Summer Study Abroad Program
August 2 - 15, 2017
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Program Description
We embark on an exploration of cultural icons and contemporary businesses in a vast one-time-zone country filled with fascinating paradoxes. We visit epic and enchanting cities, the Three Gorges Dam, and a one-day cruise on the Li River. Cross-cultural business commonalities and differences are studied using economic, political, legal, social, and cultural facets, while integrating theory with practice relative to accounting, management and international business issues. We will visit a variety of organizations in Beijing, Suzhou, Wuhan and Shanghai with the opportunity to examine:

- The role of business in society
- Public-private sector relationships
- Strategic management
- Foreign business valuation
- Business and economic development
- Transfer pricing
- Foreign taxation
- Human behavior in the workplace in developed vs. emerging markets

This monumental journey integrates business with culture, urban with rural, global industry challengers with the oldest living civilization, and creates an opportunity of a lifetime. The prospect of interviewing managers in China adds a significant dimension to this study abroad program. Emphasis is placed on understanding and applying management and accounting principles in the cross-national context. Many students regard this program as their most fulfilling university learning experience. A pivotal program, promising an impactful, interdisciplinary, immersion experience in which you will cultivate cross-cultural literacy and leadership skills across professional and personal dimensions.

Accommodations
Participants will stay in Western-managed first class hotels.

Application Information
The program is open to undergraduate and graduate students who meet all academic requirements of the Georgia State University J. Mack Robinson College of Business. Program size is limited and participation is contingent upon acceptance by the Program Director.

Transient Students: please see the Transient Student tab on the How to Apply page: mystudyabroad.gsu.edu/prospective/how-to-apply

International students at Georgia State who hold F-1 visas must contact the Office of International Students and Scholar Services at (404) 413-2070 to discuss possible implications of study abroad for their immigration status.

Application Deadline: January 31, 2017
TENTATIVE PROGRAM ITINERARY

August 02
Atlanta - Beijing

August 03
Arrival Beijing

August 04-06:
Beijing

August 07
Beijing - Yichang

August 08
Three Gorges Dam/Guilin

August 09
Guilin – Li River Cruise and Reed Flute Cave

August 10
Guilin/Shanghai/ Suzhou

August 11
Suzhou/Shanghai

August 12-14
Shanghai

August 15
Shanghai - Atlanta

Courses and Credits
Participants who successfully complete the program’s courses will receive six semester hours of course credit at Georgia State. Graduate students should register for MGS 8860/ACCT 8660 and undergraduate students should register for MGS 4860/ACCT 8660. Students from other institutions should follow their school’s regulations concerning transfer credits. Students from other institutions should follow their institution’s regulations concerning transfer credits.

Program Cost
Program cost may vary at any time according to currency fluctuations and changing travel arrangements. The program cost is tentatively set at $4,850, PLUS regular Georgia State University tuition and fees. Non-resident/out-of-state students will pay in-state tuition plus a $250 fee in addition to the program cost. For more information on what the program cost does and does not include, please visit: http://www.studyabroad.gsu.edu/?go=RCBChina

Payment Schedule
$500 deposit with application or soon thereafter
March 31, 2017 – Remaining balance
All payments are non-refundable upon receipt

Scholarship Information
Georgia State University students are eligible to apply for the IEF Scholarship and may be eligible to apply for the Global Experience Scholarship. Visit http://mystudyabroad.gsu.edu/prospective/funding-study-abroad or call the Study Abroad Programs office at (404) 413-2529 to learn more about scholarships & financial aid for study abroad.

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