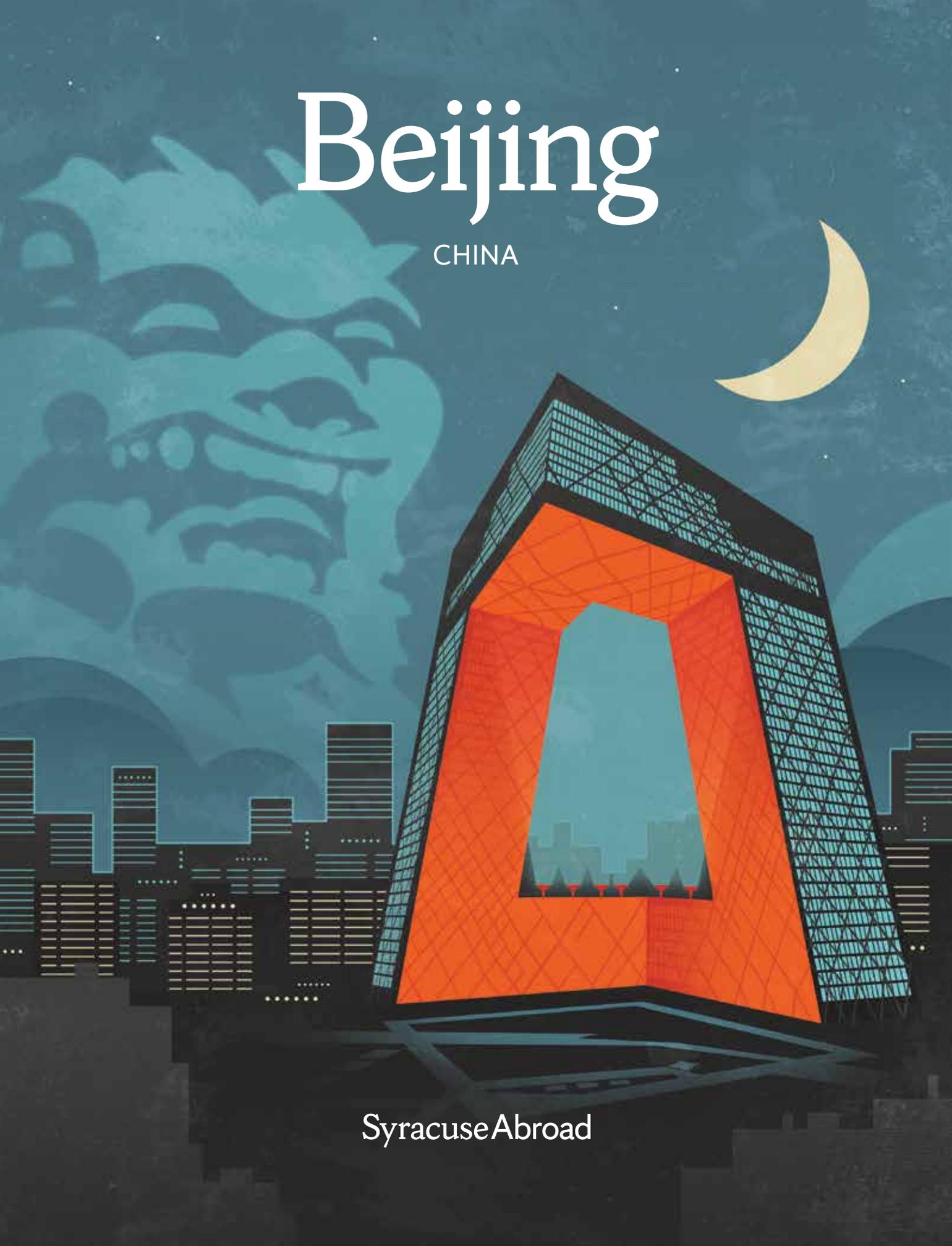


# Beijing

CHINA



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# Imagine the world differently.

