

Zhejiang University students enrolled Biodiversity Course virtually celebrating IDB

Theme: Our solutions are in nature

Formation: Online Course Discussion

Date: May 22, 2020

Organization: Zhejiang University

The International Day for Biological Diversity event was celebrated on 22nd May, 2020 by Zhejiang University General Course on Biodiversity Teaching Team, 105 participants in 3 classes from over 48 cities across China and Uzbekistan attended this online course discussion. Some highlights of the course discussion are followings:

1) Firstly, on 21st May 2020, a theoretical online course on Sustainable maintaining Biodiversity was carried out by the leading professor of the teaching team, and the special celebration event titled as “Our Action on Biodiversity” was announced as indicated in the CBD website (<https://www.cbd.int/idb/2020/celebrations>).

2) All registered 105 students in 3 classes were arranged into different groups to have preliminary brainstorming discussion on their interested actions on biodiversity.

3) on May 22, 2020, online course discussion began in 6:30 pm under the coordination of respective graduate teaching assistant in each class, group representative presented their planned activities according to their brainstorming discussion topics, and questioned by classmates in very active atmosphere.

4) After online virtual group picture was taken, teaching assistants voted several well-designed schemes for the theme of “Our Action on Biodiversity” and showed as follows.

Through the preparation, designation and online presentation and discussion “Our Action on Biodiversity”, students have an enhanced understanding on the importance of biodiversity, and their actively participating in the subject expressed their creativity in discovering the solution in nature can be promoted.



The "Biodiversity" course, as a General Course in Zhejiang University, has been running since 1998, and is registered yearly by more than 100 even 150 undergraduate students from multiple subjects in the University. Course teaching, Group discussion and field trips on different topics are the main modes of the course. Each year, the International Day for Biological Diversity (IDB) theme is one of the key discussion topics in the course. The final designation of a biodiversity related project is one of the task forces of enrolled student or student groups. This year's IDB is exactly celebrated on the day of May 22 in the course and the theme "Our solutions are in nature" has been stimulating course-participants' life-long planning for biodiversity conservation and maintaining.

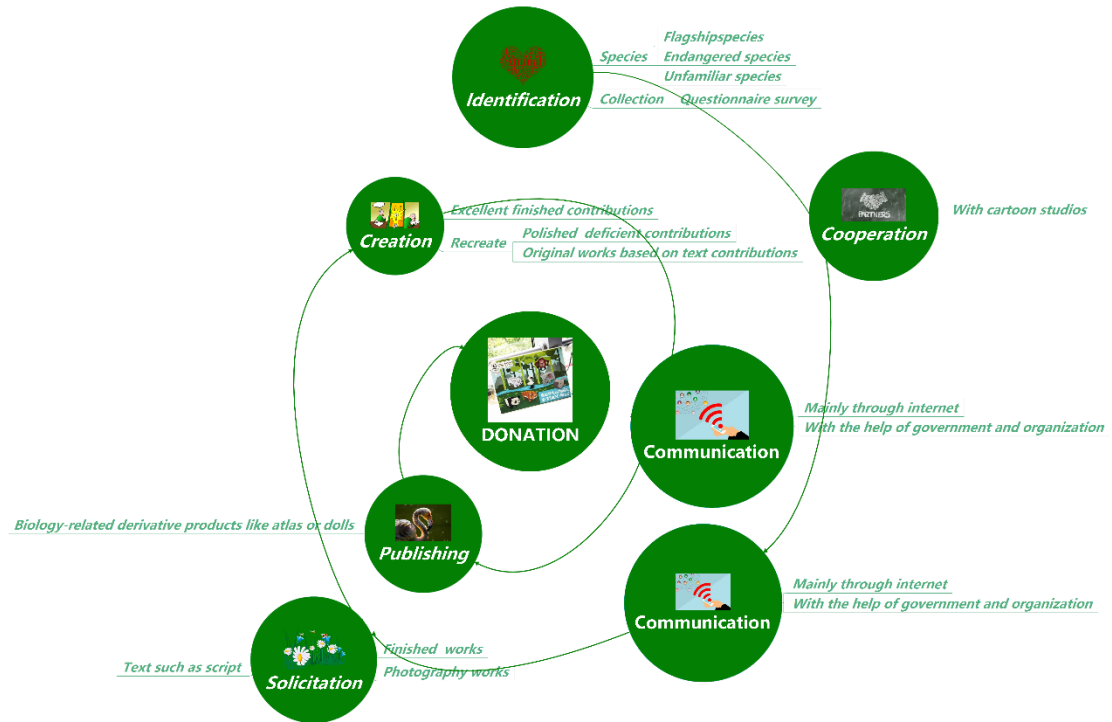
Some well-designed actions on biodiversity are showed in follow:

