



Green Across the World

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Program Application Description

Green Across the World invites high school students to apply for our 2017 summer Environmental Leadership Exchange program in South China. The 2017 exchange will focus on natural resource management and environmental leadership. North American high school students and educators will join Chinese high school students and educators in Guangdong and Yunan, China, for this program. Participants must have a demonstrable interest in environmental science, culture, policy and governance, or international exchange. An exceptional level of curiosity, maturity, resilience and perseverance is required. Students may have the option of earning 3.0 college credits from Castleton University (agreement pending).

Green Across the World in South China, July 2017: The Affiliated High School of South China Normal University, Guangzhou, Guangdong China, will design a two week program to examine natural resource management, regional natural history, culture, business and human history. You will see a part of China through the lens of a Chinese program, not as a tourist would. We will spend time exploring the city of Guangzhou, where you will stay with host families, and Yunan Province with Chinese students.

Those who successfully complete the 2017 South China exchange will be given priority for the Vermont exchange during the summer of 2018.

Green Across the World in Vermont, July 2018: North American High School students will be invited to apply for this course and program in Vermont. During two weeks of intensive study you will review regional natural history and environmental policy development with Chinese students and teachers through extensive field-work. Field biologists, politicians, state employees, business people, environmentalists and artists will interact with you during this comprehensive survey. Embedded in this review will be an in depth study of a specific and current environmental challenge facing the region.

Educators: We will consider inquiries from educators. Serving as an **Educator Intern** can lead to relicensing credit and possible employment during future summer programs.

Expectations:

Developing environmental leadership skills will be exciting rewarding, and hard work. If you are selected to participate in this exchange, you will:

- be expected to develop a project with a Chinese student during the exchange program.
- complete a reflective paper about your project and your experience in China. Your paper may be published in The Green Dragon.
- offer presentations about your experience and project at the close of the program and in your local communities during the 2017-18 academic year.

The approximate dates for Green Across the Pacific in South China 2017 are July 6th to July 24th. Minor adjustments will be made to departure and return dates in order to obtain favorable airfares.

Tuition, including program costs and housing, is \$2,500. International airfare and college credit through Castleton University (optional) are additional. **Interested students should NOT avoid applying for financial reasons.** We can often provide scholarship support for students with demonstrable need. We expect all students to generate a minimum of \$500 toward tuition from their own resources (employment, family, and personal fundraising).

To Complete an Application

- I) Answer questions on the **Application Form** in essay format.
- II) Ask two mentors to write letters of support on your behalf. Each mentor must comment on your level of interest in environmental science, policy and government, or international exchange, and your curiosity, maturity, resilience, perseverance and ability to function in a group.

We are reviewing applications received through May 15th, 2017. We may ask to interview you in person or on the phone.

Send applications to:

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