Surveys" (2011) in the National Database for Teacher Education Policy (NDTEP) by the Center for Research Database in Teacher Education Policy, East China Normal University which collects 6624 student samples from 27 normal universities and colleges in China. The paper describes the various kinds of extra-class activities organized by normal universities and colleges as well as the involvement of students in the context of four levels of institutions and different majors, which effect on the future teachers' leadership. It makes the suggestions for extra-class activities towards educational leadership in the future.

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