Nankai University
Belt & Road Initiative
Summer School

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Nankai University

Founded in 1919, Nankai University is one of the oldest and most well-respected public universities in China, and is a key multidisciplinary and research-oriented university. Located in the bustling port city of Tianjin, Nankai University is in a hub of economic activity and international trade. Up to now, Nankai University received around 3,000 overseas students from more than 90 countries. Nankai University had developed cooperative relationships with 300 universities and research institutes from about 40 countries.

Fascinating Tianjin

Tianjin is the third largest city in China and one of four cities under the direct jurisdiction of the central government of the People’s Republic of China. Located only 30 minutes from Beijing by bullet train, Tianjin is not only the economic center of northern China, but also an international trading port and a leader in ecological development.
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Nankai Belt & Road Initiative Summer School is an international short-term study program that provides students with the opportunity to get to know something about modern China. Also international students could experience Chinese language culture by enjoying lecture in the related topics like Chinese Economy, Chinese Society, etc., at one of the China’s top universities.

The program allows students to explore Chinese culture and concepts, which combines credits courses and professional development with Chinese language training, culture studies, relaxation and fun. Four weeks in one of China’s most energetic sea-port cities may inspire students to plane for future and seek more opportunities.

Courses

Summer School is going to run for four weeks. Courses taught in English by Nankai University professors, will cover a series of interdisciplinary topics like Chinese Economics, Business, History, Society, Law and Public Policy, etc. Chinese language training and culture studies (Tai Chi, Chinese Paper Cutting and Folk Music, etc.) will also be included. In addition, field trip will be arranged for participants to experience traditional Chinese culture and explore the unique concepts and perspectives on the variety of China.
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### Timetable

#### Week 1&Week 2
- Doing Business in China
- Chinese Language Training and Cultural Class
- Field trips (weekends)

#### Week 3&Week 4
- Belt & Road Initiative and China’s Economic Development
- Chinese Language Training and Cultural Class
- Field trips (weekends)
Accommodation

Nankai University will host the international students accommodation according to Summer School arrangement.

Costs

The program has been designated to minimize extra costs after arriving in China. The program fee of RMB 10,000.00 covers most expenses, including tuition fee, cultural classes, accommodation and field trips. Please note: students will be responsible for their own cost of transportations and catering, study materials, insurance, etc.

Field Trip

We will arrange field trip each week to help students better understand Chinese history, society, culture. (Haihe Cultural Square, Tianjin Italian Style Street, Tianjin Museum, Tianjin Cultural Center, etc.)
Haihe Cultural Square

Haihe Cultural Square, one of the key overall development and reconstruction projects along the Haihe River, is the main ceremony venue of the 600th anniversary celebrations for establishment of Tianjin city. Haihe Cultural Square lies between Lions Bridge and Jintang Bridge, and is adjacent to Ancient Cultural Street. The project is divided into two parts: one is a large platform which is above the water, and the other part is a large platform at the top of a sunken road, including the pavement between Ancient Cultural Street and the sunken road. The height difference between the two platforms that are connected by stairs is 3.5m. The whole square presents a structure of cascading platforms. Focusing on cultural traditions and folk customs of Tianjin, the designer endowed the square with a style of solemnity and simplicity. Meanwhile, modern elements are also seen in the design. Set off by the Ancient Cultural Street, combined with modern architectural style, and making full use of landscape lighting effects, the square has achieved both historical and cultural innovation. The project ranks first in China in high-tech lighting techniques, the causeway pavement and the wooden floor, which make the square a shining pearl of the Haihe River bank.

Tianjin Italian Style Street

Tianjin Italian Style Street, as a comprehensive multi-function complex incorporating tourism, trade, recreation, entertainment and cultural exposition, reflects a rich Italian style. In the early 20th century, there were eight countries setting up concessions in Tianjin. Foreigners built a lot of European-style buildings for business and residence. The place where the Italian Concession was situated is between Bei’ an Bridge and Tianjin Railway Station. Designs of these buildings were demanded to be based on the styles of Italian villas, and similar designing along the street were not allowed. Development and construction of the Italian style area have taken full advantage of the unique historical and cultural resources. There are nearly 200 intact European-style buildings with authentic flavors and long history. It is the largest collection of Italian style buildings outside Italy. Liang Qichao, Cao Yu, Zhang Ting-e, Cao Kun, Yuan Shikai, Zeng Guofan family, Feng Guozhang, Hong Yi, Tang Yulin, and many other celebrities used to live there before.
Huaming Town

Huaming Town, located between the downtown area and the “Tianjin Binhai New Area”, covering a total area of 150.6 square kilometers, accounts for about one-third of Dongli District. The town has over 15 villages, with more than 50 thousand residents. The town links with “the Tianjin Binhai New Area” in the east, next to central area of Tianjin City in the west, to the south is “Tianjin Binhai International Airport”, and to the north it is accessible to the three provinces of northeast China. Comprehensive transport facilities make the town an important hub for downtown Tianjin to connect with Tianjin Binhai New Area, Binhai International Airport, the capital city Beijing as well as Northeast China.

In recent years, the overall economy in Huaming Town has grown quickly, and the quality of people’s life has been improved. Social undertakings have coordinately developed. Aquaculture species, storage and transportation, municipal facilities, earthworks are its traditional industries, and the “Tianjin Airport Logistics Processing Zone” (now renamed the Airport Economic Zone) which covers 40 square kilometers has been settled in Huaming Town. Huaming Town is rich in tourism and geothermal resources, possessing the seventh largest wetlands of Tianjin. One of the top ten tourist attractions of Tianjin “Dongli Lake Hot Spring Tourism Zone” and “Tianjin International Hot Spring Golf Club “ have constituted a novel unique modern recreation spot. Soft wind and vast water in the tranquil and beautiful surroundings, and all those have created a favorable investment and living environment.

