

Young Leaders China Fellowship Program

Friday, October 14 to Saturday, October 22

The Confucius Institute (CI) at Georgia State University and the World Affairs Council of Atlanta are partnering to send ten World Affairs Council Young Leaders to China to develop global leadership skills through cross-cultural exposure to Chinese business, media, and culture, coupled with a follow-on project designed to increase awareness and knowledge of doing business in or with China.

Itinerary (subject to change):

Beijing, Shanghai, Suzhou, and Hangzhou. While in these cities, the participants will visit companies in China, such as Alibaba and the Singapore Park, China's "Silicon Valley," as well as cultural sites such as the Great Wall and the China Pavilion at the World Expo.

Application Process and Criteria

Qualified applications will meet the following criteria:

- Demonstrated interest in China, with aspirations to make positive contributions to the trade exchange and business collaboration between China and the United States.
- Evidence of leadership, as demonstrated by a leadership position within an organization or community.
- Under the age of 40.
- Non-Chinese Citizen.
- Demonstrate high performance in professional experience.
- Active participation in the Young Leaders program.

Preference will be given to applicants who have never visited China.

A selection committee will review applications and select applicants for phone interviews. The decision will be based upon the overall strength of the applicant, and will look specifically to the leadership characteristics, skills presented, diversity, and experience. **A total of 10 candidates will be selected to participate.**

To apply, please submit the completed Young Leaders China Fellowship Application Packet by **April 15, 2016** to pguzman1@gsu.edu. All applicants will be notified by early May 2016 of the decisions, which then must be approved by Hanban, the public institution affiliated with the Chinese Ministry of Education and the parent organization of the Confucius Institute.

For inquiries please contact Paulina Guzman at 404-413-7030 or pguzman1@gsu.edu

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Application Due: April 15, 2016

Application/Nomination Materials

- Basic Information Online Form (link in Part I)
- Signed copy of application by supervisor
- Resume
- Letter of recommendation
- Completed essays

Part I: Basic Information

Please fill out basic information at this link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AP-mFmyAKTphEdniDLz1EODXOaQ84HGc9Ghh2BBFjw/viewform?usp=send_form

Part II: Applicant Supporting Documents

- A. Each applicant must receive approval by direct supervisor who signs the participant's application. Please have your supervisor sign this application. This is to ensure that participants who are selected will be given the time off from work needed to participate.
- B. Resume: Please send a current resume or curriculum vitae to pguzman1@gsu.edu. Please include professional experience, education, and international training or volunteer experience.
- C. Letter of Recommendation: At least one letter of recommendation is required from either your direct supervisor or another professional reference.

Part IV: Essay

Please answer each of the following questions. Your responses will enable us to properly select the strongest candidates as well as develop an appropriate and interesting itinerary for all participants.

1. Why do you want to participate in this fellowship and what do you hope to gain from it?
2. Discuss a special attribute or accomplishment that sets you apart in your personal and professional life.
3. How will your participation in this fellowship program benefit your company/organization?

Supervisor Approval

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Supervisor Approval

I support the application of _____ to participate in the Young Leaders China Fellowship from Friday, October 14 to Saturday, October 22, 2016. He/she will be granted time off to participate in the fellowship.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Company/Organization: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____