Plan 1. Use of Serialization of cartoons to promote the awareness of biodiversity

Brief introduction: Serialization of cartoons about Chinese biodiversity and sell related products for charity or environment protection organization.

Authors: Biodiversity 2020 Spring-Summer Semester Class A

The frame of designment:



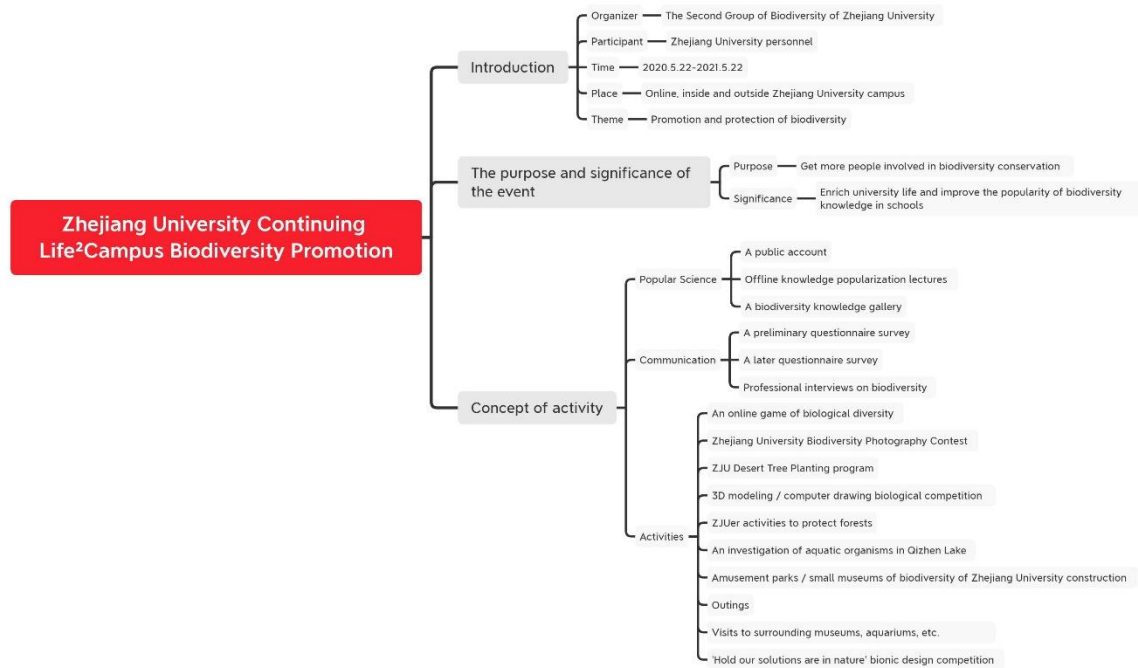
Plan 2. Zhejiang University *Continuing Life*² Campus Biodiversity Promotion Activity

Duration: May 22, 2020 - May 22, 2021.

Brief introduction: May 22 is the biodiversity activity day. People will host a series of activities with the theme of promotion and protection of biodiversity on this day. This design aims to enable everyone to understand relevant knowledge and work together to protect biological diversity. Specific activities include: science, communication, and activities.

