

TCC BIE/China Application



The Business and International Education (BIE) program provides grants through the U.S. Department of Education to enhance international business education and to expand the capacity of the business community to engage in international economic activities. Grants are made to higher education institutions to provide suitable international training to business personnel in various stages of professional development. Tidewater Community College has secured a grant that provides for a trip to China for TCC faculty and students in the summer of 2010.

The purpose of this project is to refocus TCC's business curriculum to reflect the realities of globalization by building the professional capacity of our faculty to infuse global perspectives into TCC's business curriculum, and to research major emerging economies that have globalized successfully.

As part of this project, six students and six faculty traveled to Brazil in year one. Another delegation will travel to China in year two. The delegations will share insights on globalization, business adaptation to global competition, and best practices on teaching about globalization while initiating a dialogue toward developing sustainable faculty and student exchanges with both nations.

Submit completed applications to:

**Office of International Programs
TCC Virginia Beach Campus
Princess Anne Building, A-100H**



Guizhou Normal University, one of two institutions we may visit in China.



The Stone Forest of Kunming. Kunming is one of the cities we will visit on our trip.



Yunnan Normal University, the other of two institutions we may visit in China.

Directions

- Students** fill out sections **A** and **D** (pages 2, 7 and 8).
- Traveling faculty** fill out sections **A, B, C** (pages 2-6).
- Non-traveling faculty** fill out sections **A, B** (pages 2 and 3).

SECTION A - Personal and contact information (for all applicants)

General

Full legal name as it appears (or will appear) on your passport:

TCC ID#: _____

Home address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Cell Phone _____

TCC email _____

Country of citizenship: _____

If you speak a foreign language, list it here: _____

Do you already possess a passport? Yes No

If yes, please provide: Passport No.: _____

Issue Date: _____

Expiry: _____

Place of Issue: _____

SECTION B – TCC Faculty Participants Only

This section is for TCC faculty applicants only. Students may skip to section D.

Work information

Campus Address: _____

Office Phone #: 822-_____ TCC email: _____@tcc.edu

Check the campus(es) or center(s) where you teach:

Chesapeake

Norfolk

Virginia Beach

Portsmouth

RAC

VAC

Are you: Full time teaching faculty Part-time teaching faculty Other

What discipline(s) do you teach? _____

Grant project participation (TCC faculty participants only)

Module-maker only

I would like to participate as a **module-maker only**. I am interested in making a module, participating in the seminars and module peer review process, and earning special pay associated with module production. I am **NOT** interested in joining the delegation to China. (You may skip section C of this application as it relates to travelers specifically.) **You may sign below, and your application is complete.**

Traveler

I would like to participate as a **traveler**. In addition to making a module, participating in the seminars and module peer review process, and possibly earning special pay, I am interested in being considered to join the delegation traveling to China. **You need to complete section C of this application.**

By signing below, I indicate I have read and agree to the terms outlined above. I also release my name and likeness to be used by the BIE program for publication in print materials, websites, or multimedia features. Photos taken of me at events or during participation in travel may be used in websites, marketing materials, or reports issued by TCC or the BIE grant project.

TCC Faculty Applicant Signature

Print

Date

SECTION C - Traveling TCC Faculty Participants Only

Health and Mobility Considerations

The following questions are **not a basis for selection**, but a basis for your personal (and the BIE committee's) planning consideration.

If you have respiratory problems—and even if you don't—this is important information. Kunming, China is at a significantly higher altitude than Hampton Roads (about 6500 feet higher), meaning the air is thinner and breathing may be complicated, especially when walking for city tours or climbing stairs. Additionally, in some regions we may visit, the air quality may be particularly poor. If you are chosen to participate in this program, we strongly urge you to talk to your physician about your health and your ability to participate in this program.

Initial here that you've read and acknowledged this caution: _____

Some city tours may require walking 1-2 miles or more at one time. Are you able to participate?

Yes

No

Maybe (explain) _____

Do you require a special diet for medical purposes, or do you voluntarily follow a special dietary program (e.g. allergies, vegetarian, etc.)?

Traveling TCC Faculty Only

Statement of Purpose (traveling TCC faculty only)

Please use the following space to describe your teaching and research interests, including how you expect to benefit professionally from participation in this opportunity and how your students will benefit.

Traveling TCC Faculty Only

Faculty expectations (traveling TCC faculty only)

Please initial the blank following each statement.

As a **FACULTY** participant in the TCC BIE Trip to China, I understand I will be required to:

Before

- a) Develop an internationally-focused multimedia module before departure. This module is intended to be shared publicly on the TCC website and/or through iTunes U. _____
- b) Participate in the peer review process, watching and providing feedback on my peers' modules. Integrate at least some of my peer's suggestions into a refined edition of my module. _____
- c) Attend up to three globalization seminars held during the spring 2010 term. _____
- d) Participate in a pre-departure orientation and seminar to discuss trip and project expectations. _____
- e) Assist the grant team with U.S. Department of Ed metrics by administering a one page pre/post survey measuring student global awareness. _____

During

- f) Deliver a presentation(s) about a topic of interest to our partner institution. For example, the nature of cultures, business practices, economics and trade, etc. _____

After

- g) Consider incorporating one or more of the multimedia modules in your class content. _____
- h) Agree to an interview and recording of a brief video segment in the TCC television production studio. The video segments will be used to market the BIE program, as well as in our final report to the TCC's President and to the U.S. Department of Education. _____

Dean's Signature

Traveling faculty must obtain their dean's signature in the following space.

DEAN: I support this applicant participating in the BIE/China trip between the spring and summer semesters of 2010. I understand that the Office of International Programs will only pay for the costs outlined in this document (no other expenses including release time are covered). If you have additional comments please attach a separate page with your signature on it.

Dean's Signature

Print

Date

SECTION D -- Student Participants Only

Statement of Purpose

What characteristics and qualities do you have that make you an ideal candidate for this exchange? Use this space to explain why the committee should select you for this program. Remember, you are competing for a significant scholarship opportunity—a chance to participate in a unique, hands-on study abroad program that only a few students at our college will experience. Be thorough, but be brief.

Letters of Recommendation

Please submit with this application up to three (3) supporting recommendations from current or previous professors, employers, or community leaders.

Students Only

What is your major area of study? _____

How many credit hours have you completed? _____

Do you intend to continue your education after TCC? Yes No If yes, where?

Have you ever traveled outside the country? Yes No Where?

Student Expectations

Please initial the blank following each statement.

As a **STUDENT** participant in the TCC BIE Trip to China, I understand I will be required to:

Before

- a) Register for ECO 295. _____
- b) Participate in the peer review process for the faculty multimedia modules, watching and providing feedback on them. _____
- c) Attend seminars relating to ECO 295 during the spring 2010 term. _____
- d) Participate in a pre-departure orientation to discuss trip and project expectations. _____
- e) Prepare group multimedia presentation for use at a conference at one or more colleges in China. _____

During

- f) Attend business meetings while in China, acting in a professional and courteous manner. _____
- g) Host at least one conference session for students at our partner institution about a day in the life of a typical American college student. _____
- h) Dress appropriately for the occasion, which may include both business formal and business casual attire. _____

After

- i) Agree to an interview and recording of a brief video segment in the TCC television production studio. The video will be used to market the BIE program, as well as in our final report to TCC's President and to the U.S. Department of Education. _____

Signatures

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Student Applicant Signature

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Date