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## 2005 Business Department Trip to CHINA

## May 16-28, 2005

## **Basics about the trip**

The trip will last 11 days. (One day is lost due to traveling across the international date line).

You do NOT need to speak any Chinese to make the trip. We have translators in China to help us.

We stay at hotels which have been selected by the faculty during past trips. The **hotels are all 4 or 5 star**, and the service in outstanding. The hotel staff speak English.

One of our translators is employed in the medical field. Should anyone in our group need **any kind of medical care**, they will get a red carpet treatment. This includes lost medicine, eyeglasses, etc. Some over the counter medications might be hard to find in China, since they are not usually marketed under the same names in Chinese.

The **food is exceptional**, and that is an understatement.

We have services to exchange currency in the hotels. Chinese exchange rates are set by the government, and all banks use the same rates.

China is safe for tourists. Crime as we think of it in America is non-existent in China.

We will travel by group in buses or trains or in mass transit. Because of the difficulties of driving in China, we do not drive our own vehicles.

You will need a **passport**. In order to get a passport, you will need a birth certificate, current photo identification, two passport photos and the application from the post office (or you can get the form online from the U.S. Department of State's web site). Passports take about six weeks, so you should apply early. Your passport is valid for ten years, so it is not a waste to get a passport even if you do not go on the trip this year. The cost is \$75, more if express services are needed.

You will need a **Travel Visa** to enter China. Once you have your passport in hand, we will send all the passports to a service which gets all our visas approved. The costs is \$50 per person.

All the hotels have modestly priced **laundry services**. Pack light, you will want to bring back many souvenirs from your visit. You are allowed **two suitcases** to check and a carry on bag. Additional baggage is expensive, so plan ahead.

**Courses offered:** We will offer many courses: International Marketing, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Introduction to International Studies, International Studies Capstone, and Business in China

This is a **life-changing event**. You will remember this trip forever. **Do not let this opportunity** pass!