The Mellon Presidential Project for Global Learning
The Basics, Version 1 (June 2015)

What is this project and where did it come from? Two faculty study tours of twelve people each will travel to China (late June 2016) and Turkey (late June 2017) for a ten-day set of seminars, experiential learning opportunities, and site visits. President Ainlay drew on his own experience as a mid-career faculty member at Holy Cross in developing this project. At Holy Cross, he joined a group of faculty who travelled to and studied in China. As President Ainlay wrote in his Mellon grant application, ‘It was an educational experience that had a profound impact on my pedagogy and my relations with other faculty, many of whom I consider close friends and colleagues to this day.’ He wanted to create a similar opportunity for Union faculty to have meaningful, transformative experiences in their lives, careers, and classrooms.

What are the goals? The Project for Global Learning aims to bring together faculty members dedicated to transforming the Liberal Arts experience at Union through cross-disciplinary, global experiences. The study tours are designed to develop faculty experience with multi-disciplinary approaches that focus on important questions and encourage a global perspective. The experience will help faculty forge connections across disciplines that create for them and their students a holistic, integrated understanding of questions of great import to humanity. By focussing the Project for Global Learning on the Common Curriculum, we aim to engage student learning across the campus in diverse settings and courses, creating an opportunity more broadly to reimagine the Common Curriculum around multi-disciplinary perspectives on issues of global significance.

What do you mean by global learning or a global perspective? We aim to engage questions, issues, and challenges that are of global importance, but in complex ways:

- questions that are truly global in scale and link peoples and societies
- shared challenges with effects on peoples and societies across the globe but with indirect or no obvious direct connections
- issues that have unique local manifestations that require us to recognize the global in the local and vice versa or move beyond a simple local-global binary itself
- problems whose solution demands that we live not in the eternal present but embrace our complex pasts and think about the long-term.

**What is the focus of the study tour to China? To Turkey?** Both study tours in China and Turkey will take a multi-disciplinary approach to the same theme: *global social justice and the challenges of inequality and sustainability*. The study tours will bring together faculty from disciplines, departments, and programs across the four divisions to examine this theme in all its complexity. Faculty have already expressed an interest in questions around gender and power, social-artistic critique and advocacy, designing and engineering sustainable cities and farms, food ecologies and social-political instability, the environmental, economic, and cultural limits of carbon-based societies, strategies for individual and community empowerment, and others. Both study tours give us scope to explore these and other unique, original interests in the subject.

**How do I learn about the China study tour? Where does it go? What are the seminars and topics?** Union is working with CIEE (Council on International Educational Exchange) to develop the two study tours around our theme and particular subjects. CIEE is based in Portland and has a fully-staffed regional office in both Beijing and Istanbul. They work in partnership with diverse organizations in both China and Turkey, including universities, community groups, and the like. The CIEE websites for the 2015 versions of the China and Turkey tours can be found below. In addition, the call for applications you received via email included a link to the syllabus for the 2015 China study tour.


Turkey [http://www.ciee.org/international-faculty-development-seminars/turkey/arts-humanities/](http://www.ciee.org/international-faculty-development-seminars/turkey/arts-humanities/)

**Who is involved in the China study tour at Union?** We have three directors for the China study tour: Joyce Madancy (Director), Megan Ferry (Co-Director), and Cherrice Traver (Co-Director). Therese McCarty (administrative matters) and John Cramsie (curricular matters, PGL coordination) with the Gen Ed Board oversee the *Project for Global Learning*.

- For questions about study in China, you can contact any of the three directors at madancyj@union.edu, ferrym@union.edu, traverc@union.edu with PGL in the subject line.
- For questions about the application process, the PGL itself, and curricular integration of the study tour, you can contact John Cramsie at education@union.edu with PGL in the subject line.

**Is this for me? — my research and teaching don’t have anything to do with global social justice, inequality, sustainability, China, or Turkey.** The study tours are not only for faculty with teaching or research expertise in these subjects or places. We selected locations that gave us the best opportunities to explore the overall theme in all its complexity and respond to faculty interest.

- The study tour directors will work directly with CIEE to add and modify content, ideally to reflect the interests of all the participating faculty members. For example, we will add stronger content on arts and humanities to the China study tour. We will expand the science and engineering content of the Turkey study tour. That said, there are constraints on how tailored the experience can be.
• For those of you with interest or expertise in these subjects but not in the Chinese or Turkish contexts, we would hope seeing them at work in a particular locale will encourage new, perhaps broader, cross-cultural or global perspectives.
• For those of you with interest or expertise in what might at first appear a clearly defined subject outside either these subjects or places, we would hope the study tour encourages creative and imaginative perspectives on familiar teaching and research.
• For those of you without experience or expertise in any of these subjects or places, the study tour is an invitation to think anew about your teaching or research in a different context with an engaged, committed, supportive group of colleagues.

