

The Third International Summer School for China Studies

➤ Background

In summer of 2010 and 2011, the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences and Center for Modern China Studies of Nanjing University were joined by Harvard-Yenching Institute, the China Studies Centre of the University of Sydney, the National Institute of Chinese Studies of the University of Leeds, Worldwide Universities Network and the Department of History of Nanjing University to host the First and Second International Summer School for China Studies, which was attended by 80 doctoral students and postgraduates from dozens of prestigious universities, including Harvard University, Yale University, Columbia University, Princeton University, Oxford University, Cambridge University, University of Leeds, University of Sydney, Leidon University, Nagoya University, Seoul National University, Beijing University, Qinghua University, Nanjing University, Fudan University and National Taiwan University.

Based on the success of 2010 and 2011 Summer School, it has been agreed by Center for Modern China Studies of Nanjing University, Harvard-Yenching Institute, the China Studies Centre of the University of Sydney and the Department of History of Nanjing University to sponsor the Third (2012) International Summer School in China Studies.

➤ Aims

To spotlight the international implications of Chinese experiences against the background of globalization;

To provide young scholars of the world engaged in China studies an opportunity to understand China;

To share academic wisdom with outstanding researchers and be enlightened by criticisms from the younger generation;

To initiate world-wide communication and cooperation among institutes for China Studies;

To advance international studies of China and promote their intellectual accumulation.

➤ Features

Interaction among professors, government officials and students to build a platform for communication, analysis and understanding of Chinese society;

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Integration of indigenous perspectives and international horizons, which will be characterized by opinions about Chinese issues from both Chinese and international scholars;

Pluralism in class composition, which will come from the students' national, ethnic, regional and gender variety and result in gratifying communication between different cultures;

Classroom activities complemented by field research, which will facilitate theoretical understanding as well as empirical appreciation of both urban and rural China.

➤ Sponsors (2012)

Harvard-Yenching Institute

China Studies Center, University of Sydney

Center for Modern China Studies, Nanjing University

Department of History, Nanjing University

➤ Themes of the Year

Each year, different themes are chosen according to the evolution of Chinese society and development in China studies. Based on the chosen themes, five to eight professors from both home and abroad will be appointed for lectures. Meanwhile, fieldwork will be organized on the same base.

Theme of 2012 Summer School

Social Sciences Approaches to Chinese Everyday Life since 1978: Family, Education, Religion and Consumption

➤ Scheduling

The 2012 Summer School will span two weeks from June 20 to July 3, 2012. There will be four Parts.

Part one (June 20- June 30): Seven or eight theme lectures.

Part two (June 27): An international symposium on relevant themes, which our summer school enrollees are encouraged to attend .

Part three (July 1 – July 3): Field visits and closing presentations of enrollees.

Part four (after conclusion of the 2012 Summer School): Appraisal of enrollees' performance at the summer school, based on which outstanding enrollees will be granted a one-year fellowship at Harvard-Yenching Institute, or a 3-6 month fellowship at China Studies Center, University of Sydney/ Center for Modern China

Studies, Nanjing University.

➤ Site of the Event

The Johns Hopkins University - Nanjing University Centre for Chinese and American Studies

➤ Eligibility Criteria

The summer school is open to young teachers, doctoral students and outstanding postgraduates engaged in China studies from all over the world. There will be 30 enrollees.

The applicant should

(1) either be employed by an institution of higher education or research for China-relevant social sciences and humanities, with a doctorate and no more than 40 of age or be studying in an institution of higher education or research for a Ph.D. or master degree (provided that you stand out among other master students) of China-relevant social sciences and humanities such as economics, sociology, politics, history, philosophy, psychology, anthropology, communication and management and

(2) have a good command of English and Chinese, able to attend lectures and seminars given in both languages.

➤ Selection procedure

1. By March 31, 2012, the applicant should submit via email the completed application form. We also require reference letters from two professors, who are expected to email their references to csss@nju.edu.cn by the stated date.

2. By April 15, 2012, all applications will be forwarded for academic appraisal to experts appointed by Harvard-Yenching Institute and the Center for Modern China Studies, Nanjing University. Admission letters will first be delivered via email and then presented in printed copies on students' enrollment. The admission letter will be accompanied by information about the summer school programming so that the admitted can book tickets for travel.

➤ Further information

1. Nature of award

The summer school is financed by the above-mentioned sponsors. The award for each enrollee consists of:

1) Round trip fare (please show us your air tickets, boarding cards or train tickets on enrollment. We will reimburse your travel expenditure before the conclusion of the summer school). Please take care of the part of travel expenditure that exceeds the

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amount of reimbursement, which is stated as follows:

- a) up to 1,000 US dollars for each enrollee from Europe, America and Australia;
 - b) up to 500 US dollars for each enrollee from Asian countries and regions other than China;
 - c) up to 2,000 RMB yuan for each enrollee from Mainland China who will travel by air a distance over 800 kilometers (one way); full reimbursement of the train ticket (economy) for each enrollee from Mainland China who will travel no more than 800 kilometers.
- 2) Accommodations June 19– July 3, 2012 in the Johns Hopkins University - Nanjing University Centre for Chinese and American Studies (twin room);
- 3) Meals or meal subsidy June 19 (dinner) – July 3, 2012;
- 4) Expenses of field visits, transportation included; and
- 5) Printed materials for the summer school and symposium.

2. Time of enrollment

June 19, 2012 (until 12:00 pm).

3. Place of enrollment

The Johns Hopkins University - Nanjing University Centre for Chinese and American Studies at West Beijing Road, Nanjing, China

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