STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM IN TAIWAN JUNE 22 – JULY 22, 2020







PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

In cooperation with the Center for International Education, the Department of Asian and Asian American Studies at California State University, Long Beach, will offer a short-term study abroad program in Taiwan. The objectives of the Summer Study Abroad Program in Taiwan are: (1) to provide CSULB students with affordable opportunities for international education; and (2) to enable participants to substantially improve their Chinese proficiency by being immersed in the Chinese language and culture for four weeks from **June 22th through July 22th** at Ming Chuan University in Taipei. Students will enroll in Chinese 390 Special Topics in **Chinese Language and Culture** and earn 3 units from California State University, Long Beach. In addition, a certificate from Ming Chuan University will be awarded to students upon their completion of the program.

This unique program will provide an opportunity for CSULB students to experience Chinese culture through field trips and local attractions. Language courses in Mandarin will emphasize the subjects of daily life to train students to develop their basic abilities in listening, speaking, reading and writing. By interacting and practicing in the classroom, with local and international students, and participating in various cultural activities and tours, students will have the opportunity to apply in-class lessons to real-life situations within the community. Cultural components of the program include: National Palace Museum, Beijing Opera, the Confucius Temple, Chinese calligraphy, Chinese Kung-fu, Danshui Township, and Shiling Night Market.

ESTIMATED BUDGET*

Description	Cost
Airfare	\$1,300 (variable)
CSULB Summer Session Tuition	\$969 (3 units)
Program Cost in Taiwan	\$1,100*
Mandatory Travel Insurance	\$85
Subtotal	\$3,454
Scholarship	(up to) -\$1000**
Allowance	-\$400***
Total	\$2,054 (variable)

* The estimated budget, based on 15 to 20 participants, does not include meals, personal spending money, or optional field trips. The total cost may change slightly, depending on the fluctuating exchange rate between the dollar and the Taiwanese NT. Travel dates and airfares may vary slightly based on seat availability. **Scholarship amount will vary depending on how many apply. ***This allowance amount is subject to the approval by the Taiwanese government every year.

Students apply for Chin 390 "Chinese Language and Culture" through CCPE for this program. All application should be completed online through CCPE by **March 20, 2020**. If you have any questions, please contact the instructor of the program at <u>xiaowen.wu@csulb.edu</u>.