What am I committing to if I’m selected for the China study tour? The final call for applications will come in September with a deadline of 6 October. We plan to inform faculty of the selection results by 6 November. Selected faculty are required to participate in the following activities as a condition of selection:
• An initial group meeting in November 2015.
• Two groups meetings in Winter and Spring 2016 to discuss curricular planning and practicalities for the study tour itself.
• Study tour travel to China in late June/early July – exact dates forthcoming. Please note by decision of Dean McCarty and the PGL working group that faculty are obligated for the entirety of the study tour to the group and group activities. Families and friends are not allowed to travel with or accompany the faculty member during the study tour. Separate arrangements for travel and sightseeing during the study tour are not permitted.
• A two-day campus retreat in late July or early August to create curricula (lessons, modules, team-teaching activities, new courses etc.) building on the study tour. The retreat will be highly structured and facilitated by outside expert(s). Faculty are expected to integrate content relevant to the study tour experience into courses taught for Common Curriculum credit.
INTERNATIONAL FACULTY DEVELOPMENT SEMINARS

China

Seeking a Sustainable Future

Overview

During the last 30 years, China has experienced an immense and unprecedented economic transformation in addition to numerous deep-reaching social and political changes. This has led to significant material improvements in the lives of hundreds of millions of people. It has also created substantial social inequalities and environmental burdens. The need for sustainable practices in China—balancing environmental, sociocultural, and economic needs—is acute, and the consequences of failure to do better not only plays out in the present, but will compromise the ability of future generations to meet their needs. During this seminar, we will examine this vital issue and the sweeping changes impacting China’s diverse communities, including problems and solutions, conflicts and compromises, discourses, and questions about survival, identity, and the future of a nation.

This seminar includes a multi-day excursion to significantly less developed parts of northern China. This trip—focusing on developmental disparity between coastal and inland areas, local industry, environment, and impacts of outward migration from rural communities—will take participants far from the typical tourist routes, offering a strikingly different experience of sustainability issues and enterprises that are found in a Chinese city like Beijing.

Program Activities

Lectures, discussions, site visits, and community field visits will provide participants with a fairly comprehensive picture of sustainability issues in both Chinese urban centers and rural villages.

Lectures & Discussions

- **33 Years of Transformation and Development: A Short History of the Sustainability Crisis in China**
  Explore the key features of the three pillars of sustainability—economy, environment, and society—through a survey of sustainability issues in China and the challenges they present.

- **Rural Migrant Labor in the City—Causes, Effects, and Remittances**
  Migrations of rural populations and labor mobility have driven China’s economic growth. But migrant workers face economic, social, political, and cultural challenges before they become Chinese citizens. Examine how Chinese authorities have gradually loosened restrictions on rural-urban migration, and how new policies aim to improve the lives of migrant workers.

- **From GDP to Assessment of Sustainability: Developing Adequate Measures for Sustainable Development and Growth**
  Gain perspective on China’s growth and development and a critical view of traditional development and well-being measures. Discuss the characteristics of predominant sustainability assessment methodologies, with a focus on the analysis of urban metabolism.

- **Improving Water for Humans in China: Shipping from South to North and Looking Within**
  Explore how water is used and abused in China. Additionally, examine the new public awareness of this issue, the dream for new water sources, and the challenges of water security in China.

- **Local Corporatism in a Global Age: Survival of the Fittest?**
  Discuss the ways in which global competition for resources and advantage play out in China in terms of international economic strategies and influences, as well as local competition and government initiatives.
Environmental History of Northern China: Human Impacts and Social Consequences
Broaden your perspective with an analysis of northern China’s environmental history and the region’s increasing environmental challenges in a globalized world.

The Search for a Meaningful Chinese Identity and Roots in a Turbulent Global Age
Gain a deeper understanding of the socio-cultural factors in Chinese society as the nation seeks stability and sustainability.

