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#### 英/双语教学的成功路径与商科英文原版教材的效用

(代序)

在我国高校,用英语或双语教授专业课程(以下简称:英/双语教学)始于改革开放引进热潮,历经30年,虽发展不快,仍在缓慢推进。20世纪80年代,改革开放后留学归来的教育界学者们不仅引进了各学科先进的研究成果,也随之引进了西方高校的教材。以清华大学出版社为领军的国内出版社适时地引进了西方优秀教材的影印版,推动了一些高校开始在专业课程中开展英/双语教学。2007年以来,国家教育质量工程专设的"国家高校双语教学示范课程建设点"的评定项目被视为政府教育发展的政策风向标,正有力地推动着高校英/双语教学的发展。

但对英/双语教学的必要性,我国高校内部一直争议不断。争议首先围绕着中国人用英语教学的必要性。在公认英语是目前世界通用语言的前提下,英/双语教学的必要性取决于我国高校师生是否有必要及时汲取世界最新的知识和研究成果。答案是不言而喻的。况且英/双语教学省却了翻译过程,可以避免常见的信息减损和曲解问题。不过,信息发布者——教师的英语演讲能力和信息接收者——学生的英语解读能力不足又成为开展英/双语教学的障碍。因而常见的反对意见是,开展英/双语教学,课堂教学内容就会缩水,因为讲授者和听众都得花费精力和时间解译内容。如此看来,我国开展英/双语教学的高校教师必须应对挑战,洞察在我国现有条件下用英文原版教材开展英/双语教学的利和弊,并找到可行的扬长避短的路径。

在经济开放和全球化的大趋势推动下,我国中小学英语教学分量加重,英语普及程度逐年提高,高校新生的英语基础愈益扎实;教师的英语能力也随着师资的新陈代谢而日见增强。这一趋势无疑在为英/双语教学营造越来越有利的条件。尽管如此,不同于以英语为主要语言或官方语言的一些国家,英语在我国的普及率仍较低。在青少年中,英语的普及程度和英语应用能力还仅处于初级水平;高校中能用英语演讲的教师尚属少数,且熟练程度还有待大幅提高。这样的师生英语基础,使得英/双语教学面临巨大的挑战。

同时,在多数的中国高校课堂里,教学任务多被视为逐章讲解某本教材的内容。本土中文教材通常是 400~500 页的 32 开本,含理论框架、主要知识点、计算方法和习题,但案例和故事不在其中,多由教师在讲解时添加,以演示和诠释理论要点。迄今仍然普遍盛行的"填鸭式"、"满堂灌"的传统教学法侧重于传授知识,从多数评教指标可见,只要学生感觉教师讲得精彩、有条理、能解惑,就算教学成功。

而引进的国外教材篇幅通常较长,16 开大本,500~800 页。习惯于上述传统教学法和评价标准的人们自然会产生一个疑问:在有限的课时内,这么厚的教材,怎么讲得完?其实,发达国家多数高校对学生阅读量的要求远远大于我国高校(即使是中文课本和资料),名校更是如此。它们的教材不仅涵盖理论框架和基本概念,而且富含长短不一、详简各异的演示性案例、故事和大量习题,总之它便于学生自学。课堂讲解只占一半课时,其余课时常被用于师生讨论和互动。于是,教师的讲解主要是勾勒理

论框架,阐释重点和难点,还需针对事先布置的阅读资料和讨论题,引导学生展开讨论。可见,大厚本的教材适合于能力培训教学法。两者相辅相成,致力于调动学生的主动性:他们必须大量阅读和思考,才能在课堂上有上好的表现,真正成为学习的主人。结果,他们的能力获得了必要和切实的磨炼。

由此可见,英/双语教学不只是教学语言的改变,它可以达到三重效用:传授专业知识;传授英语知识;同时训练专业方法和英语的应用技能。也因此,一些非英语国家的高校不惜成本,开展英/双语教学,使用与之相配的教材。对我国高校来说,要想成功开展英/双语教学,恐怕首先需要改变传统的教育思想和教学方法。换言之,如果高校想要使教育、教学接近世界先进水准,用英文原版影印教材开展英/双语教学是有效的途径。

迄今为止,原版英文教材的缺点也很明显。鉴于发达国家的作者是以其母国为背景,多数教材不涉及中国国情。教师必须在教学中紧密结合中国国情,提供相关案例、资料和思考讨论题,适时引导师生思辨现有理论的普适性,激励师生发现和创作适合我国国情的经济学、管理学、营销学规律。在我国作者编写和出版足量的优质英文教材之前,这些额外的工作必须由开展英/双语教学的教师来承担。