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# Begin your semester with an unforgettable traveling seminar

**EXPERIENCE** a new way of learning—on the move, observing, reading, and writing, all in close conversation with faculty and fellow students

**GAIN** firsthand knowledge of the region of the world you will be living in

**LEARN** about histories, cultures, and politics in comparative ways

**MEET** local politicians, academics, and activists



## **The Other China: Ethnic Minorities, Development, and the Environment**

PSC/GEO/IRP 300.1 (3 credits)

**In the fall**, travel to Yunnan and Sichuan provinces in southwest China to learn how globalization is impacting indigenous cultures and their environment. Hike to a village in the mountains; interact with Bai, Naxi, and Tibetan ethnic groups; visit the Stone Forest; and observe dozens of pandas as they rest and play in a reserve.



## **China: Past, Present, and Future**

PSC 400.1 (3 credits)

**In the spring**, travel to China's ancient capital of Xi'an, to historic Nanjing, and to the global city of Shanghai to understand the complexities of this rising superpower. Visit the first emperor's underground army, bike a 600-year-old city wall, and learn about sustainable urban planning and green technology.

# Syracuse University Beijing



**The Syracuse Beijing program** is located on the campus of Tsinghua University. You'll love exploring the quieter corners of campus—part of the property used to be the imperial gardens of the Qing dynasty.

# Choosing your curriculum

## Start building your course schedule:

### Courses taught in English

Enroll in two to three courses taught in English at the Syracuse Beijing Center. If you have a strong academic record and appropriate background, you may also take one or two selected courses taught in English at the School of Economics and Management at Tsinghua University, often referred to as the “MIT of China.”

## To complete your schedule, select among the following academic options:

### Intensive Mandarin track

Study language intensively alongside other international students when you enroll in Tsinghua University’s Mandarin language program. Eight different levels of Mandarin instruction are offered, including classes for beginners. You can register for up to 10 credits of language courses, including beginner level.

### Non-intensive Mandarin track

If you prefer a non-intensive language course, you may choose to take Mandarin 101 at the Syracuse Beijing Center. This option is designed for students seeking a more flexible classroom schedule to accommodate an internship or non-language courses during their semester in Beijing.

### Courses taught in Chinese

Enroll in up to two Tsinghua University courses taught in Chinese. This option is appropriate for students with advanced oral and written proficiency in Mandarin.

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## Select courses in

Chinese culture

Economics

Geography

History

Intensive Chinese language (Mandarin)

Management

Political science



Tsinghua University was named the second-best university in China by *U.S. News & World Report*

“China is fun! There’s a music scene offering jazz, punk rock, hip-hop, funk, electronic, and indie bands almost any night of the week, and there is also a growing number of comedy clubs and literary festivals.”

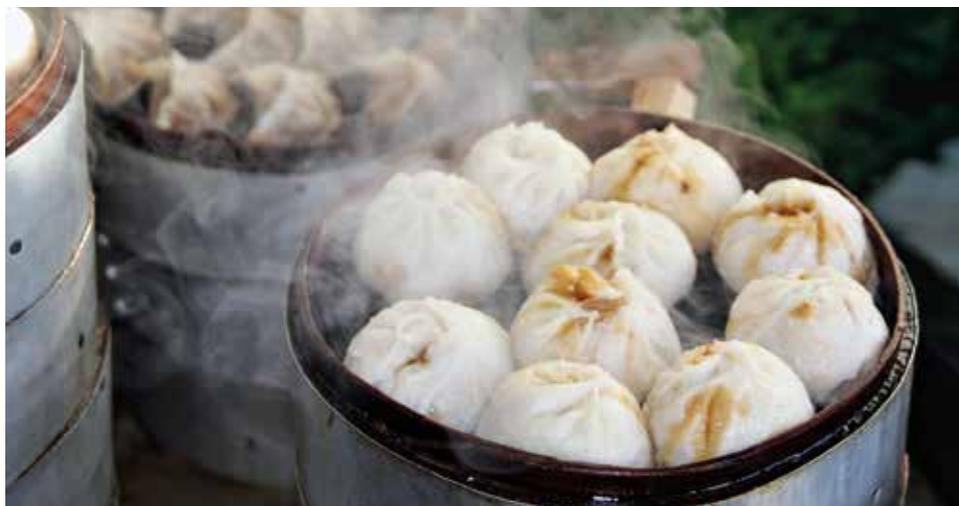
**Melissa Mangan**

*Education major, DePaul University, Class of 2014*



**Take a trip** to 798 Art District in Beijing! It’s a complex of 50-year-old military factory buildings that is home to a thriving artistic community.

