

he Institute of International Education (IIE) has a long history of promoting educational exchange between the peoples of China and the United States. The first IIE study abroad opportunity for Americans in Asia was the American-Chinese Student Exchange in 1936 and later, during World War II, the Institute helped to secure aid for Chinese students in the U.S. unable to return home. Since that time, IIE's programs in Asia have grown into multilateral programs that include educational and cultural exchanges, training and internship programs, workshops and seminars, as well as study tours and site visits.

IIE's office in **Hong Kong** was established in 1967 and, in 2001, IIE also opened an office in **Beijing**. The Institute is committed to strengthening the ties between the people of China and the U.S. through the international exchange of people and ideas.

# IIE/China

### **IIE Services in China**

- Scholarship and Fellowship Management: IIE is a leader in providing scholarship management services to public and private sponsors in the U.S. and abroad. The Institute specializes in the management of scholarship and fellowship programs for undergraduate and graduate students, scholars and professionals to study at leading universities in the United States, China and around the world.
- Promoting Study in China: Through initiatives such as the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program and IIEPassport.org, IIE's study abroad directory, the Institute promotes study abroad and internship opportunities for U.S. students in China.
- Academic Testing and Assessment: IIE partners with international education and testing organizations to provide academic and professional assessments in China. In Hong Kong and Macau, IIE is the official TOEFL® ITP representative for the Educational Testing Service, as well as the SSAT test administrator for the Secondary School Admission Test Board. IIE's Hong Kong office also administers the SAT® for the College Board and the LSAT® for the Law School Admission Council.
- Research on Higher Education: IIE plays a central role in conducting research on international student flows and policy issues in international education in the U.S., China and abroad.

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## **IIE Programs and Services in China**

#### Flagship USG Programs in China

The Fulbright Student and Scholar Programs. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, the U.S.-China Fulbright Scholar Program was the first in the world. Inaugurated in 1947, it the program closed in in 1949 and was reinstated in 1979. With an aim of strengthening bilateral relationships between the U.S. and Chinese governments and promoting peace and mutual understanding between individuals, institutions and future leaders in both countries, the Fulbright Scholar Program provides opportunities for Chinese scholars to teach and conduct research at Universities in the United States and enables U.S. scholars to teach and conduct research at top universities in China. Similarly, the U.S. Fulbright Student program in China provides students with funding for one academic year of study, research abroad or teach language instruction in the U.S or China. Over the last decade, the Fulbright Student Program has seen a steady increase in applications for study in China.

**Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program.** The Humphrey Fellowship, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, is a one-year, non-degree program for leaders in the public service sector. The program began receiving Fellows from China in 1982 and has hosted mid-career professionals from China each year for training in the United States.

**International Visitor Leadership Program.** Sponsored by the U.S. State Department, IIE develops short-term programs for international visitors to gain exposure to U.S. culture, governments, and industry. IIE has arranged professional study visits for hundreds of senior professionals and specialists from China who represent a broad range of government, university, and other interests.

#### **Programs for Foundations and Corporations**

IIE works with a range of foundations and corporations to implement scholarship and training programs in China. Programs in China that are supported by private foundations and implemented by IIE/Beijing and IIE/Hong Kong include:

- The Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program, which provides graduate training abroad or in-country for exceptional individuals from social groups or communities that lack systematic access to such opportunities, and who will return to become leaders in their communities and in their fields, furthering development in their home countries and social justice worldwide.
- China Medical Board Grants Competitions, advancing faculty development and work on health policy and systems sciences.
- WT Chan Fellowships, supported by the Lingnan Foundation, provide U.S.-based service learning opportunities for outstanding upper level undergraduates and post-graduates from Sun Yat-sen University in Guangzhou and Lingnan University in Hong Kong, to provide them opportunities for personal growth, deepening international experience and understanding of the NGO sector in the United States.
- The Dragon Global Citizenship Programme, sponsored by the Hong Kong-based Dragon Foundation, in which 30 undergraduate students from recognized universities in Hong Kong are selected to participate in a week-long series of conferences, lectures and activities on the theme of "global citizenship." The program has been held in New York, Geneva and Bangkok.

#### **IIE Publications and Research**

IIE's printed and web-based resources include *Open Doors*, with annually updated statistics on Chinese student and scholar flows to the U.S. and Americans studying in China, and *IIEPassport*, a directory of study abroad programs for U.S. students. A special edition of *IIEPassport*, focusing on study programs in China, will be published in November 2010, along with updated *Open Doors* data. In 2008, IIE partnered with AIFS to publish *U.S.-China Educational Exchange: Perspectives on a Growing Partnership* (Global Education Research Report), which can be ordered at www.iie.org.

The Institute of International Education (IIE) is a world leader in international education and scholarly exchange. For over 90 years, IIE has served students, academics, and professionals by increasing their capacity to think, work and compete on a global level. IIE prides itself in managing a diverse portfolio of programs and delivering excellent services for participants, sponsors, and donors. IIE currently implements over 250 programs each year which serve 25,000 individuals in more than 175 countries worldwide.



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