Community Activities & Engagement

- Take part in a lunchtime discussion with Chinese scholars. Explore and evaluate the sustainability debate between government institutions and national scholars.
- Visit Tiananmen Square and Qianmen Street. Take a guided tour through the old-style neighborhood of Hutong in Beijing as you explore the Chinese policy to balance modernization with conservation of heritage assets.
- Visit an organic farm in Beijing. Meet with local workers to learn about the potential and challenges of civic agriculture and cooperative sustainable farming.
- Visit the Beijing Urban Planning Exhibition Center. Explore the realities of urban growth and planning in a major Chinese city.
- Tour a coal transfer yard. Observe methods of energy extraction and current development models which, while relying on cheap energy, come at a high price.
- Stay overnight in a small Da-REN village in northern Shanxi province in the Loess Plateau. Share meals with local families to see what it’s like to live in a rural environment, and examine the specific resource challenges of the region.
- Visit an earthen section of the Great Wall of China. Meet with descendants of Ming dynasty garrison soldiers to gain a deeper appreciation of the geographic and cultural history of the area.
- Take a modestly challenging hike on shepherding and farming trails outside Da-REN to observe conditions of rural life in the context of resources and the environment.
- Visit a mountaintop wind farm to experience the challenges and contradictions of renewable energy development in China.

Program Objectives

During this seminar, participants will:

- Articulate and interpret the sociocultural, economic, and environmental dimensions of sustainability.
- Comprehend the various sustainability needs and challenges for China and the world through observation and discussion.
- Understand the enormous gap in conditions between urban and rural areas in China, and also the related rural-urban poles of sustainability challenges and their interconnectedness in China.
- Identify and analyze key features of domestic sustainability in China including the role of state actors, the private sector, and civil society.
- Discuss succinctly, in appropriate “sustainability” terms, the relationship between environmental sociocultural and economic development in China.

Seminar Locations

Based in Beijing with overnight excursions to a rural region of Hebei or Shanxi provinces; participants fly in and out of Beijing.

Host Institution / Center

- The CIEE Study Center, Beijing

*Seminar content subject to change.*
Seminar Title: Exploring Environmental, Cultural, and Economic Sustainability in China’s Urban and Rural Landscapes

Dates: June 2-12, 2015
Location: Beijing and Shanxi/Hebei Provinces
Seminar Language(s): English, Chinese (with English translation)
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Telephone: (+86313) 7028888

Tianzhen Hot Springs Hotel
Tianzhen County, Hebei China
Telephone: (86352) 6085333

Seminar Overview

In the past 35 years, China has experienced an unprecedented economic transformation and deep-reaching social and political changes. This has led to significant improvements in the lives of hundreds of millions of people. It also has created substantial social inequalities and environmental burdens. The need for sustainable practices in China that balance environmental, sociocultural, and economic needs is acute, and the consequences of failing to enact them puts future generations at risk.
During this seminar, you'll examine this vital issue and the sweeping changes impacting China's diverse rural and urban communities identifying problems and solutions, conflicts and compromises, discourses, and questions about survival, identity, and the future of a nation.

In addition to spending time in China's capital city, Beijing, you'll also take a multiday excursion to parts of northern China that are far less developed. This excursion will take you far from typical tourist routes and provide a striking contrast to ultra-urban Beijing. Along the way, we'll focus on developmental disparity between coastal and inland areas, local industry, environment, and impacts of people moving out of rural communities.

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- Understand the enormous difference in conditions between urban and rural areas of China, and how issues of sustainability in both types of areas affect all of China.
- Identify and analyze key features of domestic sustainability in China, including the roles of state actors, the private sector, and civil society.
- Discuss the relationships between environmental, sociocultural, and economic development in China.

Required Readings

Books:


Watts, J. When a Billion Chinese Jump: How China Will Save Mankind -- or Destroy it. [http://tiny.lv/_OGxMVyU](http://tiny.lv/_OGxMVyU)

Articles provided electronically:


Video:


Recommended Readings & Resources

Books:


Articles provided electronically:


Global Footprint Network. "Ecological footprint atlas 2010."