# Living in Beijing



**You'll live in** an international student residence hall on Tsinghua University's campus. All rooms are small singles with private bathrooms. The campus has wireless Internet access.

At Tsinghua, you will have access to the same facilities as local students—a library, health clinic, student lounges, swimming pools, and recreational/gym facilities. All students pay a small “per use” fee for some of these facilities—including the health clinic and the gym. For meals, you can eat at any of the inexpensive dining halls on campus, and there are many other choices just off campus.

Tsinghua is located in the vibrant Haidian district in northwestern Beijing, an area filled with universities and high-tech industries. The campus is only one bus stop from a buzzing commercial center featuring hundreds of shops, cuisines from all over the world, coffee shops, and hangouts favored by ex-pats and Chinese alike. The Summer Palace is nearby, as are the Fragrant Hills and the Beijing Botanical Garden, giving you plenty of options for exploring on your days off.

## GOOD TO KNOW

**Living in China** is inexpensive! Food, goods, and the cost of living are much lower than you're used to in the States!

**Beijing is famous** for its street food. Kebabs, candied fruit, and hot and spicy shrimp are sold alongside more adventuresome options, like fried scorpions.

**Celebrate Chinese holidays** while you're in Beijing! The Dragon Boat Festival, Chinese New Year, and the Lantern Festival are just a few to take part in.

**All students are met** at the Beijing airport by a Syracuse Beijing representative.

**The local subway stop** is easily accessible from the Tsinghua campus and connects to multiple lines throughout the city.

“I was able to intern as a reporter in the Chinese government’s official news agency, China.org.cn. Through my journalistic work, China Daily, another official news agency, invited me to be one of its keynote speakers for its 35th anniversary.”

**Phoebe Sudargo**

*Public relations and international relations double major, Syracuse University, Class of 2017*



# Jump-starting your career

**Consider a hands-on learning experience**, if your schedule allows time each week to commit to an internship. Placements in Beijing include Chinese NGOs, English-language publications, human service organizations, and various opportunities to teach English.

You may also consider participating in a noncredit community engagement activity, such as assisting with special activities at a vocational school for migrant families on a short-term or one-time basis.

## Summer internships

Summer internships are available for Beijing spring semester students seeking full-time internships in a discipline related to their major. You have the option of extending your stay into the summer with an eight-week, 3-credit internship in Shanghai. The summer internship program entails an additional fee.

