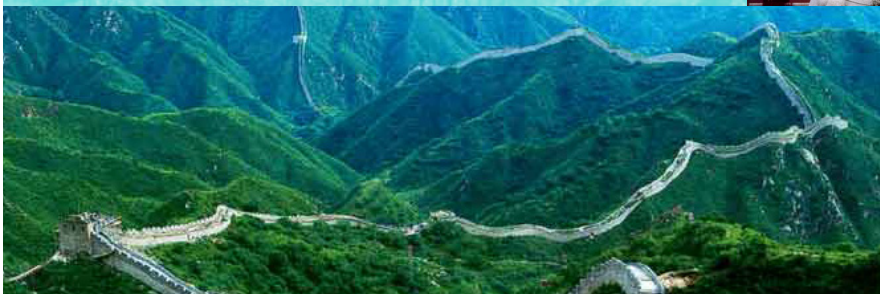


At this time, information and prices are subject to change.

CHINA



Business Studies

Join ACC faculty member Reed Peoples on a study abroad program to China. Gain insight into the economy, government and culture of China by traveling to Beijing, Xian and Shanghai.

course information

Earn credit for BUSG 1191 1 over Spring Break! Students will travel to China on a structured tour, which will include periodic classes, lectures, museum tours, and various cultural visits. Students will be responsible for keeping a journal and writing a reflection paper at the end of the study abroad class. There will be 4 classes prior to traveling to China, to include lectures on Chinese culture, government, history and language with a special emphasis in all four classes on the economy of Modern China and its relationship to the US economy.

Apply by November 20, 2009. Students will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

program fee

\$3000 INCLUDES

Roundtrip flight
Meals
4-star Accommodations
Buses
Entrance Fees
Tour Guides
Lecture Fees
Soft-sleeping train from Beijing to Xian
Economy class flight from Xian to Shanghai

DOES NOT INCLUDE

Personal expenses
ACC Tuition/Fees
Books/Materials

itinerary

March 11: Depart Austin to Beijing.

March 12: Arrive in Beijing in the late afternoon

March 13: Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City, Hutong Local Residential Tour, Temple Heaven, Peking Duck Restaurant, Peking Opera

March 14: Excursion to the Great Wall, Summer Palace, Acrobatics Show in the evening

March 15: Chinese origin of language & culture, meeting with Chinese students, Silk Market visit

March 16: Morning lecture on Chinese Culture— Afternoon lecture on Social Change in China. Overnight train to Xian— Sleeping on Train.

March 17: Excursion to Terra-Cotta Warriors Museum, Old City Wall and Bell Tower. Tea-room, Chinese Dumpling Banquet with Cultural Show.

March 18: Morning Lecture on Chinese History. Afternoon at the Shaanxi Provincial History Museum.

March 18: Fly to Shanghai in the morning. Lecture on Chinese economy. Visit Pudong New Economic Development Area.

March 20: City Tour in Shanghai: Old Town and U garden, Shanghai Museum, Nanjing Road, Shanghai Bund and Boat Cruise on the Yangtze River in the evening.

March 21: Excursion to Suzhou, an Ancient Garden City nearby Shanghai. Visit Liu Yuan Garden, Old town, Boat Cruise on the Grand Canal.

March 22: Depart Shanghai, return to Austin.

information and applications

Program Applications

Applications are available at www.austincc.edu/intstudy. Submit applications to the International Programs Office.

ACC International Programs Office - Giancarlo Taylor, Business Studies in China Program Coordinator gtaylor2@austincc.edu
5930 Middle Fiskville Road, Room 513.0 Austin Texas 78752 - 512.223.7114 (p) - 512.223.7680 (f) - www.austincc.edu/intstudy

CHINA



meals

Full course meals will be served family-style. All food will be Chinese, and participants will eat together as a group in restaurants. Students must learn to use chop-sticks and be adventurous to try new foods. Students will be expected to be present during meal times as a courtesy to our Chinese hosts, although students are not required to “clean their plates”.



Dr. Reed Peoples

Dr. Reed Peoples is a Business and Accounting instructor at ACC. Dr. Peoples has led two previous groups from ACC to China, one in 2007, 2008, and 2009. Dr. Peoples believes that these programs are an excellent way for students to get a grasp on the growing influence China has on the United States and our economy, government, culture and business practices.

Study Abroad Instructor

accommodations

Stay in 4-star hotels throughout the tour! Participants will share a room with another ACC student.



**Jiang Xi Grand Hotel
Beijing**



**Bell Tower Hotel
Xian**



**Radisson Lansheng Hotel
Shanghai**

highlights



funding

ACC Board of Trustees Study Abroad Scholarships

ACC Board of Trustees will award \$50,000 in Study Abroad Scholarships to participants for the Spring/Summer of 2010. Scholarships are \$1,000 and can be used towards any program-related expense. Visit www.austincc.edu/intstudy for more information and an application. Deadline 11/20/2009.

