

Abstract

In recent years, autonomy in learning has been increasingly discussed among teachers, educators and researchers. Many people agree that learners who have a high level of autonomy in learning are more likely to be successful in their professional and academic goals. Especially in universities or colleges in Western countries, this suggestion is commonly conformed. However, Chinese students who study in Western universities have often complained about a lack of learner autonomy. This study examines whether Chinese postgraduate students studying in Western countries are autonomous or not, and also discusses the main factors which influence their autonomy in learning. This study uses descriptive cross-sectional studies to investigate the question in a sample of 141 Chinese postgraduate students studying in Western countries by means of a questionnaire. The subsequent data was analysed with SPSS 19.0. The results of this study indicate that Chinese postgraduate students studying in Western countries are as autonomous, which means in Western countries, Chinese postgraduate students' learning experiences have changed compared to the past. This study lists three general main factors that have been found to contribute to this change. This study will hopefully make a contribution to future studies on learner autonomy in Chinese students and help to improve learner autonomy to some extent. However, there are some to for this study

Feedback

- Define further when indicated.
- Use British English throughout.
- Make sure to provide citation when a claim is made.
- Be careful with tenses and plurals.
- Avoid overly complicated sentences. If you are struggling to get your point across, say it as simply as you can.

批注 [Ma1]: Do you mean 'learner autonomy'? This phrase seems to be more frequently used. I also advise defining what this term means.

批注 [Ma2]: Be careful with tense.

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批注 [Ma3]: Like who? This is a bit vague and needs citation.

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批注 [Ma4]: I advise deleting this as it is clear and you risk repeating yourself.

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批注 [Ma5]: Be careful with capitals. If you're talking about the West (i.e. Western Europe, USA, etc.) then it is spelled 'West', not 'west'.

批注 [Ma6]: Do you mean 'learner autonomy is commonplace'?

批注 [Ma7]: Be careful with tenses and the gerund.

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批注 [Ma8]: Be careful with tense, if you are talking about

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批注 [Ma9]: What question? You should define further

批注 [Ma10]: Be careful with plurals.

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批注 [Ma11]: Use British English throughout.

批注 [Ma12]: Consider defining what this is further.

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批注 [Ma13]: Are as autonomous as what? Do you mean

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