Instructors: Professor Paul Kittelson and Aaron Zhang (Affiliate Artist)

Travel Dates: June 1- June 21, 2019

Art China offers three hours of studio arts credit for both undergraduate and graduate students. This immersive learning experience will expose UH students to the cultural atmosphere and lifestyle that informs the work of contemporary Chinese artists. By engaging with local artists, experiencing the urban environment and touring important cultural institutions, students will gain an understanding of what it is like to be an artist living in China.

Itinerary: The trip will consist of visits to three cities: Beijing (5 days), Tianjin (8 days) and Jingdezhen (6 days).

In Beijing we will tour the iconic Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square and Beihai Park. We will spend time in the Central Academy of Fine Art and 798 Art Zone and take a day trip to the Great Wall.

In Tianjin we will stay at the Tianjin Academy of Fine Art. During the stay, our students and professors will participate in various programs including seminars, lectures and demonstrations. Collaborative projects with Chinese students will result in a group exhibition. Tianjin Academy of Fine Art will also arrange for the student to visit Tianjin city where we will tour local museums, visit artists’ studios and learn more about the local history and culture.

A seven hour train ride from Tianjin will take us to Jingdezhen, a city know for its long tradition of porcelain ceramics and culture. We will visit local artists studios, artist residency programs, as well as galleries and museums. We will tour ancient kilns and production facilities, experience the local markets and visit related ceramic trade industries.

Estimated Cost: $2,400. (includes all travel, lodging). Does not include appropriate University tuition and fees.

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