



Higher Education for the Aged in China

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Introduction

- population aging
- aging society
- China became an aging society in 1999

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Table 1 The number of people over 60

Year	Number(million)	%
1964	29	4.0
2012	194	14.3
2013	200	14.8
2014	212	15.5
2015	222	16.1
2016	264	18.8



Introduction

The number of people over 60 years old was 29 million in 1964 and it was 212 million in 2014, exactly 50 years. The number is 264 millions and accounts for 18.8% of the total population in 2016. It is estimated that the number of the aged will be 430 million in 2050. China will be the greatest population of the aged in the world.

Introduction

- The university for the aged is also called “University of the third age”.
- The first university for the aged : “Shandong Red Cross University for the Aged” was established in China in 1983.

In the end of June in 2013, there are 2,198 regular higher education institutions in China, only 95 of them have established universities for the aged.

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Table 2 Number of Universities for the aged

District	Province or Municipality	University numbers
East China	Shanghai	9
	Jiangsu	9
	Anhui	7
	Zhejiang	3
	Fujian	3
	Shangdong	1

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District	Province or Municipality	University numbers
Central China	Hubei	8
	Hu'nan	7
	He'nan	3
	Jiangxi	1

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Table 2 Number of Universities for the aged

District	Province or Municipality	University numbers
North China	Beijing	6
	Shanxi	1
	Tianjin	4
	Hebei	0
	Inner Mongolia	2

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District	Province or Municipality	University numbers
South China	Guangdong	3
	Guangxi	2
	Hainan	0

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District	Province or Municipality	University numbers
Northeast China	Liaoning	2
	Jilin	2
	Heilongjiang	2

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District	Province or Municipality	University numbers
Southwest China	Chongqing	4
	Guizhou	4
	Sichuan	2
	Yunnan	2
	Xizang	0

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Northwest China	Shaanxi	6
	Gansu	1
	Xinjiang	1
	Qinghai	0
	Ningxia	0

Regulations related to universities for the aged

- Seven years development of aging program in China (1994-2000),1994
- Law on the Protection of Rights and Interests of the Aged in People's Republic of China,1996
- Decision on Strengthening the Work of Aging,2000
- Notice on the Education for the Aged,2001
- The “11th Five-Year” planning for aging industry development in China,2006

Regulations related to universities for the aged

- "11th Five-Year" Outline for education development in China,2007
- The National Outline for medium and long term education reform and development (2010-2020),2010
- China's aging industry development "12th Five-Year" planning,2011
- The National Human Rights Action Plan,2012
- Law on the Protection of Rights and Interests of the aged in People's Republic of China(revised edition),2012

The current situation of universities for the aged

- Management system
- Operating funding

Table 3 The funding source of universities for the aged in Shanghai in 2014

Funding source	The percentage (%)
Tuition fee	75.51
Subsidy from regular universities	10.28
Subsidy from governments	12.75
Other	1.46

The current situation of universities for the aged

- Courses

Number: increasing with time;

Categories: culture, health, recreation, languages and IT

Textbooks:

The current situation of universities for the aged

○ Faculty

The faculty age

Age	The percentage (%)
20-39	12.77
40-59	33.33
Over 60	53.90

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○ Faculty

The faculty professional titles

professional titles	The percentage (%)
professor	11.21
Associate professor	20.87
Assistant professor	31.15
Others	36.77

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○ Faculty

The faculty source

source	The percentage (%)
Retired from the attached university	16.51
Faculty of the attached university	9.35
Postgraduates of the attached university	7.16
Persons outside the attached university	66.98

The current situation of universities for the aged

○ The students

The age of students

age	The percentage (%)
40-49	0.94
50-59	35.78
60-69	42.45
Over 70	20.83

The current situation of universities for the aged

The Educational background of students

Educational background	The percentage (%)
Graduated from university and over	51.77
Senior High school	39.08
Junior High school	8.93
Primary school	0.22



Suggestions and Conclusion

- The main problems and the solve methods
- The future development



Suggestions and Conclusion

An investigation by Chinese Association of University for the aged in October 2013 showed that there are 59,711 universities and schools for the aged, the total enrollment is 6,772,834.

There are 169,000,000 aged have the need for aged education in the end of 2013.



Thank you so much for
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