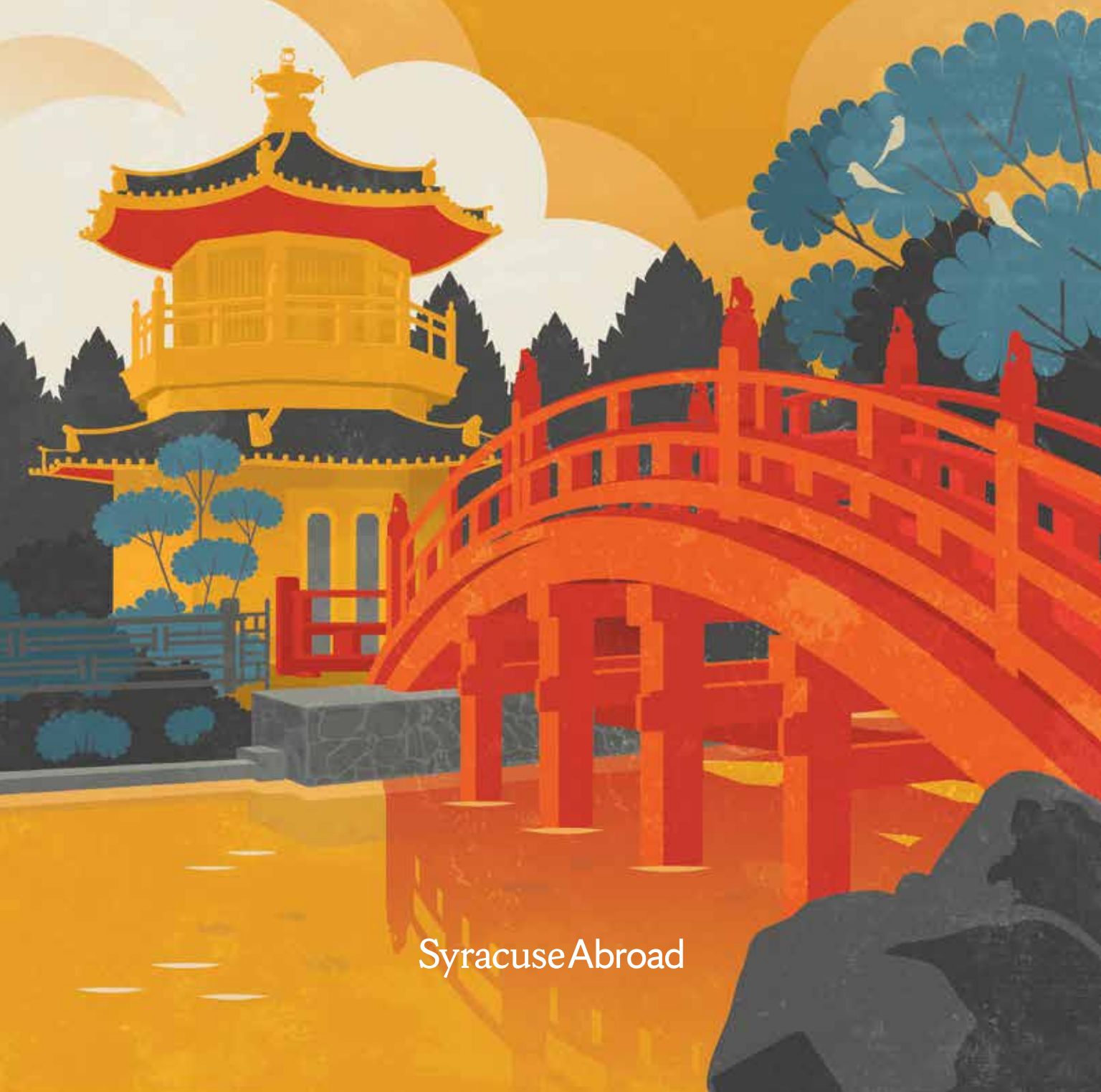


# Hong Kong

CHINA



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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 Challenges and Opportunities of Southeast Asia**

HST 400.1/IRP 300.1 required for Hong Kong Center students (3 credits); optional for CityU students (2 credits)

**In the fall**, travel to Beijing; Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; and Singapore and visit prominent financial and historic sites to learn about the rising economic and political influence of these nations. You'll explore Confucianism, Taoism, and Islam to understand the effect of the region's major religions on business, art, and culture.



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

HUM/IRP 300.2 required for Hong Kong Center students (3 credits); not offered to CityU students

**In the spring**, travel to Xi'an, Beijing, and Taipei to visit monuments of the past, such as the Great Wall, and signposts to the future, such as massive investments in modern airports and roads. You'll learn from distinguished academics, foreign correspondents, and leading businesspeople about the history, culture, and aspirations of China.

