

Please fill out this form and attach it to your program proposal.

The following information will be published in the Courses section of the Summer Sessions website :			
Course Title:	Inside Chinese-Economy, Culture and Society		
Course Number:	ASIA 1680	Course Credit:	3
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Program location(s): (City, Country)	Beijing and Shanghai, China		
Program start date:	May 5 th , 2019	Program end date:	May 29 th , 2019
Does your course fulfill any AXLE credit? If so, what?	Yes, International credits		
What are the pre-requisites (if any) for enrolling in your course?	None		
What is covered in the student budget? (nights of housing, number of meals, travel, necessary supplies, textbooks, visa, admission to museums, etc.)	All field trips, cultural visits, and classes/seminars, guest lectures, classes, performances, local transportation, high-speed rail from Beijing to Shanghai, maglev train ride, river cruise, housing/hotel for over 3 weeks in Beijing and Shanghai, HTH International Health Insurance, and most meals (Students will also have a meal plan).		
What is <u>not</u> covered in the student budget? (international airfare, supplies, visa costs, meals, etc)	Airfare (international & national), incidentals, visa cost, some meals, and personal travel.		
Is a visa needed for US passport holders?	Yes		
Please provide the course description below (500 words maximum):			
<p>This course is designed to provide students with immediate, first-hand knowledge of China economically, culturally, socially and politically. Students will experience total social-cultural immersion through formal classroom instruction, numerous excursions and field trips to famous ancient monuments and modern wonders, international and domestic businesses, institutions, museums, private homes, and interaction with local people from different walks of life in both Beijing and Shanghai. By the end of the program students will have developed a relatively in-depth understanding of China.</p> <p><u>Beijing</u></p> <p>The curriculum in Beijing consists of the following three components:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <i>Seminar & issue discussion</i> Students will attend seminars (in English) given by top-notch distinguished guest speakers from such reputable institutions as UC-Berkeley, Peking University, and MUFU Bank, on diverse topics including China's banking system and AI application, China's Belt & Road Initiatives, China's role in climate change, US-China relations and trade war, traditional Chinese thoughts, etc. 2) <i>Field trips & interviews</i> Field trips will be arranged for students to visit a range of well-known historical and cultural riches, such as the Great Wall, Temple of Heaven, Summer Palace, Tibetan Lama Temple, Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square, China's National Museum, Mao's Memorial Hall, and many other places of ancient and contemporary significance. Students will have opportunities to visit a traditional Chinese treatment center (experiencing hot-cupping and other traditional remedies), a community center, and a rural village. In addition, students will gain "up close and personal" insights into Chinese life by visiting private homes, and interviewing business owners, college students, professionals, migrant workers, and senior citizens. 			

3) *Chinese language/culture classes*

The program provides an array of Chinese language and culture classes, from survival Chinese (such as counting, shopping and ordering foods), to Chinese cooking, art, and Kung fu.

Shanghai

For the last week, the program will travel to Shanghai by high speed rail to see China's financial and commercial capital and one of the most phenomenal cities in the world. Activities in Shanghai include attending seminars on subjects such as living and working in Shanghai, and China's global economic development. Field trips will include visits to the Bund (the well-known riverfront in Shanghai), Pudong (China's financial and commercial hub), the City God Market (a famous bazaar), and a surrounding city. Students will also visit joint ventures such as Shanghai General Motors and Honeywell-China, and a Chinese water treatment company. A maglev train ride, a night cruise to view Shanghai's skyline, and a panoramic view of the city from the top of Shanghai Tower (the 2nd-tallest skyscraper in the world) will allow students to experience the cutting-edge technology and modern wonders created in China in the past four decades.

Please include the following in your Maymester program proposal for internal review:

- Course syllabus
- Program itinerary (itineraries should be finalized by April 15)
- Safety plan
- Detailed budget that includes estimated total cost and clearly describes what's included in the fee AND what is not/what students should expect to cover out-of-pocket
- Maximum enrollment