China 121 Program Updates

MEETINGS

**2009 and 2010 Cohort:** Meeting for all students who will finish their study at Mason this Summer. PLEASE RSVP TO DIANE (dwang@gmu.edu) AS SOON AS POSSIBLE if you are not signed up. Choose one session: March 29 OR March 30 at 4:30 pm, Mason Hall Room D101

Before the meeting, fill out the “Check Off Plan” on the MyMason 1+2+1 Student page. List all the courses you need to complete in China. Review with your advisor and bring a copy, signed by your advisor, to the meeting!

**2011 Cohort:** All students who plan to enroll in Fall semester classes at Mason should meet with an advisor before April 10 to discuss class selection. If you are not sure who to talk to, check the list of Departmental Advisors on myMason 1+2+1 Student Page. For questions about General Education requirements at Mason, you can also contact Ann Lewis, Assistant Dean of Academic Advising (vlewis@gmu.edu) 703-993-4203. For general academic questions, contact Diane Wang.

**2010 Cohort:** If you plan to extend your stay and study at Mason in Fall 2012, you need to notify Diane Wang and get approval from your Chinese University to extend your stay beyond two years. Please read the detailed instructions on “Extending Your Stay at Mason”, found on the Fact Sheet page of the MyMason 1+2+1 Student Website.

EVENTS

**SPRING FLING**

Hope everyone had a good Spring Break! This year the 1+2+1 program sponsored a spring break activity on Sunday March 18 to Mount Vernon, VA, the historic home of George Washington. The students and visiting scholars on the trip had beautiful weather and enjoyed the tour.
Meet 1+2+1 Visiting Scholars

Ms. Chen Huiying (hchen14@gmu.edu) and Mr. Liu Hongbiao, (hliu11@gmu.edu). They are taking classes at Mason under the umbrella of the 1+2+1 Visiting Scholar Exchange Program until July 2012.

Professor Chen teaches and is director of the Master of Fine Arts program at the College of Broadcasting, Film and TV at Liaoning University. She is hosted by the College of Visual and Performing Art at Mason.

Professor Liu is deputy dean of the Public Administration College at Chongqing University. He is hosted by the Global Affairs Program and the History and Art History Department at Mason.

Feel free to get in touch with them by email if you would like to meet them or ask any questions.

TUITION FEES AND SUMMER CLASSES: Registration for summer classes began March 12. See the Summer Term website for additional information: http://summer.gmu.edu/. If you register for summer classes, please notify Lisa, who will request a tuition discount for you. When you first register, Patriot Web will show your tuition at the full rate. In mid-April, Lisa will have a China 121 (tuition discount) credited to your account IF you notified her that you are registered for summer classes. Please wait until after this reduction in your bill before making your payment.

Please remember that China 1+2+1 students are personally responsible for paying all summer expenses, including tuition, fees, housing and meals. Summer bills must be paid by May 21, at the latest, to avoid a late payment fee.

All 1+2+1 students who plan to travel outside of the United States this summer must bring their DS-2019 form to OIPS for endorsement before they go. Always check your entry visa to see whether it will need to be renewed. Please read the 1+2+1 Fact Sheet on my Mason “Travel and Visa Renewals” before you travel. And always bring your Mason student ID card, your AETNA health insurance card and your passport with you when you travel.

SUMMER NEWS

HOUSING NEWS

All 1+2+1 students coming back to Mason in the fall should have signed up for 2012-2013 on campus dormitory housing in February. In case you are not happy with your housing, there are still a few spaces left in the Global Crossings Living and Learning Community.

There are public kitchens in the Global Crossing dormitories, but you will need a meal plan if you live there. If you think you might be interested, please contact Amy Reagan at OIPS, SUB 1, Room 4300. areagan@masonlive.gmu.edu as soon as possible.

WHAT’S MORE

KNOW CITATION RULES

A special thanks to Andrew Li for holding a CITATION WORKSHOP for 1+2+1 Dual Degree students on March 1 and 2! If you were not able to come, we recommend that you sign up for one of the regular workshops he holds, usually on the first Wednesday of the month, at 1:30pm at Johnson Center Library. This is a drop-in class, so students don’t have to register in advance. The class schedule can be found at: http://library.gmu.edu/education/classes.html

VISION AWARDS

The George Mason University Vision Awards, sponsored by University Life’s Office of Diversity, is an annual celebration for historically underrepresented Mason students, faculty and staff. The event honors excellence in the following categories: academics, leadership, and social justice/community building.

We were proud to have a 1+2+1 student honored with a Vision Award last year! Nominations of deserving students, faculty and staff can be submitted for leadership and/or social justice awards. For more information: http://odps.gmu.edu/programs/visionawards.php If you have any questions please call (703) 993-2700. Submission deadline for all nomination is: Friday, March 23, 2012.

MEET OUR VISITING SCHOLARS

Meet 1+2+1 Visiting Scholars

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