

Future Professional Goals of Snow(Xue) Song

1. Being an inspiring teacher. W.B Yeats once said, "Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire." It will never be enough even if students take every word we deliver, it is their determination and efforts of learning that make them a fluent and confident Chinese speaker. I will try to help students find their motivation and encourage them keep exploring the world of Chinese language and culture.
2. Being open-minded and continue learning. I just recently graduated graduate school, yet that does not signify the ending of my learning period. On the contrary, I learn with more practical experience and be able to apply what I learn to students working with me. All theories come with a basement, all these reasonable theories, however, lead to different outcome. I will positively participate in workshops, conferences, trainings to enrich myself.
3. Being reflective. There are a lot of occasions that we understand things only after thinking back when it has gone. As far as I am concerned, learning from the past is a great way of knowing myself. Only by comparing what I used to do or considered right with new things I try to know, do I have the chance to speculate different facets of things and to be more objective. Meditation, thinking with mindfulness, writing self-reflection diaries are all effective ways of reflecting my way of living, of communicating with colleagues, of being a supportive but not interfering educator.