CIUC’s Chinese Cultural Camp 2020

The Chinese Cultural Camp is an annual project sponsored by the Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban) and organised by the Confucius Institute at the University of Canterbury. The goal of the camp is to improve the participants’ understanding of Chinese culture and their Chinese language proficiency and skills.

**Dates:** Sunday 12 April 2020 – Sunday 26 April 2020

**Province or City to Visit:** Students will visit Beijing and Wuhan in China.

**Activities:** All planning and logistics are handled by the New Zealand Confucius Institutes and Hanban, allowing for a fun and easy trip. The programme will include Chinese language classes, cultural workshops, as well as trips around the local areas. Students will have the chance to interact with Chinese high school students and their families and get a glimpse into everyday Chinese life.

**Expectations:** All students will participate fully in the programme and submit a report within a fortnight of their return on their experience in China.

**Programme Costs:** All in-China expenses, including accommodation, tuition, domestic transportation, sightseeing activities and meals will be covered by Confucius Institute Headquarters (Hanban).

Students are required to purchase a return international airline ticket (and connecting domestic travel if required), international travel insurance and entry visa. A $250.00 application fee is also required that will contribute towards the cost of administration and accompanying adults. The application fee will be refunded if the application is unsuccessful.

The Confucius Institute at University of Canterbury will organise group flights and the visa application processing for students.

**Application Eligibility:** This programme is open to Year 10 - 13 students who are above the age of 15 only, who are New Zealand citizens and non-native speakers of Mandarin and who are currently studying Chinese at a New Zealand high school (for at least 30 hours) and have participated in the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK) and have no previous study experience in China.
To apply for the programme, students are to complete and submit the application form including all supporting materials and the $250 application fee.

The Confucius Institute at University of Canterbury and Hanban will make the final decision on student selection and will notify all students of the results of the application process.

Accompanying adults will escort the group to and from China and will remain with them throughout the duration of the programme.

**Application check list:**

- Completed and signed application form
- Short essay on the reasons for participating in the Summer Camp including any previous learning experiences on Chinese culture, language or perspectives (maximum 250 words)
- Two passport photos for the Chinese visa application (ACTUAL photo)
- $250.00 application fee. The school needs to collect the application fees from all participating students and then make ONE PAYMENT to the Confucius Institute. Cheques should be made out to the University of Canterbury. The application fee will only be refunded if the application is unsuccessful.
- A photocopy of the information page of your passport. (Your passport needs to have at least 6 months’ before the expiry date on your arrival in China.)
- A HSK/YCT result.

All materials must be submitted to the Confucius Institute at University of Canterbury by 5pm Friday 8 November, 2019.

Applications can be submitted by email (with the subject of “Chinese Cultural Camp 2020”) to

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