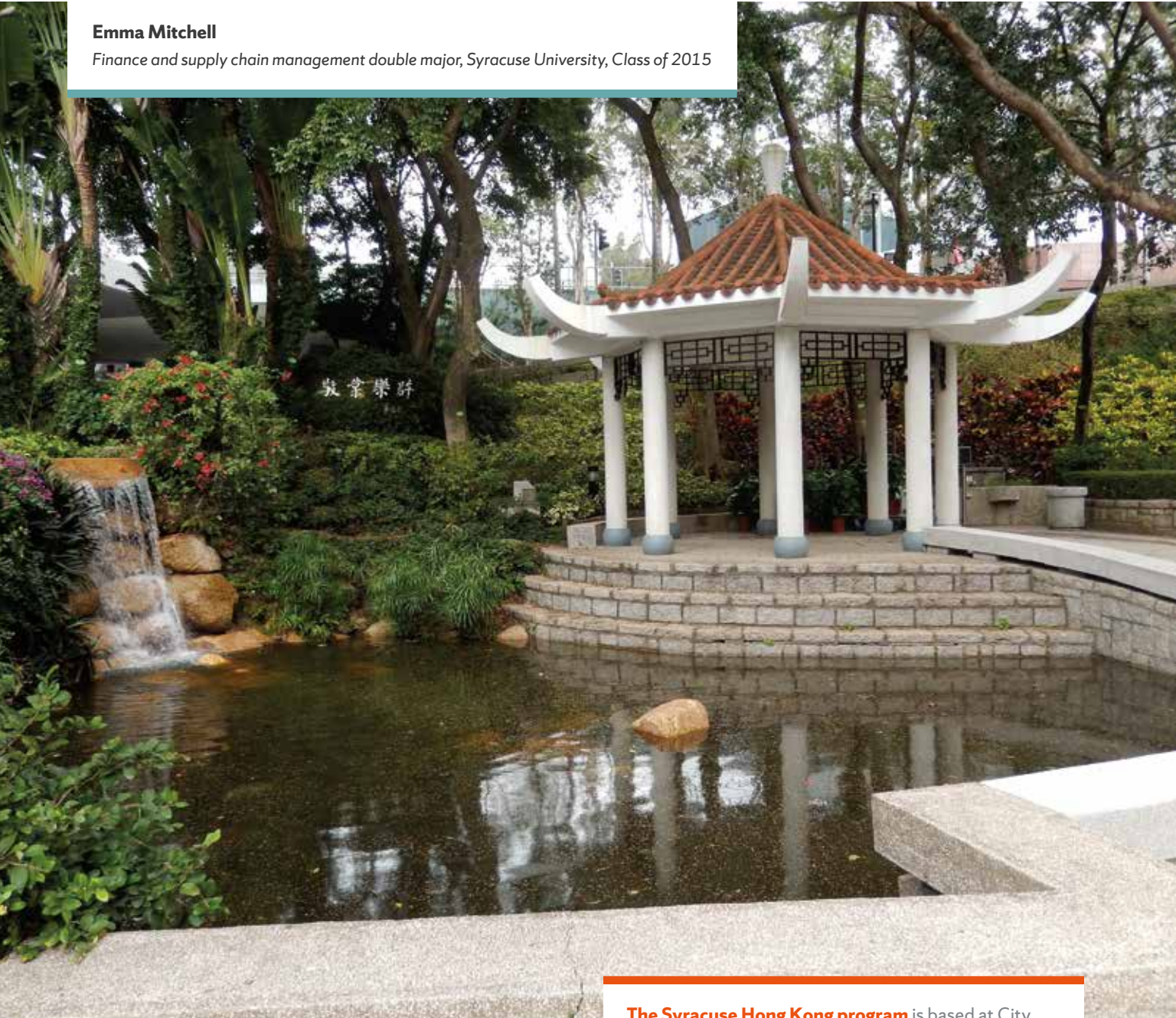
# Syracuse University Hong Kong



“The Signature Seminar was an unforgettable experience for me. It was split between classroom lectures, guest speakers, and hands-on visits to historical sites. The speakers were incredibly valuable, because they had interesting perspectives and insights into real issues that China faces today.”

**Emma Mitchell**

*Finance and supply chain management double major, Syracuse University, Class of 2015*



**The Syracuse Hong Kong program** is based at City University of Hong Kong. The campus is located in Kowloon, only a few minutes' walk from the Mass Transit Railway (MTR), so you'll have an easy commute from your apartment.