**Schedule**

**Tuesday June 2: Arrivals**

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<td>Welcome dinner</td>
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**Wednesday June 3: Transformations of China and Beijing**

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<td>8:00am</td>
<td>Breakfast at hotel (or optional breakfast at MUC student cafeteria with young CIEE staff/tutors)</td>
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<td>9:00am</td>
<td>Welcome and General Info Session by Karlis (IFDS Seminar Leader) at MUC</td>
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Speaker: Chad Futrell, CIEE Beijing Center Director

12:00pm | Lunch | Around the campus

1:30pm  | Visit: Tiananmen, Beijing Urban Planning Exhibition + Qianmen Culture Business Street | Comfortable walking shoes

5:00pm  | Walking Tour through Hutong (old-style neighbourhood) | Comfortable walking shoes

6:00pm  | Beijing Duck Dinner | Casual dinner

### Thursday June 4: Social institutions and the environment

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| 8:30am | Lecture: From Basics to Legal Frontiers: Introduction to Environmental Legal Litigation in China.  
Speaker: Lin Yanmei | Required:  
Stern, Rachel E. "From Dispute to Decision: Suing Polluters in China."  
Clark, Donald. "The Chinese Legal System".  
Optional:  
Stern, Rachel E. Environmental Litigation in China: A Study in Political Ambivalence  
Givens, John W. "Sleeping with Dragons? Politically Embedded Lawyers Suing the Chinese State".  
Wang, Alex L. T"he Search for Sustainable  | At MUC campus |

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<td>Lunch: Uyghur food</td>
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**Friday June 5: Development and the Environment**

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<td>Lunch with foreign researchers working in China</td>
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<td>Visit: Chinese environmental NGO “Friends of Nature”</td>
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### Saturday June 6: Governance of the Environment

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<td>Lecture: Role of media in sustainability in China Speaker: Michael Anti</td>
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<td>12:00pm</td>
<td>Lunch on your own</td>
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1:30pm Departure for Hebei/Shanxi
3:00pm Visit: Organic Farm in Beijing ‘Little Donkey’
4:00pm Drive to Yu County: developments on the mountain slopes there. Views along the way include the Great Walls at Juyong Pass, the Guanting Reservoir, windfarms and housing (4 1/2 hours).
8:00pm Arrival at Yu County and dinner

Sunday June 7: Protection of cultural resources in rural areas and leveraging of these resources for tourism development

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<td>Place: Hebei province</td>
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<td>Morning</td>
<td>The Monastery of Redoubled Peace Chong Tai Si 重泰寺: View a functioning Buddhist monastery with massive mid-Qing frescoes depicting the &quot;Hosts of Water and Land&quot;. Discuss the historical and present relationship of this temple with the surrounding four fortress-villages and the present state of repair.</td>
<td>Waldron's 'The Great Wall of China: From History to Myth' provides extensive historic background for the areas we will be visiting.</td>
<td>Attire: comfortable walking shoes</td>
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<td>The Northern Directional City Bei Fang Cheng 北方城: View an example of a fortress-village that has been renovated for the tourist trade.</td>
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<td>Single-Mound Fort Dan Hou Cun 單堠村: View an example of a fortress-village which has not been renovated.</td>
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<td>Noon</td>
<td>Drive back to Yu County for lunch</td>
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<td>Afternoon</td>
<td>Warm Springs Township Nuan Quan Zhen 暖泉鎮: View Yu County's premier cultural attraction and one of the best preserved old towns in North China.</td>
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<td>6:00pm</td>
<td>Dinner in Yu County</td>
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<td>Stay at GreenTree Inns Hotel</td>
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Monday June 8: On this day we will focus on efforts to promote clean energy (in this case wind) and fledgling movements towards ecotourism in China

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<td>Morning</td>
<td>The Grassland in the Sky Kong Zhong Cao Yuan</td>
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The Grassland in the Sky Kong Zhong Cao Yuan. Participants will have the opportunity to understand Chinese "grassland tourism" and the romanticization of minority peoples.

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<th>Lunch</th>
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| Afternoon | Choice between paper cutting workshop or excursion to villages and forts:  
(1) The half-abandoned fortress town of Great Stubborn Fort Da Gu Cheng 大固城 and the temple hall of Buddha-Mind Mind Monastery Fo Xin Si 佛心寺 with superb 15th century frescoes.  
(2) The 19th century Catholic Church of West He Family Garrison Xi He Ying 西合營.  
(3) Yu County's famous "Images of the Hundred Trades", a series of eighteenth century frescoes in Xiayuan Village 夏愿村 depicting village work.  
(4) One of Yu County's favorite outing spots, the beautiful Monastery of the Jade Springs 玉泉寺 on the slopes of the Taihang mountains, and the Buddha Forts 附圖村 beneath it. This involves a short (10-15 min) hike from the fort to the monastery. |
| Dinner | Dinner in Yuzhou |
| Evening | Optional guided walk through the apartment complexes at the outskirts of Yu to the old town at the center, passing through the various levels of development. | Stay at GreenTree Inns Hotel |

Tuesday June 9: Today we will drive and hike from Yu County to Yangyuan county, viewing coal mines, wind farms, and mountain views.

