



Saint Mary's College  
China Summer Program

“Seeing China through Women’s Eyes”

June 6 – 22, 2020



Offering History Course (3 credits)

Scholarships available!

Application deadline: February 1, 2020

**This summer program is led by Dr. Alice Yang, Associate Director for International Education, and Dr. Yidi Wu, Assistant Professor of History. It is in collaboration with China Women’s University and Soong Ching Ling Foundation.**

It offers students and alumnae an opportunity to take part in an immersive academic and cultural trip across China. We will travel through various sites and learn Chinese history, culture, and women’s issues via face-to-face interaction with Chinese college students. The program includes a service-learning project related to women’s leadership and global peace.

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**More information available at: <https://www.saintmarys.edu/study-abroad/china-summer-program>**

## History Course:

### Beijing and Shanghai – A Tale of Two Cities in the Past and Present

While traveling from Beijing to Shanghai, this course introduces local history and culture through films, novels and non-fiction writings from the past century. As two of the biggest cities in China, Beijing and Shanghai have their distinctive characters that allow for comparison and contrast – such as the political center vs. the business center, or the “imperial capital” vs. the “magical capital.” Between the two cities, we will also explore Qufu, the hometown of Confucius, Mount Tai, one of the five Sacred Mountains in China, and Zhouzhuang, a water town famous for its canals. Through exploring the history of these sites, this course emphasizes regional diversity within China, as well as connections between the past and the present.

#### Tentative Tour Sites

**Beijing** – National Museum of China, Chinese Museum of Women and Children, Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square, Great Wall, Summer Palace, All-China Women's Federation, Former Residence of Soong Ching-ling

**Mount Tai, Shandong Province** – Eastern mountain of the Five Sacred Mountains of China, significant in Chinese religion

**Qufu, Shandong Province** – Confucius' hometown, Temple of Confucius, Cemetery of Confucius, Kong Family Mansion

**Zhouzhuang, Jiangsu Province** – “Venice of the East,” water town, canal, stone bridge, traditional house, tower

**Shanghai** – Shanghai Bund, Shanghai Tower, Yu Garden, People's Park, Pudong Economic Development Zone



#### Scholarships

Saint Mary's students can apply for the CWIL Student Summer Travel Grant and China Program Alumnae Scholarship. The grant is based on financial need and can help cover a portion of the costs. Additional funding will be offered to underrepresented students.

#### Eligibility

The China Summer Program is open to students of all majors and Saint Mary's alumnae. Non-SMC students can also apply. This is an English program and there is no Chinese language or GPA requirement. One faculty recommendation is required for student applicants.

#### Expenses

The program fee is \$4,800 and covers:

- 3 summer credits tuition
- Roundtrip airfare to China
- Three meals a day
- Three-star hotels
- Local transportation (bus or train) in China
- English tour guides
- Museum and historical site entrance fees
- International Insurance