Authors: Biodiversity 2020 Spring-Summer Semester Class A

The frame of this design:



Plan 3. Comprehensive Understanding of Biodiversity

Date: May 22, International Day for Biological Diversity

Brief introduction: Aiming at arousing public awareness towards biodiversity and promoting science popularization, especially for youngsters, we designed a series of activities which will take place on city squares. With the help of high-tech devices like virtual reality (VR), the activities are to be interactive and immersive. Equipped with these features, the whole program is more like a garden party than a dull lecture. Based on the meaning of biodiversity, we divided the program into three sessions: Species diversity, Genetic diversity and Ecosystem diversity. Each session will have its unique activities, but they will be all centered on one main idea, that is, biodiversity is important for our survival.

Authors: Biodiversity 2020 Spring-Summer Semester Class B

Frame of this designment:



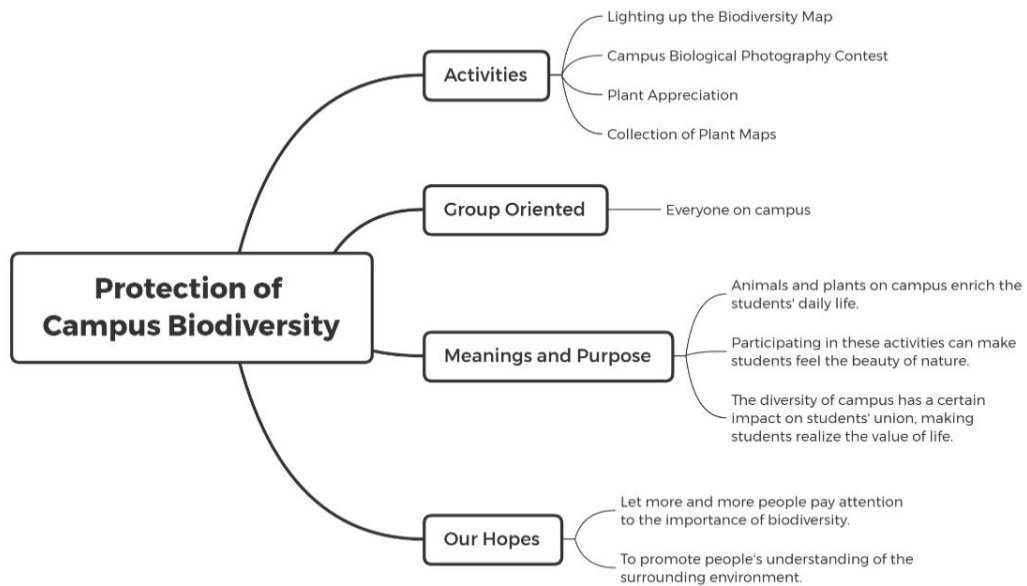
Plan 4. Biodiversity Conservation Promotion Activities In ZJU

Date: May 22, International Day for Biological Diversity

Brief introduction: Biodiversity conservation promotion activities consists of 4 activities: Plant appreciation, Collection of plant maps, Light up the biodiversity map, and Campus biodiversity photography contest. We hope that through these four activities, students will learn some knowledge about biodiversity, protect biodiversity and have fun together.

Authors: Biodiversity 2020 Spring-Summer Semester Class C

The frame of designment:



Plan 5. Big Hands with Small Hands - Zhejiang University Students Help Pupils to Learn Biodiversity (Around West Stream National Wetland Park)

Date: Weekends

Brief Introduction: to give students a direct contact and real natural practice with nature. In order to have an inquiry-based activity for part of the elementary school biology curriculum, provide students with direct understanding of the local ecosystem of the Xixi (West Stream) National Wetland Park in Hangzhou, China. The activity aims to enable students to be fully exposed to the outdoors, to develop an understanding of the environment and to come up with ideas that are beneficial to the environment.

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The frame of designment:



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