China: Cross Cultural Communications in China

3 HOURS CREDIT

May 7-22

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Highlights of the program are provided below. The university reserves the right to alter travel and other arrangements if required by circumstances.

May 7  Depart Atlanta for Beijing
May 8  Arrive in Beijing
May 9  Beijing Language and Cultural University placement; campus tour; welcome banquet
May 10 Cultural excursion (The Great Wall); Olympic’s Bird’s Nest, Water Cube
May 11 Chinese class, paper cutting, Peking opera
May 12 Chinese class; tai chi
May 13 Cultural excursion: The Forbidden City and the Summer Palace
May 14 Lecture: Cross cultural studies; visit Beijing Hutong
May 15 Lecture: China’s economy and politics; calligraphy; Chinese acrobatics
May 16 Language practice: XiuShui Market
May 17 Chinese Modern Art, 798 Art District; graduation ceremony

May 18  Arrive in Shanghai in the morning; China Pavilion at the World Expo; Huangpu River cruise
May 19  1944 Art Complex; Yuyuan Garden
May 20  Zhujiajiao and Dianshan Hu
May 21  Shanghai Museum; Nanjing Road and shopping
May 22  Depart from Shanghai to Atlanta

APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 9, 2015

Because program size is limited, early application is strongly advised. Individual interviews may be scheduled with students upon receipt of application.

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Beijing & Shanghai, China: Cross Cultural Communications in China

THE PROGRAM
Cross Cultural Communications in China immerses you in an environment where real Chinese is spoken and used: China! You will spend two weeks in two of the most exciting cities of China: Beijing and Shanghai. You will have the chance to:
- be culturally immersed and learn everyday Chinese
- explore & practice cross-cultural communication in an authentic context
- learn Kung Fu, Tai Chi, calligraphy and paper cutting
- go on exciting cultural excursions and visit historical sites including the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, etc., the capital of China, boasts 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 historical sites, such as the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, the Summer Palace, and Tian'anmen Square. You will have a chance to visit these world-famous heritage sites as well as explore Beijing’s hutongs, the Bird Nest (site of the 2008 Olympic games), the Water Cube, and 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 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 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 Huangou River while marveling at the plethora of architectural wonders that line the riverside.

ACCOMMODATIONS
In Beijing, students will stay in a dorm on the campus of Beijing Language and Culture University that’s specifically reserved for international students. All rooms will be double occupancy. In Shanghai, students will stay in comfortable double-occupancy hotel rooms.

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.

ELIGIBILITY
The program is open to both undergraduate and graduate students who meet all academic requirements of Georgia State University. Students of all majors are welcome. Because this program is supported by a special grant that covers most of the major expenses in China, all students accepted into the program will automatically receive this scholarship.

Price Includes
- Round-trip airfare
- Accommodations
- Some meals
- Tuition in China
- Admission tickets and local transportation
- Health/Evacuation/Repatration insurance

Price Does NOT Include
- Georgia State University tuition and fees
- Passport and visa fees
- Personal expenses and excess baggage charges

COST
Program cost may vary at any time according to currency fluctuations and changing travel arrangements. The program cost is tentatively set at $2,500 PLUS regular Georgia State tuition and fees. Non-resident/out-of-state students will pay in-state tuition plus a $250 fee in addition to the program cost. The GSU Confucius Institute provides a scholarship that covers most of the major expenses in China. All students accepted into the program will automatically receive this scholarship.

Payment Schedule
- February 20, 2015: $1,000 deposit & first payment
- March 1, 2015: remaining balance

Program Deposit Payments: Participants will pay program deposits by logging into PAWS. Please contact your Program Director to confirm that a Program Deposit Account has been established for this purpose before you attempt to make a payment in PAWS.

FUNDING AND SCHOLARSHIPS
Georgia State students are eligible to apply for the IEF Study Abroad Scholarship/Georgia State University Foundation Scholarship and may be eligible to apply for the Global Experience Scholarship. Visit mystudyabroad.gsu.edu or contact the Office of International Initiatives, Study Abroad Programs at 404-413-2529 for more information.

APPLICATION INFORMATION
Students interested in applying should find this program’s listing at mystudyabroad.gsu.edu and begin an online application.

Transient Students: Please see Transient Student section under the Explore & Apply tab at mystudyabroad.gsu.edu

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

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