# Choosing your curriculum

**The Syracuse Hong Kong program** features two distinct options: studying at the Syracuse Center or full enrollment at City University of Hong Kong. Whichever you choose, you'll enjoy the support of administrative staff at the Syracuse Center and participate in activities designed to augment the classroom experience.

**When you apply, you'll choose one of two options:**

## Hong Kong Center

The Syracuse Center program divides the semester into three modules, each a vital part of your abroad education. This option is for students looking for field study and an intensive internship or independent research experience.

**Module A:** Two weeks long. The semester begins with the 3-credit traveling Signature Seminar (see page 1 for more information).

**Module B:** Ten weeks long. Choose three to five courses offered at the Syracuse Center. If you have no prior knowledge of Chinese language, you will take at least one language class (either Mandarin or Cantonese), but there is no foreign language prerequisite.

**Module C:** Five weeks long. Intensive 3-credit internship or independent study experience. Students applying to intern with one of the Center's partner companies must have a 3.0 GPA.

## Hong Kong Center & City University of Hong Kong

Enroll in four or five courses taught in English at CityU alongside Chinese students. Courses are offered in management, business, humanities, and social sciences. There is no internship component. This option is popular among students who prefer a more independent and immersive experience.

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## Select courses in

**Business**

**Humanities**

**Management**

**Political science**

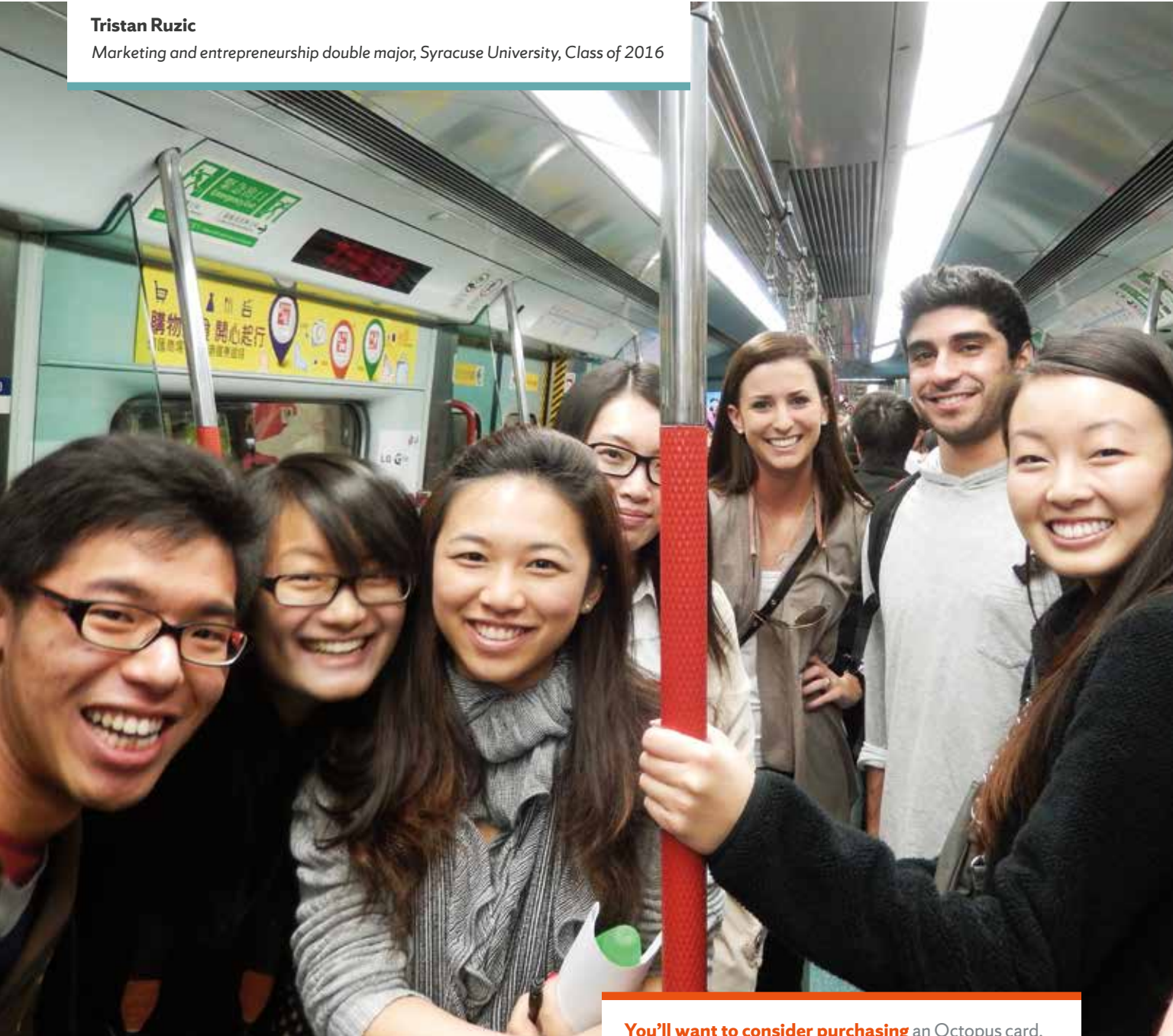
**Southeast and  
East Asian studies**



“I was pretty naive when I first arrived. I thought Hong Kong was just another New York City in Asia. I have never been so wrong. I had expected the big buildings and skyscrapers, but the magnificent beaches, and the outrageous hiking, bike riding, and boating were all news to me. I was happily surprised.”

**Tristan Ruzic**

Marketing and entrepreneurship double major, Syracuse University, Class of 2016



**You'll want to consider purchasing** an Octopus card, an electronic debit card that is accepted on public transportation, and by shops, supermarkets, universities, fast food restaurants, and convenience stores.

# Living in Hong Kong



**Hong Kong** is one of the world's most dynamic cities and boasts an abundance of cultural resources and entertainment venues, including museums, theaters, art galleries, and restaurants. During your stay, you'll live and travel like a local. If you've enrolled in the CityU program, you may live right on campus in a residence hall. Everyone has access to CityU facilities, which include a sports complex, pool, and library. You can grab inexpensive meals at one of CityU's four cafeterias or at local restaurants or noodle shops.

## Grand Blossom House

Students enrolled in the Syracuse Center program live in Grand Blossom House, where you'll reside in shared apartments in the Hung Hom district, just a short commute away from classes. The apartments have three bedrooms, two bathrooms, and a living room, and include a kitchenette, television, and Wi-Fi.

