### Macalester College Faculty Development International Seminar

## Chinese Worlds: Multiple Temporalities & Transformations

Overseas Dates: May 23 – June 14, 2006

Seminar Outline

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

Macalester College has conducted to date *five* Faculty Development International Seminars. The first seminar was held in *Hungary* in the summer of 1995 with a thematic focus on "*Transition and Globalization in Central and Eastern Europe*". The second was conducted in *Brazil* in the summer of 1997 and emphasized "*Landscape, Culture and Globalization*". The third seminar, focusing on "*Transformation and Multiculturalism in the New Millennium*" took place in *South Africa* in January of 2000. The fourth seminar was based in *Malaysia*, examining "*Crossroads of Diversity in Southeast Asia*" during January 2002. The fifth seminar, on "*Hybrid Geographies in the Eastern Mediterranean: A View from the Bosphorus*" was held in *Turkey* in the summer of 2004.

Building on the foundations of these five seminars, a sixth seminar, in the summer of 2006, aims to further internationalize Macalester's brand of liberal arts education by engaging participants in an intensive intellectual and cross-cultural seminar based in the cities of *Taipei*, *Nanjing* and *Shanghai*. This sixth seminar will engage participants in learning about the achievements and challenges of the Chinese people, inheritors of an ancient civilization and active participants in a rising world colossus. Our primary vantage points will be three: the deeply-layered historical and imperial capital *Nanjing*, the rapidly expanding global-city in-the-making *Shanghai*, and the capital of the island of Taiwan, *Taipei*. In addition, seminar participants have opportunities to visit both rural and urban areas and to pursue their own intellectual and cross-cultural interests during independent study periods.

China and the entire East Asian region have long contributed to the intellectual and cultural endowment of the world, and the format and content of the seminar are designed to encourage all participants to explore the deep traditions of the region and its contemporary challenges. The seminar consequently focuses on selected interdisciplinary themes while also providing information and insights into other issues of relevance to the liberal arts and sciences. The proceedings of the seminar, in the form of commissioned papers by scholars from the region and meditative essays by Macalester participants, will be published in Volume XVIII of our journal of international studies, *Macalester International*.

An outline of the purpose, topics, locations, partners, expectations, expenses, application and selection process, and working schedule follows.

#### II. PURPOSE

At Macalester College, the internationalization of liberal arts education, faculty (teaching staff), and administrators takes many forms. Among others, these include the hiring of tenure-track professors with diverse cultural backgrounds; the granting of sabbatical and other leaves to pursue international research; visiting international faculty; the International Roundtable, which brings diverse scholars together with our faculty, staff and students on campus each October; opportunities to be involved with study abroad programming and advising (more than 60% of Macalester's U.S. students study overseas as part of their degree programs), and to work with an internationally diverse student body (Macalester enrolls degree-seeking students from some 80 countries worldwide); and other collegewide, departmental or individual undertakings which bring internationalism to campus or take faculty and staff abroad.

The summer 2006 Faculty Development International Seminar has six explicit and inter-related purposes:

- □ To have Macalester participants jointly explore, with host society scholars, practitioners and others, interdisciplinary themes in a particular zone of the world;
- □ To foster a community of internationalist scholars among Macalester participants;
- □ To provide opportunities for individual Macalester participants and host society counterparts to engage in discussions on topics of shared intellectual interests;
- □ To expose Macalester participants to study abroad programs of relevance to our curriculum and of interest to our students;
- □ To engage Macalester participants in fruitful discussions with Macalester alumni abroad; and
- □ To share Seminar outcomes with a wider community in and beyond Macalester.

#### III. THEME AND SUB-TOPICS

The summer 2006 Macalester Faculty Development International Seminar is designed to help participants grapple - both intellectually and through hands-on personal experience - with compelling issues facing China and the East Asian region in this unfolding epoch of globalization. The Seminar is also designed to capture an important moment in Macalester College's fundamental mission of educational excellence in the context of the inter-related ideals of internationalism, multiculturalism, and civic engagement. To help accomplish this, the Seminar includes carefully selected commissioned papers and guest presentations; discussions with scholars and practitioners from various fields; guided and independent visits to cultural, educational, ecological and historical sites; opportunities for independent study and collaboration with colleagues in the seminar's three city locations; possible visits with families and alumni; and various forums for sharing the experience and the learning gained through the Seminar. The overall theme and sub-topics are designed both to be focused enough to add depth to the content of the seminar and supple enough to stimulate each individual participant's intellectual interests.

To accomplish the explicit goals of the Seminar, presentations and activities are organized around a broad interdisciplinary theme. The seminar on *Chinese Worlds: Multiple Temporalities and Transformations* is designed to introduce participants to the region's historical achievements and contemporary challenges, with special focus on perspectives from scholars in Taipei, Nanjing and Shanghai as important cities in the Chinese Worlds. For those pursuing interests elsewhere in China, suggestions may be available through the seminar. However, logistics (travel, lodging, contacts) during and after the seminar are the responsibility of the individual participant.

Please see the working schedule below for further details.

