

## **Confucius Institute at Troy University Brings Chinese Paper-cutting to Local Communities**

On May 8th, 2019, the Confucius Institute at Troy University held a Chinese paper-cutting culture sharing activity at a local senior nursing center, Crowne Health Care of Montgomery. Over 40 seniors joined the activity.

At the beginning, the visiting scholar of CITU, Dr. Li Fang, gave a general introduction to Chinese paper-cutting, and then showed some classic paper-cutting works, like the one with the Chinese character “Fu” and the twelve zodiac animals. The seniors were eager to make their own paper-cutting works. Then they started their own paper-cutting of the panda. When they completed the panda paper-cutting, they were so excited and would keep their own works forever.

The working staff at the nursing center expressed their great thanks to CITU for bringing the special Chinese cultural activities to the local communities. CITU has established a long cooperation relationship with the local senior centers, which will furtherly promote the spreading of Chinese culture in the local communities.

## 孔子学院在当地社区进行中国剪纸文化分享活动

当地时间 5 月 8 日，特洛伊大学孔子学院到当地老年中心 Crowne Health Care of Montgomery 为社区老人分享中国剪纸文化，参加活动人数达 40。

活动一开始孔院访问学者方丽博士介绍了中国剪纸概况，并展示了具有代表性的“福”字剪纸、生肖剪纸等等。随后老人们拿起剪子兴致勃勃地开始尝试剪大熊猫。老人们拿着自己完成的大熊猫剪纸作品，异常兴奋，都高兴地表示要把自己亲手制作的剪纸作品保存起来。

社区工作人员对孔院这样把中国文化送到社区中的做法非常欣赏，表示了由衷的谢意。孔子学院与当地老年中心建立了长期的合作关系，通过深入社区进行文化传播的方式，极大地促进了中国文化在当地的传播。