

# Introduction of Tianjin University Confucius Institute Scholarship for Four-Week Study Program

## I. Program Target

The Program aims to offer Confucius Institute students a valuable opportunity to visit China and experience Tianjin. Students will not only have a general study of Chinese language and Chinese culture, but will also experience the enjoyable environment through this program. Students will be impressed with the profound Chinese culture and the unique charm of Tianjin.

## II. Program Content

- **Chinese Language:** Everyday Chinese expressions are taught according to the students' Chinese language proficiency.
- **Cultural Experience:** Cultural courses include Chinese Calligraphy, Chinese Painting, Peking Opera Mask Painting, Chinese Paper Cutting, Seal Cutting, Chinese Knot, Tai-chi, Martial Arts etc.
- **Sightseeing Tours:** Visit Tianjin University Historical Museum, Tianjin Ancient Cultural Street, Nanshi Food Street, Five Avenue Scenic Zone, Tianjin Museum, Tianjin Cultural Center, Tianjin Folk Museum, Tianjin Water Park etc (Tianjin University will make arrangement according to the situation) .

## III. Course Content

Course Name	Course content
Chinese Course	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Reinforce new words and grammar study;</li><li>2. Students can use the new words and grammar in daily Chinese communication skillfully by combining teaching and practice together ;</li><li>3. Introduce Chinese traditional culture to the students so that students can have a preliminary understanding of Chinese culture.</li></ol>
Chinese Culture Lecture	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. An overview of Chinese culture;</li><li>2. Analysis of Chinese cultural elements (including the roots of Chinese Culture, ideological system, nation, architecture, food and other cultural content) ;</li><li>3. Cultural comparison between China and foreign countries.</li></ol>
Seal Cutting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Understand the Seal Cutting art;</li><li>2. Learn the basic techniques and operation process of Seal Cutting;</li><li>3. Students practice and complete Seal Cutting works .</li></ol>

Peking Opera Mask Painting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Understand the meaning of the mask painting;</li> <li>2. Learn the steps of painting, such as drawing lines, color, etc.;</li> <li>3. Students complete the work independently.</li> </ol>
Paper Cutting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Brief introduction of Chinese Paper Cutting;</li> <li>2. Introduction to the basic operation and tools of Paper Cutting;</li> <li>3. Demonstration of how to make a paper cutting;</li> <li>4. Students practice and complete a work.</li> </ol>
Chinese Calligraphy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Brief introduction to the history of Chinese Calligraphy&amp; Appreciation of the calligraphy;</li> <li>2. Introduce the tools and specifications of calligraphy ;</li> <li>3. Demonstration of the basic strokes, character practice of the regular script;</li> <li>4. Students practice and complete a work with the teacher's guide.</li> </ol>
Chinese Painting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introduction of the characteristics, classification and system of Chinese Painting;</li> <li>2. Introduce the Chinese painting tools, such as paper, brush, ink;</li> <li>3. Display of the painting and calligraphy works;</li> <li>4. Students practice and complete a work with the teacher's guide</li> </ol>
Tai Chi, Martial Arts	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introduce the basic knowledge of Tai chi or Martial Arts;</li> <li>2. Teachers shows the basic action;</li> <li>3. Necessary warm-up exercise under the teacher's leadership;</li> <li>4. Students learn the basic footwork, fist exercise ;</li> <li>5. Students practice the movement they have learned.</li> </ol>
Chinese Knot	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Understand the Chinese knot;</li> <li>2. Introduce the tools of Chinese knot,</li> <li>3. Demonstration of how to make a Chinese knot;</li> <li>4. Students practice and complete a work with the teacher's guide.</li> </ol>
Learning Chinese Songs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Appreciation of Chinese traditional and popular songs;</li> <li>2. The teacher demonstrate and teach to sing a Chinese song;</li> <li>3. Students practice and learn to sing the Chinese song with the teacher's guide.</li> </ol>

#### **IV. Introduction of Scenes in Tianjin Culture Tour**

##### **1. Tianjin University Historical Museum**

The history museum was rebuilt from the first teaching building of Tianjin University. To protect the original style and features of the old building, the school sets a glass antechamber outside the old building. Through the introduction of TJU time tunnel, visitors can see the important historical photos of the great

history of Tianjin University.

## 2. **Tianjin Ancient Culture Street, Tianjin Folk Museum**

Tianjin Ancient Culture Street with 600 years history, standing in the area of key section in upstream of the Haihe River, is located in Nankai district of Tianjin. Covering an area of 224,200 sq meters, it used to be one of earliest water transport docklands in Tianjin where is one of the busiest cities of commerce and trade in history. As a cultural precinct, Tianjin Ancient Culture Street is well known by the local and overseas tourists. Tianjin Folk Museum is located in the center of Ancient Culture Street, where you can see the traditional folk cultural relics of Tianjin.



## 3. **Tianjin Food Street**

Tianjin Food Street is the biggest food street in China. While tasting famous snacks from Tianjin, you can also savor the flavors of eight Chinese cuisines. All of these add to its high reputation as a food palace.

## 4. **Tianjin Museum**

The current Tianjin Museum can be traced back to a predecessor of the same name founded in 1918, making it one of the oldest museums in China. Over the past century the museum has amalgamated with numerous other museums and art galleries. Today the Tianjin Museum's diverse collection includes over 200,000 objects and a 200,000 volume library, making the museum an institution that melds culture and history. In 2008 it was recognized as a first-grade Chinese museum.



## 5. Five Avenue Scenic Zone

Five Avenue Scenic Zone, is famous for its five avenues, which includes Machangdao, Munandao, Dalidao, Chongqingdao and Chengdudao. There are altogether 22 roads with a total length of 17 kilometers and an area of 1.28 square kilometers. There are over 2,000 garden-style architectures built in 1920s and 1930s. There're also over 300 former residences of celebrities. It is globally recognized as the demonstration architectural zone in modern times.

## 6. Tianjin Water Park

Tianjin Water Park, previously known as “Green Dragon Pond”, is a park which can be traced to the beginning of the last century. It was named “Water Park” as there are 3 lakes and 11 small islands inside it. It is located in the southeast of Tianjin, and is the largest comprehensive park in Tianjin.



## V. Introduction of Tianjin

Tianjin is a metropolis in northern coastal China and one of the five national central cities of China, and is 120km away or 30 minutes by inter-city express train from Beijing, Capital of China. It is easy to get to and travel around. According to The Economist Intelligence Unit's Global Liveability Ranking in 2015, Tianjin is the most livable city in China and has been China's best destination for international business travelers for the past 5 years!

Tianjin is a city where the east meets the west. One of its most engrossing attractions is the streets capes-an assemblage of historic 19th and early 20th-century European architecture. While Tianjin is also very famous for its culture and arts in northern China, the colorful Yangliuqing New Year Paintings, vividly colored sculptures of Clay Figurines of Zhang Family, impressive well-designed kites of Weis, etc. are outstanding representatives of the folk arts of Tianjin.

Tianjin Binhai New Area was incorporated into the national development strategy, leading the Bohai Sea coastal region as a new economic growth driver for China after the Pearl River Delta and Yangtze River Delta economic zones.

You can feel very distinct seasons in Tianjin. In spring, it is dry, windy, with fluctuating temperatures. In summer, the subtropical high in the Northwest Pacific often brings southerly wind, as well as high temperatures and humidity. In autumn, the sky is bright and sunny. In winter, Tianjin receives northwesterly winds, which brings cold and dry weather.