

TENTATIVE ITINERARY

The university reserves the right to alter program arrangements if required by circumstances.

Preliminary Dates

Feb. 14	Application due
Feb. 15-19	Interviews with GSUCI Director
Feb. 20	Notice of acceptance decisions
Feb. 25	Deposit of \$500
Mar. 1	1st installment of program fee due: \$1,000
March 10	2nd (final) installment of program fee due: \$700 (total program fee: \$2,200, covers airfare, program administration, international travel insurance, and misc.)
Mar. 28	First Mandatory orientation (Confucius Institute)
May 9	Pre-departure orientation

Program Dates

May 12	Depart Atlanta for Beijing
May 13	Arrive in Beijing
May 14	Beijing Language & Cultural University Placement, Campus Tour, Welcome Banquet
May 15	AM: Chinese class PM: Paper cutting Evening: Peking opera
May 16	AM: Chinese class PM: Tai chi
May 17	AM: Cultural excursion: the Great Wall PM: Olympics: Bird's Nest, Water Cube
May 18	AM: Cultural excursion: The Forbidden City & Summer Palace
May 19	AM: Lecture: Cross Cultural Studies PM: Visit Beijing Hutong
May 20	AM: Lecture: China's Economy & Politics PM: Calligraphy
May 21	AM: Language: Chinese Class PM: Language Practice: XiuShui Market Evening: Chinese Acrobatics
May 22	AM: Chinese Modern Art: 798 Art district PM: Graduation ceremony
May 23	AM: Explore Beijing on your own PM: Explore Beijing on your own Evening: depart for Shanghai by train
May 24	AM: Arrive in Shanghai PM: China Pavilion at the World Expo Evening: Huangpu River cruise
May 25	AM: 1944 Art Complex PM: Yuyuan Garden
May 26	Zhu jia jiao and Dian shan hu
May 27	AM: Shanghai Museum PM: Nanjing Road and shopping
May 28	Depart from Shanghai for Atlanta



China

05/12/14—05/28/14
3 credit hours

Cross Cultural Communication in China

Sponsored by the GSU Confucius Institute and Hanban (Chinese Language Council International)



Language & Culture: Beijing & Shanghai

WHAT THIS PROGRAM IS ABOUT

Cross Cultural Communications in China takes you to the authentic environment where real Chinese is spoken and used: China. You will have a chance to

- learn everyday Chinese where it's actually spoken,
- explore and practice cross-cultural communication in the authentic context,
- learn kong fu, tai chi, calligraphy, and paper cutting, and
- go on exciting cultural excursions and visit such sites as the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, the Summer Palace, World Expo, etc.

You will spend two exciting weeks in two of the most exciting cities in China: Beijing and Shanghai

Major costs in China covered by the Confucius Institute

WHY THIS PROGRAM

Well, why not? What a great way to spend your summer! Besides, **we're paying most of the fees for you:** your lodging, your transportation, and your tuition in China, and even some of your meals! You pay for your international airfare, some of the meals, your GSU tuition and fees, and miscellaneous fees. Plus you get 3 full credits!

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China: Cross Cultural Communications in China

THE PROGRAM

Cross Cultural Communications in China offers an exciting 2-week study-abroad experience in two exciting cities in China: Beijing, the capital, and Shanghai, the financial center. This program aims at immersing students in an authentic cross-cultural communication context.

Cross Cultural Communications in China targets students interested in learning about the language, culture, rhetoric, etc. of China. It is designed to improve students' understanding of cross-cultural communication in general and of the Chinese culture in particular, and their ability to apply their knowledge in cross-cultural communication environments. The program consists of lectures on cross-cultural communication topics, lectures on Chinese culture, language instruction, as well as visits to historically significant cultural sites.

Students who participate in this program will spend the first part of their program in Beijing. For the second part of the program, they will move to Shanghai, the financial center of China, where they'll engage in more instruction in Chinese culture and art while also experiencing the unique cultural heritage of the area.

This program is a partnership among the GSU Confucius Institute, the Chinese Language Council International (HANBAN), and Beijing Language and Culture University.

