The China Study Abroad Program is a 2-week educational and cultural study program designed to provide an opportunity to learn about the Chinese culture, history, education, politics, philosophy, economics, and government through lectures, workshops, cultural events, and social activities in Beijing, Xian, and Shanghai China. Registered UH students are eligible for 3-6 hours of UH credit from this study.

LECTURES AT CHINESE UNIVERSITIES, SCHOOLS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS

The group will take lectures and engage in academic activities from the following schools and institutions: The Central Nationalities in Beijing, Beijing Normal University, Confucius Institute, Northwest University, Xi’an Bodi School, China East Normal University as well as other Institutions.

COST

The program cost is TBD plus roundtrip airfare between Houston and Beijing (at a group discount rate). This fee includes hotels in Beijing, Xian and Shanghai, study materials, transportation (train and airplane) within China, and admission fees to tourist sites and music/art performances. A non-refundable application fee of $50 is due before the Center will accept an application.

Registered UH students are eligible to apply for an International Education Fund Scholarship at the Office of International Studies and Programs.

WEEKEND TOURIST TRAVEL

Aside from the educational and academic value of this program, we offer our students with opportunities to visit national and historical treasures in China, including the following sites:

- The Great Wall
- Ming Tombs
- The Temples of Heaven
- Forbidden City
- Summer Palace
- Waterfront Band
- Oriental Pearl Tower
- Shanghai Yu Gardens
- Terra Cotta Warriors
- Grand Mosque
- Wild Goose Pagoda
- Ancient City Wall

WHO CAN APPLY FOR THIS PROGRAM?

All UH students, faculty, and staff, as well as interested community members are welcome to join the program.

HOW TO APPLY FOR THE CHINA ABROAD STUDIES PROGRAM

Interested participants must submit an application to the Asian American Studies Center. The following requirements must be met before travel:

- Submission of a completed application form and $50 Non-Refundable Application Fee
- Submission of a valid passport and a $140 visa application fee for entry to China
- Submission of the program cost before May 2, 2011
- Hepatitis A & B vaccines are recommended before travel
- Submission of all applicable fees required before leaving for China.

CONTACT INFORMATION

THE ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES CENTER
450 FARISH HALL
HOUSTON, TX 77204-5874
Tel: (713) 743-9863 or Tel: (713) 743-4982
Fax: (713) 743-9836
www.uh.edu/aasc
Complete and return to the Asian American Studies Center, University of Houston, 450 Farish Hall, Houston, TX 77204
$50 non-refundable application fee payable to UH AASC
Deadline: May 16, 2011

PLEASE PROVIDE NAME AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR PASSPORT/BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR GREEN CARD:

Last Name: ____________________________  First Name: ____________________________

Date of Birth: ____________________________  Gender: Male _____ Female ______

Mailing Address: _____________________________________________________________

City: _________________ State: ______  Zip: ______  HM Phone: ______________

WK Phone: _______________ Cell Phone: _______________ E-Mail: ______________

Permanent Address: ___________________________________________________________

City: _______________ State: ______  Zip: ______  Phone: ______________

Emergency Contact: Name: ____________________________  Phone: __________________

Race or Ethnic Origin (optional): _______________________________________________

Country of Citizenship: ________________________________________________________

Texas Residency Status:  Resident _________  Non-Resident _____________

UH Student Status:  _____ Undergraduate   _____ Graduate

Research Interest:
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Language Proficiency (list languages and level of fluency):

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Please list any prior study or travel abroad experience:

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Please briefly state why you would like to study abroad and what you hope to gain from this experience:

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The Asian American Studies Center’s 2011 China Abroad Study Program is a University of Houston-sponsored educational program designed to provide University of Houston’s faculty, students, and staff, as well as Houston community members with opportunities to explore and study Chinese culture, history, philosophy, language, education, and economic development in China.

I, ________________________________, understand that as a representative of the University of Houston in China, I am to abide by the rules and regulations as stated in the China Study Abroad Handbook and follow all university guidelines and procedures as outlined by the University of Houston Systems Administration. I also understand that any form of behavior deemed inappropriate during this visit is subject to disciplinary action by the University of Houston upon our return to the United States. In any and all cases of misconduct or non-compliance of program requirements while in China, the student may be subject to disciplinary actions which include, but may not be limited to, early expulsion from the study abroad program, non-eligibility for course credit from the University of Houston, and ineligibility from participation in future study abroad programs sponsored by the Asian American Studies Center.

I, ________________________________, understand that neither the University of Houston nor the Asian American Studies Center will be held liable for any accidents or cases of physical negligence for the duration of our travel to, from, and throughout China June 22, 2011 – July 7, 2011.

_______________________________________ ________________________
Participant’s Signature     Date

_______________________________________ ________________________
Asian American Studies Center Representative Date