古今中外,成才之士都乐于阅读和探索,而这种氛围却在当今我国的大学校园里愈见淡化。加之中国学生相对薄弱的英语基础,目前英/双语教学仍面临很大的挑战:"填鸭式"的讲授与之相悖;仅靠课堂讲授和互动也很难奏效。但如能培养学生阅读和探索真理的兴趣,并营造一个全方位的孵化温床或生态环境,英/双语教学是有望成功的。根据能力培育过程的所需,这个生态环境包含师生对教育、教学的共识,好学求知的校风,富有挑战和师生互动的课堂教学,从课外讲座、项目操作到校园竞赛等第二课堂活动,便于师生交流的校园互联网等。

要做到这些,教师亟待与时俱进。随着师资的年轻化和高学历化,如今年轻教师的英语基础更好。但逆水行舟,不进则退。英语能力的进退取决于使用频率的多寡,其实英/双语教学过程既是加强英语使用、提高英语能力,也是汲取世界新知的最佳机会。不过,这一过程通常比用汉语教学的付出大得多,且因学生也需成倍地付出,英/双语教学的课程不容易像汉语教学课程那样容易在短期内获得学生的好评。因此给予英/双语教学的教师足够的激励成为生态环境的首要组成部分;缺乏对教师的足够激励,上述英/双语教学的生态环境就无法营造。

诚然,在教育体制和环境不够理想的情况下,教师和学生仍然有个人自训和奋斗的条件。英语原版教材影印版在我国的出版和更新就是对英/双语教学的及时支持。清华大学出版社近期又有一批英文原版影印教材出版,相信必将更进一步推动英/双语教学的发展。如今,已有一些本土高校的教师与英语国家的教师合著英文教材;在可见的将来,还会有中国教师编写发行到世界各地的英文教材。总之,及时用好英文原版影印教材,编写优质的英文教材是我国高校教师的历史责任。

愿英/双语教学的师资队伍愈益壮大,愿英/双语教学更加有力地推动我国教学方法与国际接轨,愿我国高校各级学生在英/双语教学中受益良多,茁壮成长!

#### **Preface**

The field of entrepreneurship is experiencing incredible rates of growth, not only in the United States but across the world as well. People of all ages, backgrounds, and nationalities are launching businesses of their own and, in the process, are reshaping the global economy. Entrepreneurs are discovering the natural advantages that result from their companies' small size—speed, agility, flexibility, sensitivity to customers' needs, creativity, a spirit of innovation, and many others—give them the ability to compete successfully with companies many times their size and that have budgets to match. As large companies struggle to survive wrenching changes in competitive forces by downsizing, merging, and restructuring, the unseen army of small businesses continues to flourish and to carry the nation's economy on its back. Entrepreneurs willing to assume the risks of the market to gain its rewards are at the heart of capitalism. These men and women, with their bold entrepreneurial spirits, have led our nation into prosperity throughout history. Entrepreneurship is a significant force throughout the world. We need to look no farther than those nations that are throwing off decades of control and central planning in favor of capitalism to see where the entrepreneurial process begins. In every case, it is the entrepreneurs who create small companies that lead those nations out of the jungles of economic oppression to higher standards of living and hope for the future.

In the United States, we can be thankful that the small business sector is strong and thriving. Small companies deliver the goods and services we use every day, provide jobs and training for millions of workers, and lead the way in creating the products and services that will make our lives easier and more enjoyable in the future. Small businesses were responsible for introducing to the world the elevator, the airplane, FM radio, the zipper, the personal computer, and a host of other marvelous inventions. The imaginations of the next generation of entrepreneurs of which you may be a part, will determine which other fantastic products and services may lie in our future! Whatever those ideas may be, we can be sure of one thing: entrepreneurs will be there to make them happen.

The purpose of this book is to open your mind to the possibilities, the challenges, and the rewards of owning your own business and to provide the tools you will need to be successful if you choose the path of the entrepreneur. It is not an easy road to follow, but the rewards—both tangible and intangible—are well worth the risks. Not only may you be rewarded financially for your business idea, but also like entrepreneurs the world over, you will be able to work at doing something you love!

