SU BEIJING CENTER
Spring 2015 Academic Update

PLANNING FOR REGISTRATION IN BEIJING

Request Courses

Review the information below and course descriptions on the SU Abroad website.

→ You need special permission from SU Abroad to take any course other than those found on our website.

Complete the Course Request Form following these instructions.

Take completed Course Request Form to your advisor to ensure your course plan will keep you on track for graduation.

→ It is helpful to print and provide your advisor with descriptions of all the courses you want to get approved.

Return Form to SU Abroad

Return form by November ____.

Bring a copy of this form with you to Beijing. Registration will occur in Beijing.

GRADING AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

➢ Grades for Tsinghua courses are not posted to your SU transcript until late August, so students should ensure that this timing will not adversely affect them academically or in terms of financial aid awarding. At Syracuse University, all work for registered classes must be completed on or before the degree certification date. Graduating seniors should seek advice from their home college regarding their degree certification date.

➢ Information on enrollment policies, grades, SU library resources, and registration can be found in Preparing To Go. Visiting students should also look in this publication for information on transfer credit and requesting an SU transcript.

➢ You should carefully review academic policies applicable to all SU Abroad programs.

REQUIRED COURSES
All undergraduates are required to take the following:

• A Chinese language course: See Semester Study for additional information.
**SEMESTER STUDY**

**Chinese Language: Registration in a Chinese language course is required** and based on a placement exam (students who are native Chinese speakers and completed high school level in China may be exempt from the language requirement).

→ Obtain initial approval for the most appropriate Chinese language course(s) based on your background in the language. If you are not a Syracuse student, you should refer to the course descriptions on our website and consult with an advisor in the languages department of your home school to select the appropriate language level.

Most students will take one of the intensive (up to 10 credits) courses taught by Tsinghua University, (These Tsinghua language courses are not directly equivalent to American university-Chinese courses and may repeat previous study):

- CHI 180 – [Intensive Chinese 1](#) (4-10 credits, Mandarin)
- CHI 280 – [Intensive Chinese 2](#) (4-10 credits, Mandarin)
- CHI 380 – [Intensive Chinese 3, 4, or 5](#) (3-10 credits, Mandarin)
- CHI 480 – [Intensive Chinese 6, 7, or 8](#) (3-10 credits, Mandarin)

We strongly recommend that you enroll in 8-10 credits of Tsinghua language courses or plan to sit in on other modules offered at their level. If you choose to take all modules offered at a given level, you will register for 10 credits and be in language classes for 15 hours per week.

If you are at the CHI 180, 280 and 380 levels:

- You will to register for a three- or four-credit comprehensive language course and may also select from two- to four-credit modules focusing on listening, speaking, and reading.

If you are at the more advanced CHI 480 levels:

- You will register for a three- or four-credit comprehensive language course and may also select from one- or two-credit modules focusing on writing, speaking, and reading and/or one-credit electives including Classical Chinese, Business Chinese, Advanced Grammar, and Chinese Culture.

**ADDITIONAL COURSES**

You may register for two to four additional classes (depending on the number of CHI language credits taken) from the following options:

1. **Center Course Offerings**

Center courses are offered based on sufficient student interest. Courses with low interest may be canceled or offered in independent study format. All courses are worth three (3) credits.

   - FLL/HST 300.1 – [The Changing Face of China: Evolving Chinese Cultural Identities](#)
   - PAI 515/PSC 431 – [China in Transition](#)

The following courses would be offered as an Independent Study: (You would first need to check with your home school for approval)

   - ANT 403/HST 443 – [Culture, Confucianism and Chinese Modernity](#)
   - COM 400.1 – [Chinese Media and Mass Communications](#)
   - ECN 300.1 – [China and the World Economy](#)
2. Tsinghua U Courses Taught in English

Students with a strong academic record (cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher) who have succeeded in high-level college math courses may enroll in up to two courses taught in English offered at Tsinghua University in accounting, economics, finance, or management.

Tsinghua Courses preapproved for Syracuse University credit are identified by a course number ending in ‘80’.

Not all of these courses will be available this spring. We cannot guarantee specific course offerings. Therefore, you should not count on taking or fulfilling specific degree requirements with a particular TU course, but should have several alternate courses in mind and approved by your home college. Tsinghua’s exam schedule may require students to stay beyond the regular SU Beijing program end-date (until late June).

The following TU courses have been offered in past spring semesters. A confirmed list of spring offerings will not be available until just before the start of classes. The following are worth three (3) credits unless otherwise indicated:

| ACC 280.1 | Management Accounting 1 |
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| ACC 380.1 | Intermed Financial Accounting 1 |
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| ACC 480.3 | Financial Statement Analysis |
| ACC 480.4 | Accounting Information System |
| CRS 380.1 | Business Communication |
| ECN 380.3 | Intermediate Macroeconomics |
| ECN 380.4 | Environmental & Resource Econ |
| ECN 380.5 | Behavioral Economics |
| ECN 480.2 | Economic Growth |
| ECN 480.4 | Monetary Economics & Banking |
| ECN 480.7 | Developmental Economics |
| ECN 480.60 | International Economics |
| ECN 480.61 | Econometrics |
| ECN 480.62 | Economics of Money and Banking |
| FIN 380.2 | Monetary Economics & Banking |
| FIN 480.61 | Financial Market Studies |
| FIN 480.63 | Fixed Income Securities Analysis |
| MIS 380.1 | Management Information Systems |
| PSC/ECN 380.6 | Intro to Internat’l Political Economy |
| SCM 280.1 | Production & Operations Management |

