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*Service Learning,
Humanities &
Transcultural
Program*

2017

August 22 - September 01



Course Overview:

This course is offered to the students, staff, and faculty of our sister schools, exchange students from different organizations and our own students with aim for mutual interaction. It will be taught in English. The contents of this course include culture, service learning and humanity. Culture is defined as the total of inherited ideas, beliefs, values, and knowledge, which constitutes the shared bases of social action. Service learning is a method through which multicultural community engagement, academic subjects, skills, and values are taught. It involves active learning and reflection. Humanity is defined as the quality or state of being human. It can be cultivated by giving example, explanation, exhortation, environment, experience, and expectation. The program is expected to enhance the awareness of cultural difference, humanity, and service for students, with hope that they can be the seeds and influence their peers to become better persons, and help to build a better society.

Participants: (a) students and faculty of sister schools; (b) exchange students of different organizations; (c) students of host school

Number of participants: approximately 100

Hours: Minimum 60 hrs

Time: August 22nd – September 1st, 2017

(Participants must arrive in Hualien, Taiwan on 21st August, Monday)

Objectives:

- Understand and respect the differences and dynamics of multicultural
- Foster the development of self-reflection and cultural awareness
- Demonstrate the skills of communication and problem- solving



- Understand the definition and importance of humanities
- Enhance the levels of self-value and self-esteem through service learning
- Build up the value of service and altruism

Teaching Methods:

- **Lectures:**
 - Introducing the program
 - Knowing about the countries of others (geography, population, foods, travel, culture, language etc.)
 - Understanding the concepts of culture, humanities, service learning, as well as Tzu Chi history and its eight missions
 - Experiencing tea ceremony, and other Tzu Chi humanities activities.
- **Visiting**
 - Jing Si Abode
 - Jing Si Hall
- **Discussion +Reflection (in-class)**
- **Services**
 - Recycling at Tzu Chi recycling station
 - Veterans Care Center
- **Transcultural activities**
 - International talent contest
 - Tasting traditional Taiwanese foods
 - Shopping
 - Sightseeing

Evaluation Criteria: No tests will be asked for this program, participants' performance will be evaluated by the faculty based upon the follows:

- Attendance: 35%
- Participation: 35%
- Reflection & Discussion: 15%
- Oral Presentation: 15%

Grading: Students who meet the program requirement will be issued a program completion certificate

Instructors:

- Dr. Fang-Ying (Sylvia) Chu, Assistant Professor, Department of Nursing; Director of Office of International and Cross-Strait Education
- Dr. Lee-Hwa Cheah, Director of Office of Humanities
- Some faculty are awaiting to be confirmed

Note: The aforesaid program is subject to change as the organizer deems fit from time to time

Notices for 2017 Service Learning, Humanities & Transcultural Program

Dear participants,

Welcome to Tzu Chi University of Science and Technology's "Service Learning, Humanities & Transcultural Program." To ensure the success of the event, please read the attached notices carefully. Especially, please take note of section number 6: expense & section number 8: course notifications.

1. Activity date and location:

- Date: August 22nd, 2017 to September 1st, 2017. (Arrived on August 21st).
- Location: Meeting Room 2, and International Conference Hall (different activities take place in different buildings, please check the program).

2. Dress code:

- Men should wear white or plain colored tops with black pants. Women should wear white or plain colored tops with black pants or knee-length skirts.
- The school will provide a sports top for each participant.
- Plain shoes or sneakers. Sandals are not allowed.

3. Food

- Non-Vegetarian food is allowed neither on campus nor in the dormitory.
- For environment friendly please bring your own water bottles.

4. Belongings:

- Toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, & bath towel etc.), hair dryer, clothes, personal medication, etc.
- Temperatures may reach above 30 °C, please bring UV-proof products, such as sunscreen, hats, etc.
- Notebooks and pens to record class information.

5. Internet facilities:

- All dorm rooms are equipped with network port for students. Please bring your own internet cable.
- Wi-Fi is available for you to use in TCUST dorm, ID and password will be given when you arrive.

6. Program Fee:

- The attendants from universities, which have reciprocal treatment with TCUST do not need to pay program fees, accommodations, & on campus vegetarian meals fees. However, they are responsible for local transportation and insurance only (NT \$ 1,700 for non-Chinese participants, NT \$ 2,300 for Mainland China's participants which includes entry permit fee).

- The attendants from universities, including UMAP, which do not have reciprocal treatment with TCUST need to pay NT \$ 3,200 program fees, but accommodations and on campus vegetarian meals fees are covered by TCUST. They are also responsible for local transportation and insurance (NT \$ 1,700 for non-Chinese participants, NT \$ 2,300 for Mainland China's participants which includes entry permit fee).
- The above costs will be collected by the TCUST Office of International and Cross-Strait Education. Participants should collect all of fees from one school into a single unit and pay these fees to Ms. Yi-Shan Tsai on 22nd August.
- Please prepare NT Dollars. The school does not provide currency exchange services.