## GOOD TO KNOW

**Cantonese cuisine** is diverse, so you'll have a lot of choices. A popular option is dim sum, a sampling of bite-sized foods served in steamer baskets.

**Hong Kong's economy** is enormous: The city is home to more than 40,000 companies.

**More than 70 percent** of Hong Kong is woodland, grass, and beaches. It's easy (and inexpensive) to travel, so you'll want to explore beyond the city!

**Expect warm temperatures** in Hong Kong all year! Average high temperatures range from 74°F in January to 93°F in August.

**Buildings** in Hong Kong sometimes lack any floor number with a four in it, because of its similarity to the word for "die" in Cantonese.



“I interned with a fashion company, and it was an experience that changed my life. Being able to actually work in an office in Hong Kong taught me so much. It was fun, as I was able to assist my supervisor on photoshoots around the city. I even got to pose in a few photos for social media!”

**Allison Clark**

*Public relations major, Syracuse University, Class of 2018*





# Jump-starting your career

**If you've enrolled** in the Hong Kong Center program, the final five weeks of your semester will be spent pursuing professional experiences—through a full-time internship or a structured research project.

## Internships

These internships will allow you to build your professional network and add an eye-catching international experience to your résumé. Just like a real job search, after applications are received, the companies select and invite candidates for an interview. While internship placements with the Center's partner companies are competitive and not guaranteed, you are invited to draw on the Center staff's experience and familiarity with the city to pursue your own internship opportunities. All internships are at least 40 hours a week for 3 credits.

## Independent study/guided research

Take five weeks and dive deep into a topic you're passionate about. With the help of faculty and professionals, take advantage of resources across Southeast Asia to conduct on-site research (e.g., interviews, surveys, library archives). You'll cap off your research with a paper and a presentation to Syracuse Hong Kong faculty.

### REPRESENTATIVE INTERNSHIPS

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#### **Retail management**

internships at Amenpapa Limited

#### **Human rights** internships

at Amnesty International

#### **Public relations** internships

at Edelman Hong Kong

#### **Law** internships at

Mayer Brown JSM

#### **Sustainability studies**

internships at Business Environment Council

#### **Finance** internships at Friends

Provident International

### REPRESENTATIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS

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"History of Filmmaking in Hong Kong"

"Personal Entrepreneurship in Hong Kong"

"Hong Kong Tourism and the Hotel Industry"

"Tibetan-Chinese Relations: Past and Present"

"Golf Course Design and Development in Mainland China"

"The Role of Women in Southeast Asian Islamic Countries"

“The most valuable experiences were the moments I shared with my classmates traveling outside of Hong Kong, celebrating Chinese and U.S. holidays, and discovering ourselves in the process. I learned about myself and how to live on my own, but also about the world and the beauty in culture and people.”