1. For SU Whitman majors, this course counts as ACC 252.
2. For SU Whitman majors, this course counts as ACC 356.
3. For SU Whitman majors, this course counts as a management elective.
4. For SU students, this course counts as ECN 302.
5. For SU students, this course counts as an economic elective.
6. For SU students, this course counts as 3 credits.
7. For SU students, this course counts as ECN 481.
8. For SU students, this course counts as FIN 355.
9. For SU students, this course counts as a management elective.
10. Not open to SU Whitman majors.

3. Tsinghua U Courses Taught in Chinese

If you have advanced oral and written proficiency in Mandarin and a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or higher, you may request to enroll in a maximum of two courses offered at Tsinghua University and taught in Chinese. If you are exempt from language study, completed high school level in China and meet the minimum cumulative GPA of 3.3 or higher, you may take additional courses at Tsinghua University. In Beijing, you will plan your full schedule and design a program of study based on your academic background from among course offerings at our Center and at Tsinghua U. (All students are required to take at least one Center course).

Because we cannot guarantee enrollment in a specific Tsinghua school or department, you should not count on meeting specific degree requirements with Tsinghua U. courses. Note that these courses must be approved for SU credit.
COURSE REQUEST FORM INSTRUCTIONS

Checklist for Students

RETURN this form by November ___. This is not a pre-registration form (you will register in Beijing) nor does it guarantee enrollment in the courses approved by your advisor.

Check that your course plan includes at least 12 credits. (You may register for up to 19 credits at no additional charge).

List five courses other than the Chinese language courses that you would like to take, in order of priority (#1 should be the one you would most like to take and #5 should be the course you would least like to take). You should seek approval for several alternate courses in order to facilitate your registration in the event of a schedule conflict or course cancellation.

Check that you have not time conflicts among your first-choice courses.

Check that none of your selected courses repeat prior study (even if the course is taught in another language). If you have any questions about whether a course covers the same or similar material to one already on your transcript, have your home institution review the syllabus for the new course.

Using the enclosed update and course descriptions from our website, seek approval for all courses from your study abroad advisor, college dean, academic advisor, college recorder, and/or other authorized official(s) at your institution. Documentation of the courses your college has pre-approved will facilitate your registration overseas and the transfer of credits to your degree program.

→ Visiting students: If your school requires you to use its own course approval form, you may attach a copy of your school’s form to this one. If your school does not pre-approve courses as a matter of policy, please note this on the reverse of this form. In either case, however, you should still list your course choices in order of priority on this form and return it to the SU Abroad office.

→ SU students: Take this form to your home college recorder to ensure that the courses you select are appropriate for your program of study. You may also need to obtain some approvals from your faculty or dual college advisor(s). Ask advisors to lift any advising hold.

Make and keep a copy of the completed form for you to refer to during registration overseas and send a copy to your home campus advisor for their files.

Return the original form, whether or not you have been able to obtain school approval, to:

→ Syracuse University Abroad, 106 Walnut Place, Syracuse, NY 13244-2650 OR
→ Fax it to the attention of Holly Stillman at (315) 443-2971 or (315) 443-4593 OR
→ Scan and email to hastillm@syr.edu

Within two weeks of receipt, and no later than November ___

Instructions for School Officials

1. Using the course descriptions and update provided by the student, indicate your approval of a course by signing in the "Course Approval" column. Note: If one official approves all courses, s/he may check the statement at the bottom of the form and sign just once.

2. Indicate how an approved course may count toward the student's degree in the "Counts Toward" column (e.g., major, minor, elective, distribution or specific course substitute).

3. If you cannot approve a course, please indicate this in the "Course Approval" column.

4. Return the form to the student.

5. SU OFFICIALS: Please lift any advising hold!
COURSE REQUEST FORM - SU BEIJING SPRING 2015
Complete and return to the SU Abroad office no later than November ____

Student's Name_________________________________ SUID #________________________  Grad. Date______________

Home College___________________________________ Major(s)____________________ Minor ______________

Students and School Officials: Please refer to the instructions before completing this form.

• Undergrads are required to study Chinese language and should obtain approval for the appropriate-level language course.
• List six other courses, in order of priority (#1 should be the course you’re most interested in taking). When a course has more than one section, specify the section #.
• Please return this form even if you cannot obtain the signed course approvals, but be sure to talk to your advisor about which courses you may take and how they will count toward your degree program.

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Except where otherwise noted, all courses are approved to meet degree requirements as indicated above.

SCHOOL OFFICIAL SIGNATURE: (SU Officials: Please lift any advising hold!)

Signature of School Official ___________________________ Print Name and Title ___________________________

Email ___________________________ Telephone No. ______________ Fax No. ______________ Date ____________