### REPRESENTATIVE INTERNSHIPS

BN Vocational School

Chi Heng Foundation

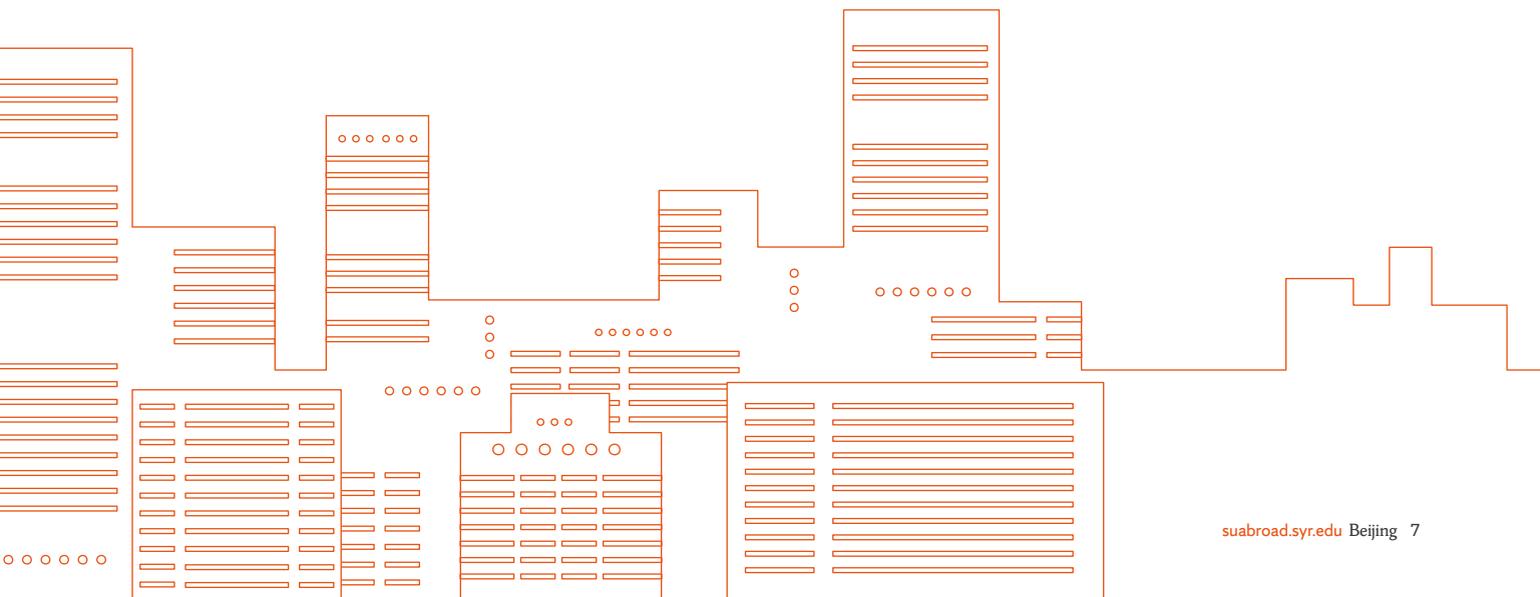
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“Volunteering at BN Vocational School while I was in Beijing was something I looked forward to every week. Being able to make a difference in the lives of these students by volunteering to help them learn English was an experience I will never forget. It helped me realize how much I really wanted to go into a profession involving education.”

**Elizabeth Quezada**

*English and textual studies major, Syracuse University, Class of 2017*



**Witness history-making first hand**—no country has ever experienced fundamental changes at such a speed and scale. In only three decades, China has transformed from an agricultural society to an industrial and Internet-driven one, has rivaled the United States for importance in world affairs, and has undergone the fastest urbanization in human history, with 300 million people emigrating from villages to cities.

# Maximizing your experience

A **well-rounded** study abroad experience goes beyond the classroom. The cocurricular activity program allows you to enjoy Beijing's culture alongside your classmates.

## On campus

You'll interact with the brightest students from across China and take advantage of the on-campus museum, art gallery, theater, sports, and hundreds of student organizations. Enjoy monthly group dinners to catch up with your fellow students, share your experiences, and taste the variety of Chinese food. You also have the chance to propose your own ideas for intercultural engagement and learning!

## In Beijing

Enjoy the dynamic life of one of the world's biggest cities. Visit museums, theaters, art galleries, music concerts, parks, restaurants, and much more.

## In China

China is a vast country with endless opportunities for exciting travel. Visit painted Buddhist caves, ride a camel in the Gobi Desert, hike among trails of spectacular rock formations and twisted pines, or sip tea at the famous Yu Yuan teahouses of Shanghai. With the country's large territory and geographical and cultural differences, traveling throughout China is like visiting many countries at once. Bullet trains and flights to almost all cities in the region make travel easy and affordable.