Effective Small Business Management: An Entrepreneurial Approach, Ninth Edition, brings to you the material you will need to launch and manage a small business successfully in the hotly competitive environment of the twenty-first century. In writing this edition, we have worked hard to provide you with plenty of practical, "hands-on" tools and techniques to make your business venture a success. Many people launch businesses every year, but only some of them succeed. This book teaches you the right way to launch and manage a small business with the staying power to succeed and grow. Perhaps one day we'll be writing about your success story in future editions of this book!

#### **Text Features**

Effective Small Business Management, Ninth Edition, contains many unique features that make it the ideal book for entrepreneurs who are serious about launching their businesses the right way. These features include the following:

■ Case studies. This edition includes an exciting feature: 10 new cases, all of them featuring actual entrepreneurs and their business ventures, many of which you can research online. These cases are designed to give you the opportunity to apply the concepts that you have learned throughout the course. They challenge students on a variety of topics that are covered in the text, and they are ideal for either individual or group assignments. Case writer Kathy Korman Frey, whose cases have been published in a variety of venues, including the Harvard Business School Press, contributed the cases to this edition.

- Business Plan Pro. Professors also can choose to bundle with this edition Business Plan Pro, the best-selling business planning software on the market. To many entrepreneurs, preparing a business plan seems at first to be an overwhelming task, but Business Plan Pro makes the job much easier by providing an easyto-use guide that leads students through the process of building a solid business plan. At the end of every chapter, you will find exercises to help you integrate the topics that you have studied in the chapter with Business Plan Pro to create a powerful business plan. (Business Plan Pro ISBN: 0-13-187484-5) Instructors also can choose to have Business Plan Pro bundled with the textbook at a special value price. Contact your local Prentice Hall sales representative for more information.
- A complete chapter on e-commerce and thorough coverage of the World Wide Web (WWW) as a business tool. One of the most important business tools in existence today is the World Wide Web. Still in its infancy, it is already proving to be a powerful force in reshaping the face of business. Effective Small Business Management, Ninth Edition, offers the most comprehensive coverage of e-commerce of any book on the market. In these pages, you will find many references to the Web, ideas for using the Web as a business tool, and examples of entrepreneurs who are unleashing the power of the Web in creative ways.
- Text material that is relevant, practical, and key to entrepreneurial success. Easy and interesting to read, this edition offers streamlined coverage of the topics you'll need to know about when you launch your own business without sacrificing the quality or the content of earlier editions.
- Lots of examples. Because examples help people learn more effectively and efficiently, you will find plenty of examples that are new to this edition; they illustrate how entrepreneurs are using the concepts covered in the text to make their businesses more successful. These examples are also a great way to stimulate creativity.
- Emphasis on building and using a business plan. Chapter 6, "Conducting a Feasibility Analysis and Crafting a Winning Business Plan," is devoted to building a business plan and features in many other chapters reinforce the business planning process.
- A sample business plan. Many courses in entrepreneurship and small business management require students to write business plans. Students of entrepreneurship find it helpful to have a model to guide them as they build their own plans, and they can use the plan that appears in the Appendix as a resource. The plan is one written for My Friends Bookstore, a very successful business that was started and is operated by three college students. These young men used the previous edition of this book to help them launch their business.
- Features in every chapter that help students master the material more readily.

  Learning objectives introduce each chapter, and they appear in the text margins at the appropriate places to keep students' attention focused on what they are learning. Chapter summaries are organized by learning objectives as well.
- Boxed features in every chapter that follow three important themes:
  - "In the Entrepreneurial Spotlight"—cases that offer in-depth, interesting, and unique examples of entrepreneurs who are using the concepts covered in the text and reinforce the chapter learning objectives.
  - "Entrepreneurship in Action"—short cases that give students the opportunity to apply the concepts that they are learning in the course to an actual business.
  - "Gaining a Competitive Edge"—a "hands-on, how-to" feature designed to offer
    practical advice on a particular topic that students can use to develop a competitive edge for their businesses.

Each feature presents thought-provoking issues that will produce lively class discussions and enhance students' learning experiences by asking them to (1) identify, (2) analyze, and (3) evaluate key issues related to entrepreneurship.

- Updated coverage of important topics such as:
  - Conducting a feasibility analysis and building a business plan
  - E-commerce

- Strategic management
- Guerrilla marketing techniques
- · Sources of financing, both equity and debt
- Business strategies for reaching global markets

In short, we have taken one of the most successful and time-tested books in the market and made it even better!

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