Tianjin Museum

The Tianjin Museum is a comprehensive art and history museum featuring collections of historical and artistic relics. In 2004, the merger of the original Art Museum and History Museum formed the Tianjin Museum. It’s formerly known as Tianjin Museum Academy which was founded in 1918. The museum houses 200,000 collections, including calligraphy, paintings, bronzes, chinaware, jade, seals, ink slabs, oracle bones, ancient coins, historical documents, modern relics and folk crafts and has all types of nearly 200,000 books. Since the end of 2007, visiting has been free of charge and I 2008 it was classified as the “National First-grade Museum”. It is a national youth patriotism education base. It locates in the Cultural Center, Hexi District, in the road junction between Yuexiu Road and Pingjiang road. It is a large-scale comprehensive museum which displays the development of the ancient art and the city of Tianjin.

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Tianjin Cultural Center

Tianjin Cultural Center occupies a total area of about 900,000 square meters, which includes Tianjin Library, Tianjin Museum, Tianjin Grand Theatre, Tianjin Youth Activity Center, Tianjin Galaxy Mall, and the Ecological Island. Tianjin Cultural Center was put into use in May 2012. Tianjin Cultural Center is the project planned and constructed by Tianjin municipal government aiming to improve the city’s overall strength and influence. The Center adapts to rapid economic and social development, reflects the position of urban development, improves the cultural function of the city, utilizes and integrates the existing cultural resources, and satisfies the cultural needs of the people. Tianjin cultural center is the largest public cultural facilities, united public cultural venues, city parks, public recreation centers, youth activity park as a whole. It is not only the most concentrated area for cultural display, communication, leisure and consumption, but also the largest cultural and leisure center around the nation.

Binhai New Area

Tianjin BinHai New Area (TBNA) is situated in the north of the North China Plain, at the junction of the Shandong and Liaodong peninsulas, close to Beijing and Tianjin. It is the center of Bohai rim, the state-level development Zone and State Comprehensive Reform and Experimental Area. With a total area of 2270 square kilometers TBNA is home to 2.48 million people. It is the gateway of opening up in northern China, the high-level manufacturing and R&D transformation base, the northern international shipping center and international logistics center, the livable ecological new city, known as “China’s third economic growth pole.” In 2005, Binhai New Area began to be integrated into the “Eleventh Five-Year” plan and the national development strategies as a state-level national new area which was supported and developed by the state. In 2010, Binhai New Area’s GDP reached 503.011 billion Yuan, exceeding the Pudong New Area, with a growth rate of 25.4%.
Located in the southern end of Tianjin Dongjiang Port shoreline, Tianjin Port International Cruise Terminal is the largest cruise terminal project in Tianjin Port history. The International Cruise Terminal consists of hydraulic dock, terminal building and equipment procurement and installation complex. The terminal building has one underground floor and five storeys. Adopting steel as the frame support structure, construction was completed in mid-September 2009. After the construction finishes, it will be able to dock the world’s largest cruise ship of 220,000 tons, with the designed capacity of 50 million annual tourists. After the establishment, it will not only enhance the city’s urban vector functions and improve the modern integrated transport system, but also make leisure and tourism industries in Tianjin bigger and stronger, while at the same time, strengthen Tianjin’s international position as a port city.

Airbus A320 Final Assembly Line (FAL)

Airbus A320 final assembly line in Tianjin is the first one located outside of Europe. Airbus A320 series aircraft assembly line is expected to invest 5 billion yuan, and taking into consideration of updating and purchasing new equipment and facilities, the total investment is estimated 8 billion to 10 billion yuan. By the end of 2010, four aircrafts are produced per month, reaching an annual output of 44. The number of the commercial aircrafts assembled in the first phase is 300. The project is divided into four parts: final assembly, painting, debugging, and testing. It is produced in accordance with Airbus standards and procedures for design and production. The product quality should meet with those from the European assembly line.
**Haihe Night Scenes**

Tianjin Haihe River runs through the downtown area. Outside the Tianjin Station is the cruise ship dock where you can go sightseeing on the boat in the Haihe River. Across the river from Tianjin Railway Station is the famous Jinwan Square. Haihe Bund Park is located at the shore of the Haihe River, where tour routes are available. Within the park there are 75-meter wide Water Gallery waterfall “Yong Chun Spring” and bronze sculptures named “Two dragons playing with a pearl” and “Nezha Conquering the Dragon King”. Many distinctive garden parks, such as the youth park, grass and flower garden, spring garden, rose garden and autumn garden, are situated in the right bank of Haihe. There are bridges of various descriptions built on the Haihe River, such as Lions Bridge, Jintang Bridge, Bei’an Bridge, the Liberation Bridge, Chifeng Bridge, Guangming Bridge, Liuzhuang Bridge, Guanghua Bridge etc.. In the 15 km waterway, more than twenty historical and cultural sites are exhibited.

Haihe River landscape begins from the Crossroads (San Cha Kou), and ends at Guangming Bridge, running across the bustling downtown of Tianjin. It is like a long scroll of scenic painting, but the most stunning moment is when dusk falls, the water flashes and flows quietly with shimmering and endless beauty. The colored lights from the banks, reflected in the river, floating like brilliant clouds, in slowly flowing water, and all those give rise to infinite reveries to life.