Program Components

This program consists of the following main activities:

- Lectures on cross-cultural communication topics
- Chinese language instruction
- Lectures on Chinese culture & society
- Cultural explorations

The Cities

Beijing, the capital of China, boasts of a rich cultural heritage as well as a burgeoning global business environment. With a history of over 3,000 years, Beijing has some of the most well-known historic sites, such as the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, the Summer Palace, the Tian'anmen Square. You will have a chance to visit these world-famous cultural heritage sites as well as to explore Beijing's historic hutongs, the Bird Nest (site for the 2008 Olympic Games), the Water Cube, the National Grand Opera House, etc.

Shanghai, the commercial and financial center in China, is a city that combines traditional Chinese culture with Western cultural elements. Evolving initially from a seaside fishing town, today's Shanghai is a multi-cultural metropolis with both modern and traditional Chinese features. You'll explore part of the 2010 World Expo: the China Pavilion, the well-known Yuyuan Garden and the adjacent shopping center, and the historic town of Zhujiajiao. You'll also have a chance to explore some of the tallest skyscrapers in the world as well as cruise on the storied Huangpu River while marveling at the plethora of architectural wonders that line the river side.

The University

Beijing Language and Culture University (BLCU), founded in 1962, is the top-ranked university in China in teaching Chinese as a second/foreign language. The majority of its student population is international students.

Disability Accommodations

Students with documented disabilities who may need accommodations during their study abroad experience should discuss these needs with the Program Director and the Office of Disability Services at the time of application.

Costs

Program costs may vary at any time due to currency fluctuations and changing travel arrangements.

The Hanban Scholarship

The GSU Confucius Institute provides a scholarship that covers the following expenses in China:

- Lodging
- Some of the meals
- Tuition in China
- Admission tickets
- Transportation

Major costs covered by the Confucius Institute

All participants accepted into the program are automatically awarded this scholarship provided that they register for and study in one of the non-credit Chinese courses offered by the Confucius Institute. No separate application is needed.

Program Fee: \$2,200

You will pay the program fee of \$2,200, which covers the following:

- **Program administration fee**
- **Airfare** for Atlanta—Beijing, Shanghai—Atlanta (usually around \$2,000)
- **International travel insurance**

GSU Study Abroad Scholarships

Scholarships are also available from the GSU Study Abroad office. Please apply with the Study Abroad Office directly.

Other Costs

You'll be responsible for

- **Visa application fee** (to be paid directly to the visa agency)
- **Passport application fee** (if applicable)
- **All regular GSU tuition and fees**

Eligibility

This program is offered to all fulltime students at all levels, undergraduate or graduate. Students should be in good academic standing, with a minimum GPA of 2.5. Basic Chinese language proficiency is preferred but not required. Non-GSU students are also eligible as long as they fulfill relevant requirements by GSU for transit students.

Course Credit

Students wishing to receive academic credit for this program should register for **ENGL 4200, Study Abroad in China (undergraduate)** and **ENGL 8900 Study Abroad in China (graduate)** for Maymester 2014. All participants will attend mandatory orientations at the GSU Confucius Institute. Course credit will be three hours. Non-GSU students should follow their institution's guidelines concerning transfer credits.

Passport and Visa Information

Participants are responsible for obtaining their own passports. U.S. citizens are required to hold a valid U.S. passport with an expiration date six months beyond the date of return. You should apply for a passport immediately if you don't already have one.

A visa is required for entry into China. We will use a visa agency here in Atlanta and apply for visas as a group via their service.

Physical Exam

All participants must submit a Physician's Certificate certifying that they are in good health for international travel and study. Please make reservation for your physical as soon as possible. Your Physician's Certificate is due April 1, 2011.

Transient Students

Transient students must pay:

- **\$60 application fee** in addition to all the regular costs (non-refundable)
- Those wishing to receive credit must formally apply for GSU admissions and pay the GSU tuition and fees.
- Please see Transient Student page at www.mystudyabroad.gsu.edu.

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