Campus Activity Board Funding

CAB Funding

CAB provides funding for travel opportunities that enhance the cultural and intellectual lives of students. Visit www.austincc.edu/intstudy for info and an application. After submitting an application, students will be scheduled for a 2-3 minute presentation. Awards are \$200, and are available on a first-come, first-serve basis.



What's Included in the Program

What does the Program Fee include?

- The \$2950 includes:
- Roundtrip group flight from Austin to China
- Breakfasts, Lunches, Dinners
- Double Occupancy Rooms in 4-star hotels
- Buses
- Entrance Fees
- Tour Guides
- Lecture Fees
- Soft-sleeping train from Beijing to Xian
- Economy class flight from Xian to Shanghai.

What's Not Included

- ACC tuition
- Any books, materials needed for the Business course.
- Any personal expenses

What will I pay for tuition and fees?

In-district students will pay approximately \$54. Out-of-district students will pay approximately \$142.

Group Travel

How does group travel work?

ACC will work with an airline to reserve seats for program participants on a single flight.

Can I request to be seated with my friend on the group flight?

Seats are assigned by the airline upon check-in.

Can I earn frequent flier miles?

This depends on the policy of the airline.

Are the tickets refundable?

No. All airline tickets purchased for this program are purchased in bulk and are non-refundable, non-transferable tickets.

What airline does ACC use?

ACC's priority is booking both a low fare and convenient flight schedule. In the past, we've generally booked flights with American, Continental, Delta, and United. However, we are not limited to these airlines.

Will we have direct flights?

We try to obtain the most direct route to Beijing from Austin. Generally flights from Austin connect in San Francisco, Los Angeles or Seattle before making the trans-Pacific flight. The flight to Beijing is 14 hours long.

Accommodations

Hotel rooms will be double occupancy in four star hotels. Room-mates will be assigned by Dr. Peoples based on gender and interests.

Can I request a specific roommate?

Yes, please submit roommate requests to the International Programs Office with your application or as soon as possible thereafter.

Can I share a room with someone of the opposite sex?

No. If you are traveling with your spouse, then we will make an exception to this rule.

Passports and visas

Am I responsible for obtaining my passport?

Yes, students are responsible for obtaining their own passports. Students should submit a copy of their passport or a copy of the completed passport application with the program application.

How can I get a passport?

You must fill out a passport application and bring it along with a certified birth certificate, two passport photos, and fee to a passport acceptance facility. Passport acceptance facilities include most U.S. Post Offices and also the International Office: Passport & ID Services at UT-Austin. Visit www.travel.state.gov for a passport application. Typical passport processing times are 3-6 weeks.

Do I need a visa for China?

Yes, U.S. citizens will need a visa to enter China. Please contact the International Programs Office for more information.

Insurance

Do I need to obtain insurance to go abroad?

Participants must have some type of international coverage. There are three basic options: 1) purchase a \$22 International Student ID Card (ISIC), which provides basic medical coverage while abroad. 2) check with their current insurance provider for information on out-of-area/overseas coverage 3) visit www.hthstudents.com to sign up for temporary international coverage. Proof of insurance is required with the program application.

Course

How many credits can I earn?

1 ACC Business credit

Who is teaching the course?

ACC faculty member Reed Peoples will be leading the course

Cell Phones

Internet and calling cards are the most economical options for communication with friends and family back home. There will also be options for calling USA from China at all the hotels.

Will my cell phone work in China?

Check with your service provider. International rates and roaming charges may apply. Generally cell phones from USA will not work unless you have a phone specifically programmed to do so. Cell phones can be purchased in China, although we recommend you use the hotel phones with phone card as that is the least expensive way to phone home.

Payment

Contact Giancarlo at gtaylor2@austincc.edu for payment information.

When do I register for the course itself?

The International Programs Office will register students for the course during regular registration times. Tuition/fees are due by Friday of the week in which the student is registered.

Refund Policy

\$500 program deposit is non-refundable, unless a student is not accepted into the program.

Pre-Departure

If a student withdraws prior to departure, the student is responsible for all costs that are non-recoverable. Non-recoverable costs may include non-refundable airline tickets, deposits, costs paid to the host institution, housing costs, and other costs that occur as a result of the student's withdrawal.

Any costs recovered will be returned to the student, less any amount to be applied if he/she has an outstanding balance with ACC. All refund checks are mailed 2-6 weeks after the

request has been processed.

Post-Departure

If a student withdraws from or is released from the program while abroad, all costs are non-refundable.

ACC Board of Trustees Study Abroad Scholarship

Scholarship is for the amount of \$1,000.

Withdrawal or Involuntary Drops

If a student withdraws from or is released from the program at any time, the student must return the full amount of the scholarship to ACC. If the student fails to do so, disciplinary action will follow.

Program and Scholarship Applications

Applications can be downloaded at www.austincc.edu/intstudy or picked up at the International Programs Office at HBC #513, 5930 Middle Fiskville Road.

The Business Studies in China Program Coordinator is Giancarlo Taylor. Please contact him with any questions at: 512.223.7689 or gtaylor2@austincc.edu

Applicants for this program must sign the indicated space on their application acknowledging that they have read and understood the information in this packet.