7. Accommodation arrangement and rules:

- One to two instructors stay in one room; three to four students stay in one room, in the TCUST's dormitory depending on the room vacancy.
- **Rooms are equipped with air conditioners and fans (additional charges for the use of air conditioners)**
- Please store personal items and bed wear neatly.
- Dormitory curfew hours are 22:00pm to 06:00am. Dorm keeper will close the main door during the period except emergency to ensure your safety.
- TCUST regulations: (a)Waste sorting (b) Clean the rooms daily (c) Bed-making
- Please lower your noise volume in the dormitory.
- Smoking, drinking, gambling, and non-vegetarian food are prohibited in the dorms.
- **Please note that our staff will check your rooms on the day you leave. Please tidy your rooms and empty your rubbish bin before checking out, otherwise we will take photos as evidences and then send back to your university. Please take the responsibility to keep your room clean and tidy. Thank you for your cooperation.**

8. Course notifications:

- Please attend activities according to the curriculum timetable. Participants will be notified in case of time adjustments.
- "Knowing about Taiwan & Others" will be held on 23rd August. The content can address geography, populations, culture, foods, travel, but not limited to. If you need to use PowerPoint or any electrical device, please send the original file to Ms. Chia-Ying Lin (ss333@tcust.edu.tw) by 31st July.
- There will be one talent show competition running by cross schools. The talent show competition will be held on 31st August. Please prepare your own props. The school will only provide audio-visual equipment, please prepare your own equipments. For safety concerns, please do not engage in dangerous performances. Please notify Ms. Chia-Ying Lin (ss333@tcust.edu.tw) of your school's performance titles in English by 30th July.
- You will be notified which universities will be your partners for talent show. Then you could discuss the talent show prior to program started and after arrival.



Date	Time	Subject	Location
Aug 21 Mon (Travel)	Morning	Departure from your country	
	Afternoon	Arrive at Taoyuan International Airport	Taoyuan International Airport
	Evening	Arrive in Hualien, TCUST	Dormitory 3, TCUST
Aug 22 Tue. (Day1)	08:30- 09:00	Breakfast	Meeting Room 2
	09:10- 12:00	Opening Ceremony	International Conference Hall
	12:00- 13:20	Lunch	Cafeteria
	13:30- 14:00	Discussions for Talent Contest	Meeting Room 2
	14:00- 15:30	Icebreaking	To be confirmed
	15:30- 16:30	Temple Tour	Hualien City
	16:30- 19:30	Hualien City Tour(meal on own)	Hualien City(downtown)
Aug 23 Wed. (Day2)	08:30- 09:00	Breakfast	Meeting Room 2
	09:10- 12:00	Knowing about Taiwan & others (Oral presentation /performance by each university)	International Conference Hall
	12:00- 13:20	Lunch	Meeting Room 2
	13:30- 16:30	Class A: Tea ceremony Class B: Aboriginal Museum Tour and Traditional Attire Experience	Class A: Tea Ceremony Classroom Class B: Aboriginal Museum /International Conference Hall
	16:30-	Free Time (meal on own)	
Aug 24 Thu. (Day3)	08:30- 09:00	Breakfast	Meeting Room 2
	09:00- 12:00	Visiting Jin Si Abode	Jin Si Abode
	12:00- 13:20	Lunch	Meeting Room 2
	13:30- 16:30	Visiting Jin Si Hall	Jin Si Hall
	16:30-	Free Time (meal on own)	
Aug 25 Fri. (Day4)	08:30- 17:30	Hualien Sightseeing (Transportation fee is covered by TCUST, but meals are not included)	To be confirmed
Aug 26 Sat. (Day5)	Free Time		
Aug 27 Sun. (Day 6)	Free Time		



Date	Time	Subject	Location
Aug 28 Mon. (Day7)	08:00- 08:20	Breakfast	Meeting Room 2
	08:20-08:50	The Concept of Service Learning	Functional E Class Room
	09:00-11:00	Visiting Veterans Care Center & Service Learning	Veterans Care Center
	11:00-12:00	Sharing Time	Functional E Class Room
	12:00-13:20	Lunch	Meeting Room 2
	13:30-14:30	Idea of Recycling	Functional E Class Room
	14:30-16:50	Tzu Chi Recycling Station of Volunteers	Tzu Chi recycling station
	16:50-	Free Time (meal on own)	
Aug 29 Tue. (Day8)	08:30- 09:00	Breakfast	Meeting Room 2
	09:00-12:00	DIY Indigenous Accessories	Functional E Class Room
	12:00-13:20	Lunch	Meeting Room 2
	13:30-16:00	Flower Assembly Ceremony	Functional E Class Room
	16:00-	Free Time (meal on own)	
Aug 30 Wed. (Day9)	08:30- 09:00	Breakfast	Meeting Room 2
	09:00- 12:00	Preparation for Talent Contest	International Conference Hall
	12:00-13:20	Lunch	Meeting Room 2
	13:30-15:30	DA-AI Technology	International Conference Hall
15:30-	Free Time (meal on own)		
Aug 31 Thu. (Day10)	08:10-08:30	Breakfast	Meeting Room 2
	09:00-12:00	Talent Contest	International Conference Hall
	12:00-13:20	Lunch	International Conference Hall (Hallway)
	13:30-16:00	Oral Presentation Farewell Ceremony	International Conference Hall
	16:00-	Free Time (meal on own)	
Sep 1 Fri. (Day11)	08:00-10:00	Check Out	Dormitory 3
	10:00-	Bon Voyage!	

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