

2010 USG Summer Study in China-General Studies Program Travel Itinerary (05/10/10-06/08/10)
(Tentative as of 09/27/09)

NOTE: B = Breakfast; L = Lunch; D = Dinner; also, the visiting sites and hotels on our itinerary will come up on a Google search – have fun searching!

Mon. May 10: Leave Atlanta

Beijing:

Tues. May 11: Arrive Beijing, a tour guide will meet the group at the Beijing International Airport, transfer to the Hotel. (D)

Web. May 12: **Great Wall.** After tour, drop the group at Wangfujing/Qianmen shopping district, take taxi back to hotel on your own, bus will return to the hotel, you can explore the city on your own, or participate in a class field trip. (BL)

Thurs. May 13: **Tiananmen Square and Forbidden City.** Take a *hutong* tour in the afternoon (include a ride with Rickshaws and residences of a hutong family. After the tour, drop group at *Shichahai* lakeside entertainment district, bus will return to the hotel. (BLD)

Fri. May 14: **Summer Palace**
Overnight train to Xi'an. Dinner on the train on your own, transfer to the Hotel. (BL)

Xi'an:

Sat. May 15: Arrive Xi'an in the morning, city tours including Big Wild Goose Pagoda, City Wall (bicycle ride on your own) in the afternoon. (L)

Sun. May 16: **Terra-Cotta Warriors' Museum.** Visit a terra-cotta reproduction factory and Huaqing Hot Springs during the trip. Tang Dynasty Dinner Show in the evening. (BLD)

Mon. May 17: Free morning, visit Provincial Museum, Grand Mosque and adjacent Ancient Culture Street with a faculty member; take high speed train to Zhengzhou, arrive Zhengzhou in the evening, take the group to foreign students residence hall at the Zhengzhou University (ZU) new campus. Distribute on-campus meal cards. (BD)

Zhengzhou:

Tu. May 18: on-campus orientation meeting in the morning, meet your ZU buddies in the afternoon, take a campus tour with ZU students, have a meal on campus or visit downtown Zhengzhou or nearby restaurants.

Wed. May 19: Class day

Thur. May 20: Class day, afternoon cultural enrichment class 1

Fri. May 21: Class day, afternoon cultural enrichment class 2, party in the evening

Sat. May 22: **Shaolin Temple and Pagoda Forest.** visit Yuan Dynasty Astronomy Observatory, Watch *kongfu* performance inside the temple. (L)

Sun. May 23: Free morning, **host family visit** in the afternoon, to be arranged by ZU

- Mon. May 24: Class day, afternoon cultural enrichment class 3
- Tu. May 25: Class day, afternoon cultural enrichment class 4
- Wed. May 26: **Yuntai Mountain Geological Park** (on UNESCO World Geological Park list) (L)
- Thur. May 27: Class day, afternoon field trip
- Fri. May 28: Class day, afternoon cultural enrichment class 5
- Sat. May 29: **Luoyang**--Longmen Grotto, White Horse Temple, and Lord Guanyu's Tomb, and a Tang tri-color pottery factory. (L)
- Sun. May 30: Free day
- Mon. May 31: Class day
- Tue. June 1: Visit a school in the morning to help celebrate International Children's Day, to be arranged by ZU.
- Wed. June 2: Class day
- Thur. June 3: Class day
- Fri. June 4: Free morning. Take a high-speed train in the afternoon to Shanghai, dinner on the train on your own, check in the foreign residence hall at the Shanghai International Studies University (SISU) in the evening, orientation on campus facilities and local transportations

Shanghai:

- Sat. June 5: Attend a class lectured by faculty of SISU in the morning; after the class, students can take self-guided tours at the Shanghai Museum, Nanking Road shopping street, *Chenghuang* Temple shopping district, Oriental Pearl Tower, etc. At night, the program will sponsor an entertainment for an acrobatic show.
- Sun. June 6: Visit the World Expo and surroundings
- Mon. June 7: Free day, all academic requirements completed, boat ride on *Huangpu* River, tickets covered by the program.
- Tu. June 8: Take Maglev train to Pudong International Airport for flight back home