#### IV. SEMINAR EXPECTATIONS

Following are the College's expectations of Macalester participants in this seminar:

- □ To engage actively in all seminar presentations, discussions, field visits, and alumni events in China, as well as in all related meetings at Macalester both prior to departure and upon return
- □ To undertake independent reading about China and the East Asian, both in areas of academic interests and beyond as an effort toward further development of intellectual peripheral vision
- □ To undertake abroad an independent study project on a pre-selected topic and to be in contact, both during the seminar and beforehand, with resource people abroad who could provide suggestions on the independent study project
- □ To facilitate discussion and to lead at least one seminar session abroad in collaboration with the relevant presenter
- □ To prepare an abstract on an area of academic expertise and, if invited, to give a presentation on this topic for a host institution or community group abroad
- □ To write a meditative essay (3,000-4,000 words) based on the independent study project, observations, journal notes, and Seminar learning and to have this essay ready for publication in the Macalester International by Monday *August 14, 2006*
- □ Due to the nature of the seminar and local arrangements, it is Macalester's policy that no spouses, friends or dependents may accompany seminar participants during the seminar dates

#### V. SEMINAR EXPENSES

Macalester College covers most of the direct administrative and academic costs of the seminar design, implementation and evaluation, as well as the cost of honoraria and other expenses for speakers and authors. Our co-sponsoring institution and collaborators may provide facilities, administrative assistance, and support toward joint receptions and other activities. Macalester College provides funding for the following Macalester participant expenses:

- ☐ International Group Airfare (or an equivalent travel allowance)
- □ Single-room accommodation and breakfast (or breakfast stipend)
- Some working lunches
- □ Convening and closing dinners or lunches
- □ Basic room and board allowance during the independent study period
- □ An international teacher identification card that includes additional insurance

Macalester participants themselves will be expected to cover other costs, including:

- Most dinners and some lunches
- □ Passport, visa fees, supplemental insurance (if desired)
- □ Personal travel, including travel during the independent study period and local commuting
- Optional excursions
- □ Tips, personal items, gifts for hosts, and incidentals

#### VI. APPLICATION AND SELECTION

All tenured, tenure-track, and adjunct faculty at Macalester College were invited to apply for Faculty Development International Seminars. Following the *Monday November 14, 2005 application* deadline, the Advisory Committee on International Studies and Internationalism (ACISI) reviewed and ranked applications and made its recommendations to the Macalester College Faculty Professional Activities Committee (FPAC). The final slate of participants was confirmed on *December 14, 2005*. Items requested in the application included the following:

- □ A concise statement (2-3 pages) outlining how the applicant envisions the seminar contributing to scholarship, teaching, and advising at Macalester; and how the applicant could help contribute to the seminar's explicit purposes
- ☐ An outline, in the form of a brief narrative abstract (2-3 paragraphs), of an initial idea for an independent study project to be undertaken during the seminar and later presented as part of a meditative essay for publication in the Macalester International
- □ A working title and brief abstract (2-3 paragraphs) of a guest presentation in an area of academic expertise that the participant would be willing to provide if invited by a host institution or community organization abroad
- □ An updated curriculum vitae

#### VII. MACALESTER COLLEGE PARTICIPANTS

Name	Email & Department	General Independent Study Topic
<ol> <li>Ahmad Ahmad</li> </ol>	Religious Studies	Muslim Citizens in Metropolitan China
2. Holly Barcus	Geography	Transformation of China's Rural Landscape
3. Terry Boychuk	Sociology	Nonprofit Organizations
4. Gary Krueger	Economics	Village Enterprises & Market Factors
5. Erik Larson	Sociology	Stock Exchanges in Taipei & Shanghai
6. Andrew Latham	Political Science	Chinese International Relations Theory
7. Weiwen Miao	Mathematics	Statistics Evidence in Criminal Cases
8. Michael Monahan	International Center	[Seminar Coordinator; Not applicable]
9. Soek-Fang Sim	International Studies	Taxi Drivers on Life in China
10. Ahmed Samatar	International Studies	[Seminar Coordinator; Not applicable]
11. Vasant Sukhatme	Economics	China's Recent Economic Performance
12. Yue-him Tam	History	Nationalism & Economic Growth
13. James von Geldern	Russian & IS	Migrants from the Three Gorges Dam Project
14. Ping Wang	English	Poems, Prose and Photos: Migrant Workers
15. Eric Wiertelak	Psychology	Traditional Chinese Medicine

#### VIII. SEMINAR READINGS

In addition to the commissioned papers, the **required common readings** for the seminar are:

- Spence, Jonathan. The Gate of Heavenly Peace: The Chinese and Their Revolution, 1895-1980
- Hua, Yu. To Live

Recommended readings are outlined separately in the seminar bibliography and a number of these are on reserve, along with copies of the papers, other background readings suggested by the presenters, and a "browsing file", at the Macalester College Library.

#### IX. SEMINAR SITES, PARTNERS & LODGING

Although some presenters are affiliated with other universities and organizations, the seminar's main collaborating institutions have been **Academia Sinica** in Taipei and **Nanjing University** in Nanjing. The key individuals who have assisted with academic, cultural, and administrative planning of the seminar include the following. (\* indicates individuals who will serve as assistants during the seminar component in their respective city).

