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Summer Program at University of Alberta Proposal for Beijing Institute of Technology

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Downtown Edmonton



University of Alberta North Campus

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

University of Alberta International (UAI) is pleased to present the following proposal for a 2-week customized summer program in order to provide a unique global opportunity for students to explore our vibrant campus and province and to explore concepts related to global citizenship. This program is designed to meet the requirements of the Global Learning & Cultural Exchange course for undergraduate students at Beijing Institute of Technology (BIT).

The integrated intensive program will include 30 hours of academic lectures and field trips, 11 hours of review and project time, and a cross-cultural seminar consisting of 4 hours. Also included in the program are cultural-immersion activities and an optional recreational weekend trip to the Rocky Mountains.

Please review the following components of the proposed program:

1. Academic Component

The curriculum for this program will be customized to meet the content requirements of BIT's Global Learning & Cultural Exchange course, integrating classroom lectures and field trips related to lecture topics.

2. Project Component

The program will allow students to apply their learning by working on a presentation which will be delivered by the end of the two weeks.



Arts and Convocation Hall



Students on campus

3. Cross-cultural Seminar Component

An understanding of cross-cultural nuances is an essential part of becoming a global citizen. UAI's cross-cultural training seminars aim to help students broaden their understanding of Canadian culture and help them perform successfully both socially and academically in international settings.

4. Cultural and Recreational Component

While in Edmonton, students will also have the opportunity to explore Edmonton and interact with Canadian culture through planned social and recreational activities.

In addition to activities in Edmonton, an optional excursion to Banff National Park can also be organized at an additional cost. This trip would include a 2-night stay in a hostel in Banff, transportation, and various activities such as canoeing and hiking. Details about the cost of this extra excursion can be found in the budget section of this proposal.



Banff National Park



Art Gallery of Alberta



West Edmonton – Indoor water park

PROGRAM DETAILS

Please note that the proposed program may be modified to best meet the academic requirements and time availability of BIT students.

- Program duration: 2 weeks
- Date: July 3-14, 2017
- Total number of in-class hours: 45 hours

The proposed 2-week programme would take place from July 3-14, 2017. Participants would arrive on July 2 and depart on July 15.

A rough schedule is provided below. Please note that this is only a draft program and that changes are expected depending on the availability of certain lecturers and venues.

Week 1

	Sunday July 2	Monday July 3	Tuesday July 4	Wednesday July 5	Thursday July 6	Friday July 7	Saturday July 8
9:00	Participants Arrive	Welcome Breakfast	Lecture (2 hrs)	Lecture (2 hrs)	Lecture (2 hrs)	Lecture (2 hrs)	Optional Banff Trip / Free Time
9:30							
10:00		Orientation + Campus Tour	Time for Review (1 hr)	Time for Review (1 hr)	Time for Review (1 hr)	Time for Review (1 hr)	
10:30							
11:00							
11:30		Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	
12:00							
12:30		Lecture (2 hrs)	Field Trip (3 hrs)	Cross- cultural Seminar (1 hr)	Field Trip (3 hrs)	Cross- cultural Seminar (1 hr)	
1:00							
1:30		Cultural / Recreational Activity	Cultural / Recreational Activity	Cultural / Recreational Activity	Field Trip (3 hrs)	Depart for Optional Banff Trip / Free Time	
2:00							
2:30							
3:00							
3:30		Cultural / Recreational Activity	Cultural / Recreational Activity	Cultural / Recreational Activity	Field Trip (3 hrs)	Depart for Optional Banff Trip / Free Time	
4:00							

Week 2

	Sunday July 9	Monday July 10	Tuesday July 11	Wednesday July 12	Thursday July 13	Friday July 14	Saturday July 15
9:00	Optional Banff Trip / Free Time	Lecture (2 hrs)	Lecture (2 hrs)	Lecture (2 hrs)	Lecture (2 hrs)	Final Presentations (3 hrs)	Participants Depart
9:30							
10:00							
10:30		Time for Review (1 hr)	Time for Review (1 hr)	Time for Review (1 hr)	Time for Review (1 hr)		
11:00							
11:30		Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Certificate Ceremony / Goodbye Lunch	
12:00							
12:30		Field Trip (3 hrs)	Cross- cultural Seminar (1 hr)	Field Trip (3 hrs)	Cross- cultural Seminar (1 hr)	Free Time	
1:00							
1:30			Cultural / Recreational Activity		Cultural / Recreational Activity		
2:00							
2:30							
3:00							
3:30	Free Time						
4:00							

Examples of academic topics that may be covered include:

- Sino-Canadian history
- Introduction to topics in Canadian policy and politics
- Introduction to Canadian socio-cultural topics
- Introduction to key research topics being conducted at UAlberta

Optional Canadian Rockies Trip | July 8-9, 2017

Participants may choose to join on a two-day Canadian Rockies trip at an additional cost. The trip offers the opportunity to experience Canada in our country's oldest national park. Enjoy and explore the breathtaking scenery and beauty of the Canadian Rocky Mountains.