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| Morning | Drive to Yangyuan County. The 3 hour drive will wind through an active mining region which is also a target area of "ecological migration" programs and major wind developments. | Place: Hebei province to Shanxi province  
Attire: comfortable walking shoes or sturdy shoes and long pants for hike |
Late morning/noon

**Lunch in Yangyuan County Seat**

**Hike/Fortress Visit**: From here the group will split up - those who wish to will participate in a 5-6 hour hike across the mountains from Yangyuan into Tianzhen.

**No Hike**: The Opening of Yang Fort Kai Yang Bu 開陽堡. The gatehouse of this fortress was built in the Tang Dynasty and is one of the oldest standing buildings in north China, but is in a disastrous state of disrepair. Visitors can also view the collapsing frescoes and painted woodwork of the Temple to King Yama Yan Wang Miao 閻王廟 and watch herders bring their sheep across the grassland and forest to the springs beneath the fort.

**Hike**: Participants will walk from Sounding-Water Valley Village (Xiang Shui Gou Cun 響水溝村) to Big-Man Valley Village (Da Ren Gou Cun 大人溝村). The hike will include mountain views, small villages, and a large wind farm on the ridge-top.

Evening

**Homestay at Li’erkou Village/ Tianzhen Hot Springs Hotel**

For those choosing to hike, the hike will be beautiful but strenuous. Bring water and long pants for nettles.

**Wednesday June 10: Preservation of the Great Wall and regeneration of Datong City**

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<td>Optional Sunrise Hike along the Great Wall</td>
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<td>7:30 am</td>
<td>Departure from hotel</td>
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<td>8:00 am</td>
<td>Optional short hike along the Great Wall / or breakfast at homestays for those returning from Sunrise Hike</td>
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<td>Take overnight sleeper Train to Beijing K218 (21:56-4:08)</td>
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**Thursday June 11: Return to Beijing, Closing Workshop**

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<td>Breakfast at hotel</td>
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<td>Debrief and Wrap</td>
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<td>Optional visit to the National Library of China or the Panda House at the Zoo (ticket self-paid)</td>
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<td>6:00pm</td>
<td>Farewell Dinner</td>
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**Friday June 12: Departures**

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INTERNATIONAL FACULTY DEVELOPMENT SEMINARS

What's Included

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CIIE strives to keep seminar fees as low as possible while still providing top-quality educational experiences. We hope their inclusiveness, funding from CIIE, and any funding that may be available from your institution or external sources, make this opportunity feasible for you.

IFDS fees are $3,850 for 10-day, single-country seminars; $4,400 for 11-day, multi-country seminars; and $2,450 for our seven-day seminars. Fees include:

Academic

- Academic program (on-site orientation, all lectures, site visits, seminar materials, and outcomes-focused workshop).
- Accommodation in single rooms (unless otherwise noted), in well-located modest hotels, guesthouses, or university housing (discounts available for those requesting to share accommodations with a fellow participant).
- Two meals daily, usually breakfast and lunch.
- Welcome and farewell receptions with dinner.
- Lectures and discussion sessions led by local faculty, researchers, public officials, and practitioners who present, analyze, and discuss the primary questions and debates relevant to the seminar theme.
- Detailed syllabi that include readings, objectives, and framing questions for all seminar activities, and are used by CIIE seminar leaders to structure and navigate the program’s academic progression.

Logistics

- Transportation to included activities.
- Entrance fees for included excursions.
- International medical and travel insurance and 24-hour worldwide assistance provided through iNext.
- One CIIE airport pick-up and drop-off coordinated around the majority of arrivals and departures.
- Pre-departure support (including IFDS staff assistance, detailed online pre-departure readings, and virtual information sessions).
- Standard visa fees and processing assistance provided by Travisa. (Note: as Travisa only serves U.S. citizens, non-U.S. citizens should submit their visa application independently to the appropriate consulate.)
- A comprehensive on-site orientation that introduces participants to the CIIE Study Center and includes segments focused on intercultural development and engaging the seminar syllabus and learning objectives.
- Site visits and intercultural activities at local NGOs, schools, heritage sites, museums, and community institutions that provide practical experience and opportunities to engage meaningfully with local people, complementing the theoretical discussions held in class.

What's not included?

