

**THE PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

**AND**

**THE CHINA – UNITED STATES EXCHANGE FOUNDATION**

**DUE February 20, 2017**

**Deliver Complete Application to Dr. Siri Brown, D 217, Merritt College**

**2-Week Study in China Scholarship**

The Peralta Community College District has partnered with the China–United States Exchange Foundation (CUSEF) and Wanxiang Group Corporation (WXGC) to invite Peralta Community College District students to study in China for two weeks. Under our program, students will visit three cities in China: ***Beijing, Hangzhou and Shanghai***, and attend classes in local university campuses. During their stay, they will receive lectures on Chinese history, language, culture and economic development presented by credentialed Chinese scholars. The student groups will have additional opportunities to participate in cultural activities, and tour historical sites such as the Forbidden City and the Great Wall.

Expenses including accommodation, in-country transportation, meals and sightseeing tickets, will be covered by CUSEF and partners in China. CUSEF will manage the program by providing organizational support and logistical support. CUSEF will also send local staff to assist the group throughout the trip.

**Overview**

This is a two-week study delegation targeting college students from the Congressional Black Caucus member districts to come to China during summer 2017. During the 14-day visit, in addition to the cultural visits, students are expected to learn about Chinese language, history, culture, economic development, clean energy and other important subjects by attending lectures in the Chinese University such as Beijing Language and Culture University and Beijing Foreign Studies University. CUSEF and Chinese partners would cover all the necessary group expenses including accommodation, transportation, sightseeing tickets and meals, etc. in China.

**Dates of Travel** - Student group likely to travel beginning of August 2017 (to be confirmed)

(Note: Groups generally depart for China on a Saturday (arriving next day), remain for 13 days, and then return to the U.S. on a Saturday (arriving same day) (e.g. depart Sat., June 11 and return Sat., June 25)

**Cost**

Program Cost is $2,500.00

The College will provide a scholarship for $2,250.00

**The student is expected to pay $250.00 and any applicable course registration fee.**

**Eligibility**

* Good Academic Standing
* Minimum of 30 units completed

**Application / Selection Process**

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| 1. Complete the Application Form in this packet
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| 1. Write a 2 page essay *(12 point font, 1 inch margins, single spaced)* that addresses how your travel to China will support your growth related to one of the following Institutional Learning Outcomes:
	1. **Creativity:** Exhibit aesthetic reflection to promote, participate and contribute to human development, expression, creativity, and curiosity.
	2. **Diversity:** Engage in respectful interpersonal communications, acknowledging ideas and values of diverse individuals that represent different ethnic, racial, cultural, and gender expressions.
	3. **Civic Responsibility:** Accept personal, civic, social and environmental responsibility in order to become a productive local and global community member.
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| 1. Sign a ***Mutual Responsibility Contract*** if selected.
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| 1. Attach your transcript and current class schedule.
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**APPLICATION**

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**TRAVEL STUDY PROGRAM:** CHINA – UNITED STATES EXCHANGE FOUNDATION

**SEMESTER & YEAR:**  Summer 2017

**BIOGRAPHICAL**

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| Name:   |  |
| Date of Birth: |   |
| Student I.D. Number  |  |
| Current Mailing Address:City State Zip Code |
| Telephone: E-mail:  |

**ACADEMIC**

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Units Completed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Will you be enrolled at either BCC, COA, Laney College, or Merritt College during Fall Semester 2016? \_\_\_\_YES \_\_\_\_ NO

**TRAVEL HISTORY**

Are you eligible to travel outside the United States? \_\_\_\_YES \_\_\_\_ NO

Do you currently have a valid passport? \_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_\_ NO\*

\*If selected, you must apply for your passport no later than March 15th, 2017

**MEDICAL HISTORY:**

If selected to participate in this Travel Study Program, will you be able to physically participate in program activities with reasonable accommodations? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_\_ NO

Please explain if accommodations are needed.

**ESSAY**

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**SIGNATURE**

My signature below indicates I have read, acknowledge, and agree to the following conditions for my participation in this Travel Study Program:

* I will submit a $250 deposit prior to March 15th, 2017 to: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* If selected, I will sign a ***Mutual Responsibility Contract*** that outlines my obligations and requirements.

I certify that all information on this form is true and accurate. If selected to participate in this Travel Study Program, I will notify Merritt College of any changes to this information prior to the start of the travel study program.

Signature

Date