Transportation, accommodation, and daily breakfast are included in the trip. This trip also includes activities such as hiking, canoeing, and visiting the natural hot springs.

Accommodation

Participants will stay at Lister Residence Hall. Accommodation is provided in traditional dorm rooms, with two participants per room. Linen and towel services are provided. Each floor includes a lounge with a telephone and cable television, a kitchen and laundry facilities (fees apply). Wireless internet will also be available in all rooms.

CUSTOMIZED SUPPORT SERVICES FOR BIT STUDENTS

The University of Alberta International prides itself on the extensive suite of customized support services that are offered to ensure that participants' needs met before, during and after their program.

A comprehensive welcome and orientation program

A session to welcome students to the University of Alberta will be offered. This will include: welcome reception, a campus tour, setting program expectations with participants and introduction to academic and administrative staff.

Airport transfer

Students will be met at the airport and transported to their residence. At the end of the program, they will be picked up and transferred to the airport for their safe departure and return home.

Program completion ceremony and certificate granting

At the end of the program, a formal completion ceremony and reception will be offered to all participants. Those who meet all program requirements will receive a Certificate of Participation.

Assistance with preparation of documentation required prior to departure

Letters of acceptance will be issued to all participants for use when applying for documentation to come to Canada. The University of Alberta International employs two fully certified immigration advisors who will be available for consultation support whenever needed.

PROGRAM FEES & REGISTRATION

*All fees are based on 2017 costs and are subject to change for future programs.

The basic program fee is \$2,500 CAD per student and includes:

- 14-day on-campus program which includes:
 - Lectures on topics in Sino-Canadian studies
 - Academic fields trips and site visits
- Transportation to and from the Edmonton International Airport
- Shared accommodation on campus (occupancy will be 2 participants per room)
- A pre-paid meal card with a \$200 CAD credit which can be used at a variety of on-campus vendors (food, books and other goods)
- Welcome and Farewell Luncheon
- Cultural and recreational activities within the Edmonton area
- A student coordinator staff member in addition to regular full time administrative staff support
- OPTIONAL: Two-day trip to the Canadian Rockies, including accommodation, transportation, daily breakfast, and activities (additional \$350 per student)

Chaperone Hospitality Package

Included in the program fee is a hospitality package for one staff member from BIT. This package includes:

- Airport pickup and drop off
- Participation in all workshops and activities
- Single accommodation
- Pre-paid meal card (\$200 CAD value)

Registration and Fee Payment

The University of Alberta can invoice BIT for the total amount of the fee. If it is preferable for each participant to pay individually, an online registration and credit card payment process is available. An additional \$50 CAD registration fee will be added to each program fee for the online option.

Eligibility

The program would be open to cohorts of students or individuals aged 18 years or older currently registered in a degree program at BIT. It is recommended, but not mandatory, that participants have a minimum TOEFL iBT score of 70 or IELTS score of 535.

All participants are required to sign a Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement in order to participate in the program. More information about this agreement is available upon request.

OTHER INFORMATION

Health Insurance

Health insurance is not included in the program fee. The purchase of travelers' health insurance prior to departure to Canada that is valid for the entire duration of travel is the responsibility of each participant and is strongly recommended.

Immigration Information

Participants holding a Chinese passport will need to apply for a visitor visa to enter Canada, which takes approximately 2 weeks and is completed online.

Applicants who do not hold a Chinese passport are advised to visit the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada website to confirm what immigration documents will be required for entry to Canada and to understand the estimated application processing times.

PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCE

In order to proceed with accommodation bookings and other arrangements, we kindly ask that BIT respond to this proposal by no later than December 23, 2016.

Minimum Enrollment, Cancellations and Refunds

The minimum enrollment for the program is 15 participants.

Enrollment must be confirmed by no later than April 28, 2017. After this date, if the minimum enrollment is not met, the program will be cancelled and program fees will be refunded, less any applicable administrative fees.