Costs associated with passports, port of entry visa fees (if applicable), visas that exceed standard group processing rates, international departure taxes, international airfare, ground transportation beyond the one organized airport pick-up and one drop-off, most dinners, baggage charges, porterage, tips, and any incidental expenses.

http://www.ciee.org/international-faculty-development-seminars/about/whats-included/
Available Discounts

If you are affiliated with a CIEE Academic Consortium member institution (http://www.ciee.org/study-abroad/advisors/membership/ac-members/) and a first-time IFDS participant, you may be eligible for a $2,000 grant to be awarded by your study abroad office to facilitate faculty development. If you are an IFDS alumni, you may be eligible for an additional discount, please contact the IFDS team for more information.

Click here (../seminars/) to see a complete list of dates and fees for all 2016 seminars.

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Pre-departure Logistics

Documentation Requirements

A valid passport is required for participation on all seminars. Please note that many countries require a visitor to hold a passport that will be valid six months beyond their arrival date. Applicants who do not have a valid passport, or have one due to expire shortly after their scheduled travel dates, should apply for or renew one immediately. Visa processing assistance will be provided by Travisa for U.S. citizens who must obtain applicable visas for countries that require advance approvals. The cost of this service is paid by CIEE and is limited to seminar-related travel requirements, in conjunction with the seminar dates, and adherence to scheduled deadlines. Visa application forms and instructions for U.S. citizens are provided electronically approximately two to three months prior to departure. Participants who need additional visa services, including but not limited to: non-seminar related multiple entries, rush services, or other individualized requirements, must obtain and purchase their visas independently. Non-U.S. citizens are required to check with the appropriate host country consular office nearest their place of residence to determine entry requirements. There are no refunds for unused visa application fees.

International Flights

International airfare is not included in the seminar fee. All participants are responsible for making their own international flight reservations. Multi-site seminars include travel between sites in the seminar fee. Please note that some seminars begin and end in different cities. Also note that under no circumstances is CIEE responsible for any flight cancellation or flight change charges incurred for travel to and from the seminar start and finish cities. Therefore applicants should not purchase plane tickets until CIEE confirms the seminar and provides seminar specific flight booking instructions.

Planning Arrival / Departure Times

Arrival should be planned for the first day listed on the seminar webpage and departure should be planned for the last day listed. For example, if seminar dates are listed as June 1–June 11, you should plan to arrive on June 1 and depart on June 11. There will be no seminar content on departure day. Week long seminars include 7 hotel nights, single-country seminars include 10 hotel nights and multi-country seminars include 11 hotel nights. Details regarding exact arrival and airport pickup times and recommended departure and airport transfer times are included in pre-departure materials.

Many past participants have found it advantageous to arrive at least one day prior to the start of the seminar to settle in and adjust to the time change. Please note, this additional day is not included in the seminar fee. Participants opting to arrive early must make accommodation arrangements and payments for the additional day(s) independently. Past participants have also noted that due to the intensive nature of the seminars, personal travel pre- or post-seminar may be necessary to pursue individual interests.

CIEE International Medical and Travel Insurance

All participants receive international medical and travel insurance through the iNext card (http://www.inext.com/), which provides insurance coverage when traveling outside the United States. Benefits include access to a 24-hour...
emergency help line, and basic coverage for accident, sickness, emergency evacuation, accidental death and dismemberment, trip cancellation/interruption, and repatriation of remains.

Pre-departure Information

Seminar participants receive extensive pre-departure preparation materials via their online application checklist, including a bibliography of recommended readings; information on the seminar’s leadership, host institution, and lecturers; a detailed program itinerary; and safety, health, and cultural information on the overseas destination. Upon arrival overseas, participants are given an orientation to the seminar destination and program by the seminar leader.

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Program Terms + Conditions

1. I agree to take full responsibility for the on-time payment of the CIEE International Faculty Development Seminars (IFDS) program fee regardless of who makes the payment. If payment cannot be made by the deadline specified on the invoice received from CIEE, I understand that I am responsible for signing a Late Payment Agreement with CIEE and paying an additional non-refundable deposit of $250 to secure my place in the program. The new payment deadline will be specified in the Late Payment Agreement. Participant confirmation in a seminar must be received no later than one week after the published application deadline. Upon confirming participation on a seminar, a non-refundable $500 deposit is required. This deposit must be received by CIEE within 30 days after confirmation. I understand that CIEE’s acceptance of my participation in the program will be withdrawn by CIEE if full payment for my participation in the program has not been received by CIEE at least 30 days prior to the program’s start date. Withdrawal of CIEE’s acceptance of my participation in the program means that I will not be allowed to participate in the program and I will pay to CIEE the withdrawal fees as outlined in point 2, below.