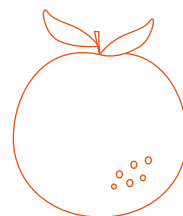
**Claire Griffith**

*International studies and geography double major, DePaul University, Class of 2017*





# Maximizing your experience



Walk through special Lunar New Year markets, and also enjoy parades and fireworks. At the market, be sure to get a miniature orange tree for luck and prosperity in the new year!

## In Hong Kong

A well-rounded study abroad experience goes beyond the classroom. The cocurricular activity program allows you to experience Hong Kong's culture alongside your classmates. Keep an eye out for:

### Chinese calligraphy lessons

Understand Chinese calligraphy and painting culture, learn how to write characters in Chinese brush and ink, and draw a simple traditional Chinese painting.

### English-Cantonese conversation exchange

Practice Cantonese in conversations with local students. You'll find out more about the lives, language, and culture of your Hong Kong peers.

## Field trips

Take trips to local museums, explore the heritage of Taoism, Buddhism, and Confucianism, and visit cultural and religious sites in rural and urban districts to observe how Chinese heritage and memory are defined, created, and displayed.

“I was so impressed by how helpful Syracuse Abroad was when I was looking into scholarships. I walked into their office looking for a few opportunities and left with two double-sided sheets of paper. They go above and beyond to ensure that students have resources available to help them study abroad, no matter what their financial needs are.”

**Kristen Unangst**

*Supply chain management and finance double major, Syracuse University, Class of 2018*





# 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

## 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 into your FAFSA account online and adding Syracuse University (code 002882).

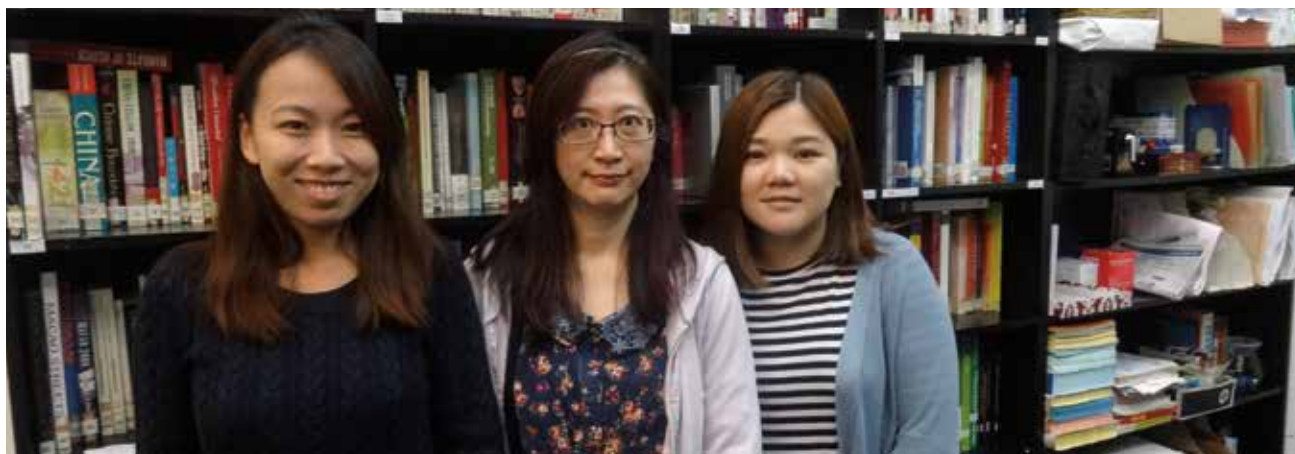
### Tuition grants

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



(from l-r) Syracuse Hong Kong staff members Julion Lam, Josette Li, and Iris Shum will be available to help throughout your semester in Hong Kong.

## In Hong Kong

The Syracuse Hong Kong Center is led by Dr. Aleksandra Thurman. Dr. Thurman and the center staff are available to help with all of your academic, social, and cultural needs. Throughout the semester, they'll organize field trips and other activities, often inviting local Chinese students to participate. Dr. Thurman joined the Hong Kong staff in 2017, bringing with her years of experience living, working, and studying in Asia and Europe. She earned her Ph.D. in political science from the University of Michigan in 2010.



Dr. Thurman, Syracuse Hong Kong 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 Hong Kong Center: **2.5**

Internship eligibility: **3.0**

CityU: **3.0**

## Deadlines

Fall semester: **March 15**

Spring semester: **October 1**

## For more information


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


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