## FIELD TRIPS AND TOURS

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### Beijing City Planning

**Museum:** View the scale and layout of the capital city, including a model with future development plans

### The Forbidden City:

See where Chinese emperors ruled and lived for over 600 years

### Confucian temple and

**old Hutong area:** Traditional houses and streets give you a peek into China's past

### The Summer Palace:

Walk in the long corridor painted with stories of legendary and historical figures

### The Temple of Heaven:

Now a popular public park, it served as the primary ceremonial site where emperors prayed for fruitful harvests

### Yonghegong:

The Tibetan Buddhist Lama Temple near the city center

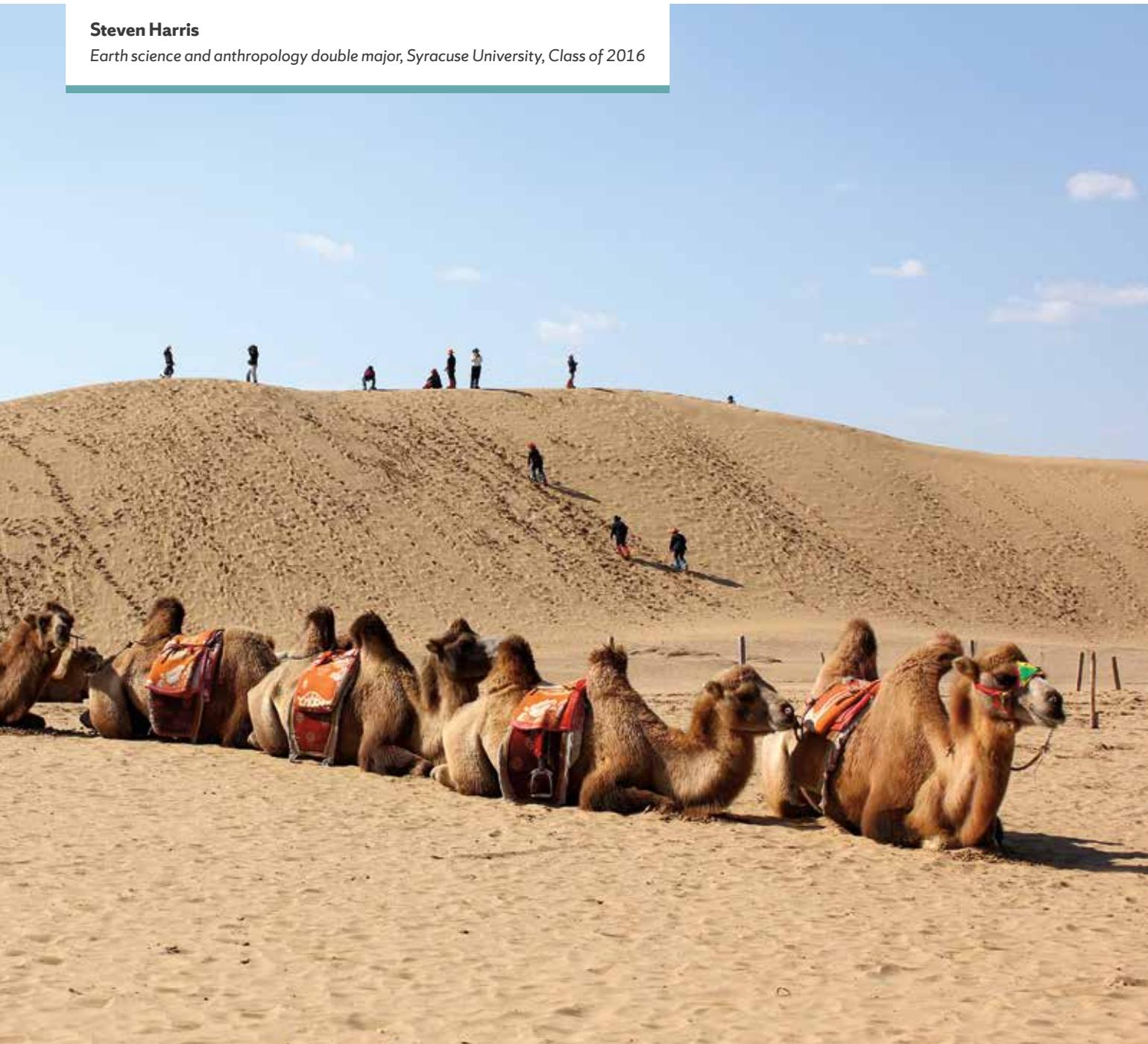
### Olympic Stadium and Park:

The site of the 2008 Olympic Games; now open space enjoyed by city residents

“The last weekend I had in China, I went to Inner Mongolia with eight of my friends. From singing karaoke to eating street food, those four days made me feel like I was on top of the world. For the first time in my life, I was part of something bigger than myself. Even months after my time in China, I still can’t stop reminiscing about the experiences I had there. It really was the best time of my life.”

**Steven Harris**

*Earth science and anthropology double major, Syracuse University, Class of 2016*



# Making study abroad affordable

**A study abroad experience** is within your reach. Start by reviewing these affordability basics, followed by specific lists of funding resources based on your status as a Syracuse University or visiting student:

- Student aid is based on the total cost of the program you are attending
- You will keep your institutional aid when studying on a Syracuse Abroad program
- You may be eligible for a need-based grant based on your completed FAFSA and CSS Profile
- You may combine need-based grants with loans and other federal aid to cover the total cost of the abroad program
- When the academic calendars of local universities extend beyond that of the Syracuse Center, the program fee is increased to cover additional room and board costs

## For SU students

### Need-based grants

Grants are awarded by the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarship Programs based on need, which is determined by your CSS Profile.

### Named scholarships

Friends of the University have made generous contributions that enable us to award scholarships for specific study abroad experiences for SU undergraduate students.

### Fall-only supplemental aid

Up to 10% supplemental aid is available, based on the previous semester's aid and need level for students who study abroad in the fall semester.

### Plane ticket loan program

The Syracuse Abroad plane ticket loan program allows students who are fully funded with financial aid to apply their financial aid funds toward the purchase of their plane ticket abroad.

## For visiting students

### Merit-based scholarships

Eligible visiting semester program students with a GPA of 3.0-3.69 will receive a \$600 scholarship. Any student with a 3.70 or above will receive a scholarship of \$1,000. The scholarship is automatic, based on cumulative GPA as reported at the time of application to the program.

### Need-based grants

Provide Syracuse with access to your FAFSA for financial need review by logging in to your FAFSA account online and adding Syracuse University (code 002882).

### Tuition grants

Awarded to students from partner institutions with an existing affiliation agreement in place. Contact Syracuse Abroad for more information.

### Continuation of existing financial aid

Verify with your home school the continuation of existing financial aid. Have your school complete a Financial Aid Transfer Form.

# Feeling safe and supported



The Syracuse Beijing program is small and intimate, so you'll form close bonds with students and staff members.

## In Beijing

Program faculty include Dr. Caroline Tong of Syracuse University's Maxwell School and professors from Tsinghua and Peking universities, including several who received their doctoral degrees from Syracuse. Dr. Tong received her Ph.D. from Syracuse University and has been the Beijing Center director since 2006. Dr. Tong has lived and studied in both the United States and China for years, and she will be with you as you explore the many facets of the country. She teaches both the fall and spring Signature Seminars and will be your intellectual guide throughout your semester in Beijing.



Dr. Tong, Syracuse Beijing Center Director

## In Syracuse

Syracuse Abroad is committed to providing a safe, caring, and enriching experience abroad. Bridget Demorest, assistant director for student services, works diligently and compassionately to provide you and your parents with the resources you may need to thrive abroad—from health and wellness preparation to adjustment questions, from academic accommodations to safety or cultural concerns.



Bridget Demorest, Assistant Director, Student Services

## Minimum GPA requirements

Syracuse Beijing Center: **2.5**

Tsinghua University courses: **3.0**

## Deadlines

Fall semester: **March 15**

Spring semester: **October 1**

Summer: **February 10**

## For more information

For complete admissions criteria and application instructions, visit [suabroad.syr.edu](http://suabroad.syr.edu).

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