2. Withdrawal from a confirmed seminar is subject to cancellation fees. Cancellations are effective only by written notice to CIEE and are effective as of the date of receipt by CIEE. If receipt is 44-30 days prior to the seminar start date, a cancellation fee of 25% of the program fee is imposed. If written notification is received 29-14 days prior to the seminar start date, a cancellation fee of 50% of the program fee is imposed. If written notification is received 13 or fewer days prior to the seminar start date, a cancellation fee of 100% of the program fee is imposed.

3. Deferrals. Deferrals of enrollment for a one year period are permitted upon written notice to CIEE received at least 14 days prior to the commencement of the program.

4. No partial refunds will be given for unused meals, hotel rooms, airport transfers, excursions, etc. for any reason whatsoever.

5. If CIEE secures a visa for participant and participant withdraws or is dismissed from the program before departure or during the program, the participant may not use the visa to enter or remain in the program country. I understand that CIEE will report withdrawal to appropriate immigration officials of the program country.

6. CIEE’s IFDS programs are based on group arrangements involving a minimum number of participants. In the unlikely event that a program is cancelled (due to low enrollment or any other reason that CIEE deems as reasonable), CIEE will refund all payments received, but will have no liability for any other expenses related to or preparing for the program or travel arrangements there to.

7. CIEE does not own or operate any entity which is to or does provide goods or services for your program (except that it employs resident directors and staff), including, for example, schools or school facilities, visa processing services, arrangements for or ownership or control over houses, apartments or other lodging facilities, airline, vessel, bus or other transportation companies, local ground operators, providers or organizers of optional excursions, food service or entertainment providers, etc. All such persons and entities are independent contractors. As a result, CIEE is not liable for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such person or entity, or of any third party. Without limitation, CIEE is not responsible for any injury, loss, or damage to person or property, death, delay or inconvenience in connection with the provision of any goods or services occasioned by or resulting from, but not limited to, acts of God, force majeure, acts of war or civil unrest, insurrection or revolt, strikes or other labor activities, criminal or terrorist activities of any kind or the threat thereof, overbooking or downgrading of accommodations, structural or other defective conditions in houses, apartments, hotels,
guesthouses or other lodging facilities (or in any heating, plumbing, electrical or structural problem therein), mechanical or other failure of airplanes or other means of transportation or for any failure of any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart timely, dangers associated with or bites from animals, pests or insects, epidemics or the threat thereof, sanitation problems, food poisoning, lack of, access to or quality of medical care, difficulty in evacuation in case of a medical or other emergency, or for any other cause beyond the direct control of CIEE.

8. I understand that travel in other nations is not similar to travel within the United States. Programs outside the United States can involve inconvenience and risk, including, but not limited to, forces of nature, geographic and climatic conditions, different hygienic standards, infrastructure problems (including but not limited to road maintenance, transportation delays and accommodation conditions), civil unrest, political stability and terrorism. Medical services or facilities may not be readily available during all or part of a program and, if available, may not be equal to standards in participant’s home country. I assume all risk of bodily injury, death, emotional trauma, property damage, inconvenience and/or loss resulting from negligence or any other acts of any and all persons or entities, however caused, including, but not limited to, those risks mentioned above. It is my intention fully to assume all of the risks of travel and participation in the CIEE program and to release CIEE from any and all liabilities to the maximum extent permitted by law.

9. I understand that I am obligated to comply with local laws and customs while traveling abroad. Many such local laws and customs may be substantially different from those in my home country. I recognize that my conduct can have an effect on the educational and other benefits intended by the program for other participants, hosts and myself. I agree to conduct myself in a manner that will support mutually beneficial interaction with other participants and hosts. I understand that conduct considered unacceptable to CIEE includes, but is not limited to, excessive use of alcoholic beverages, loud and/or abusive behavior toward others, sexual harassment, criminal conduct of any kind, use of drugs other than prescribed drugs for legal medicinal purposes, and/or unwillingness to cooperate with other members of the program, hosts and program management. Such conduct as well as any other conduct which in the sole discretion of CIEE may be damaging to the program, other participants, working relations with governments, suppliers and educational institutions with whom CIEE contracts/cooperates, and may lead to dismissal of a participant from the program. Dismissal of participant by CIEE will not reduce the obligation of the undersigned for payment of full program costs.

