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Center for International Business Education and Research

Center for Islamic and Arabic Studies

Chicana and Chicano Studies

Chinese Language and Literature

China Studies Institute

Classics and Humanities

Economics

English and Comparative Literature

European Studies

French Language and Literature

Geography

German Language and Literature

Hebrew

History

Institute for Regional Studies of the Californias

International Business

International Population Center

International Security and Conflict Resolution

International Studies Education Project

Italian Language and Literature

Japanese Language and Literature

Japan Studies Institute

Language Acquisition and Resource Center

Latin American Studies

Linguistics and Oriental Languages

Lipinsky Institute for Judaic Studies

Masters of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences

Philosophy

Political Science

Project Mexus

Religious Studies

Rhetoric and Writing Studies

Russian Language and Literature

SDSU Press

Social Science

Social Science Research Laboratory

Sociology

Spanish and Portuguese Languages and Literatures

Women's Studies

Dear Alumni, Friends and Associates of San Diego State University

It is with great pleasure that we announce the San Diego State University College of Arts and Letters 2005 China Educational and Cultural tour commencing on May 23, 2005 and finishing on June 6, 2005.

This is the first time the college is taking on such a project. We have carefully planned the trip to include major cities such as Beijing and Shanghai as well as small towns such as Yicheng and Suzhou. We want to introduce the old China by touring the Great Wall near Beijing which Emperor Qing started and the terra cotta soldiers which were excavated in Xian. We will take you through the alleys of old Shanghai and savor the new flavor of modern Pudong. The tour will take you through Suzhou and Hongzhou, the Venice of China. There is a Chinese saying: Above us there is heaven, down below there are Suzhou and Hongzhou. You will get to taste the best Chinese tea and learn how silk is made.

The highlight of the trip is to take a cruise from the mountain city of Chongqing down the mother river of China, the famous Yangtze River. We will cruise down the river through the fabulous three gorges, Qutang Gorge, Wu Gorge and Xiling Gorge and take a small boat to the three lesser (smaller) gorges. You will be able to take a last glimpse of the ancient towns, cities, temples and antiquities along the banks of the Yangtze River because the water will be raised once the dam is in operation. You will visit the largest dam project in the world - the Ge-Zhou dam.

China is fascinating to many. This educational cultural tour will be once in a life time opportunity to see the country with your own eyes. The college will provide at least two lectures given by faculty members before your depart on the trip. During the trip, there will be lectures given each day. In addition, you will get a list of recommended books as well as substantial reading materials before you leave so that you can be prepared to embark on this journey.

Please join us on this wonderful voyage. We guarantee that you will have a most memorable and unforgettable trip. If you are interested, please contact our tour coordinator, Julia Chang, at tel.619.594.4793 fax.619.594.6281 or by email. changc@rohan.sdsu.edu

Sincerely yours,

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