

XOOPS's Newest Application: [6xue.info](http://6xue.info) - YAXS

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6xue.info has also added new system features in XOOPS, including online survey functionality, management and search of "service provider" businesses, management and search of products, a new module providing for management of each user's selected articles and discussions, new personalization tools, and a basic capability to manage a user's "friends" on line.

Improvements to the core by Jiang and the development team at 6xue.info include a system to manage personal messages among users, unification of forums and the messaging system and improvements to the notifications functionality. 6xue.info has also simplified user access and improved tracking capabilities, enabling online tracking, view, and copying of "watch lists" of articles, discussions, and communications.

All of these new functionalities and improvements to the core are being contributed back to the XOOPS group.

### **About 6xue.info**

6xue.info offers evaluations of overseas universities and China-based educational service providers, such as language schools and college test-preparation courses, in order to help Chinese students make choices for their future. These evaluations are based on extensive surveys of current students and recent alumni. The site also offers a deep database of resources for students considering going overseas for study. 6xue.info provides an open forum for students and graduates to share their experiences. 6xue.info is free to readers. It is supported by advertising but, to avoid any conflicts of interest, it does not accept money from organizations whose products or services are reviewed.

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