10. I understand that I am solely responsible for any and all expenses and costs incurred by me before, during and after the program except for the costs of items, which are expressly listed in the on the IFDS website here (../seminars). Under no circumstances will CIEE be responsible for any of participant’s expenses incurred in preparing for the program. Said expenses include, but are not limited to, advance purchase air tickets, equipment, passport fees, visa fees, medical expenses, or any other expense incurred by participant in preparation for the program.

11. CIEE reserves the right to make changes in the program’s itinerary sequence, as well as other changes, including, but not limited to, substitutions of or changes in excursions, activities, lectures, site visits and topics listed currently in the catalog. Any and all such changes are without liability on the part of CIEE.

12. If by my acts or omissions I cause or threaten to cause damage of any kind whatsoever to third parties, I accept full responsibility. Further, in the event of such damage or loss, I agree to indemnify and hold CIEE harmless from any and all actions taken by third parties for said damages or loss.

13. I understand that I am solely responsible for my pre-seminar, seminar, and post-seminar medical care in all respects, including, but not limited to, obtaining and taking necessary medication(s), vaccinations and any other medical care and treatment. I certify that I will consult a physician qualified in travel medicine, immunizations and infectious/tropical diseases prior to my trip departure.

14. All program participants are covered under CIEE Accident & Sickness Insurance. Coverage provided by this policy is meant to supplement private insurance and to provide coverage for activities related to traveling abroad. I understand that detailed information on the coverage of this policy has been made available to me. Further medical, evacuation, trip cancellation, trip interruption, baggage loss/damage, accident/sickness and any and all other applicable insurance is strongly recommended. I understand that health care and evacuations
outside my home country are not covered by most standard insurance policies and can be extremely expensive. I am solely responsible for payment of any and all medical evacuation, trip cancellation, trip interruption, baggage loss/damage, accident/sickness and any and all other insurance expenses incurred by me during my program or related to my program. I understand I am solely responsible for my medical, psychological and physical condition during the duration of my program with CIEE. Should any medical, psychological or physical problems arise during the course of my program with CIEE, I am solely responsible for any and all care that I may need. I understand and agree that I am also solely responsible for paying for the costs and expenses of any such care.

15. I certify that I do not have any physical or mental condition which will create a danger or hazard for me, other participants or hosts in the program. I understand that should I have a mobility issue that warrants accommodation, I will notify CIEE.

16. I understand that perceived or actual epidemics (such as, but not limited to, SARS or Avian Bird Flu) can delay, disrupt, interrupt or cancel programs. I agree to assume all risk of any such problems which could result from any such occurrences.

17. CIEE reserves the right to take photographic or film records of me and any program. I understand that CIEE may use such records for promotional and/or commercial purposes without limitation, payment of a fee and without liability.

18. CIEE reserves the right to decline, accept, dismiss, or retain any person as a participant in any program at any time before or during the program for any reason whatsoever, without liability for refund of payment except refunds regarding cancellation by CIEE of programs will be issued as per the terms within.

19. I agree to allow my name, address, e-mail address and telephone numbers to be distributed by CIEE to other program participants prior to departure.

20. All program applications are subject to acceptance by CIEE in Portland, Maine, USA.

21. In the event any part of this Participant Agreement, Release and Binding Arbitration form is found to be legally void or unenforceable, then such part will be stricken but the rest of this document will be given full force and effect.

22. This Participant Agreement, Release and Binding Arbitration form shall be legally binding upon myself, my heirs, successors, assigns and legal representatives.

23. Binding Arbitration. I agree that any dispute concerning, relating, or referring to this contract, the brochure, or any other literature concerning my program, or the program itself shall be resolved exclusively by binding arbitration in Portland, Maine, according to the then existing commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association. Such proceedings will be governed by substantive Maine law. The arbitrator and not any federal, state, or local court or agency shall have exclusive authority to resolve any dispute relating to the interpretation, applicability, enforceability, conscionability, or formation of this contract, including but not limited to any claim that all or any part of this contract is void or voidable.

24. I have carefully read this document entitled Participant Agreement, Release and Binding Arbitration form and I have carefully read all of the CIEE catalogues, program brochures and other descriptive materials provided to me by CIEE relating to my participation in the program and I have understood all of the contents of all such documents. I understand and agree to comply with all stated terms and conditions set forth in this Participant Agreement, Release and Binding Arbitration form as well as those terms and conditions set forth in the CIEE catalogues, brochures and other descriptive materials provided to me by CIEE relating to my participation in the program. I understand that the terms and conditions in this document as well as the terms and conditions in all of the above stated documents constitute a binding contract between myself and CIEE.

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