#### In Taipei:

Dr. Allen Chun, Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica

Dr. Yu-Ling Christie Chang, Linguistics Department, National Chengchi University

Mr. Jerry Liu\*, M.A. Candidate in China Studies at Tsing Hua University in Taiwan.

E-mail: jerrysitcom@gmail.com

Seminar lodging in Taipei. Single Rooms for the nights of May 24, 26 & 27.

#### **Howard International House**

No. 30 Hsin Sheng South Road Section 3

Taipei, Taiwan 106 R.O.C. Phone: 886-2-8369-1155 Fax: 886-2-8369-1177

Booking E-mail: <a href="mailto:rv-ih@howard-hotels.com.tw">rv-ih@howard-hotels.com.tw</a>

Website: <a href="http://3w.howard-hotels.com.tw/hotel\_ih/ih.asp">http://3w.howard-hotels.com.tw/hotel\_ih/ih.asp</a>

For a map and transportation information see: http://intl-house.howard-hotels.com/?Ms=317&Lsn=2&Psn=3493

**Leader Hotel**. Single rooms for the night of May 25.

No. 83 Roosevelt Road, Section 4

Taipei, Taiwan R.O.C.

Phone: 886-2-8369-2858 and 4808 0170 0076 7194.

#### In Nanjing:

**Dr. Cong Cong**, Deputy Director of the Foreign Office, Nanjing University.

Dr. Shuxia Tang, Linguistics Department, Nanjing University

Ms. Carrie Huo\*, Graduate Student in the Linguistics Department, Nanjing University

E-mail: hjxcarrie@gmail.com Cell Phone: 13913309974.

Seminar lodging in Nanjing. Single rooms for the nights of May 28, 29, 30 & 31.

Nanjing University International Guest House: The South Garden Hotel

South Campus, Nanjing University

22# Hankou Road

Nanjing, Jiangsu Province

P.R. China 210093

Tel.86-25-83593343

#### In Shanghai:

Mr. John Lu\*, Journalist and Executive Director of Sunday Business Consulting Company

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Ms. Wenjun (Karen) Gu\*, Journalist with the International Service of Dragon Television, and World

Press Institute Alum. E-mail: <u>aahgu2001@yahoo.com</u>

Seminar lodging in Shanghai. Nights of June 7-13 inclusive.

Heng Shan Moller Villa Shanghai (also known as the "Blue House")

No. 30 Shan Xi South Road

Shanghai 200040

P.R.O.C.

Tel: 86-21-62478881

Key Contact: Ms. Eva Ye, Deputy Manager. Telephone: 86-21-322-0699.

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#### X. WORKING SCHEDULE

#### Friday, October 14, 2005 at Macalester

Formal "Call for Applications" distributed to all eligible Macalester faculty members

#### Monday, November 14, 2005 at Macalester

5:00pm: Application deadline. Early application encouraged

#### Wednesday, December 14, 2005 at Macalester

International Center notified all applicants of Faculty Professional Activities Committee decisions

#### Tuesday, February 14, 2006 at Macalester

4:30-6:30pm: **Orientation Meeting** 

Coordinators: Michael Monahan, International Center & Ahmed Samatar, International Studies

Venue: International Center

Focus: Seminar content; intellectual expectations; logistics, travel, visas, and finances; pre-departure

preparation; readings; facilitation of sessions.

#### Tuesday, March 7 at Macalester

4:30-6:30pm. Orientation and Discussion Session for all Macalester seminar participants

Coordinators: Ahmed Samatar, International Studies & Michael Monahan, International Center

Venue: International Center

Focus: Human Subjects Research guidelines; Independent Study Projects; seminar bibliography and films; required readings; commissioned papers and oral presentations; final questions regarding finances.

#### Friday, March 31 at Macalester

Due date for working drafts of the commissioned papers and brief abstracts of oral presentations

#### Tuesday, April 25

4:30-6:00pm **Oral Presentation #1** 

Topic: Changing Geopolitics in "The China Triangle"

The term "Greater China" was used largely in the 1980s to denote a newly emerging China sparked by Deng Xiaoping's policy of economic liberalization and the increasing transnational influences that followed. Both Hong Kong and Taiwan then became a primary conduit for "capitalist" influences of all sorts, economic and cultural. Greater China signified this greater cultural-economic sphere that seemed to transcend political boundaries, but it was an entity centered outside China or somewhere between the "triangle". Ironically, reference to Greater China has gradually faded out. This session argues for an even "greater" China, and this subtle transformation reflects the work of a deeper geopolitics.

Presenter: **Dr. Allen Chun**, Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica. E-mail: <a href="mailto:achun@gate.edu.tw">achun@gate.edu.tw</a> Macalester Facilitators:

**Ahmad Ahmad**, Religious Studies Department. E-mail: <a href="mailto:ahmad@macalester.edu">ahmad@macalester.edu</a> **Michael Monahan**, International Center. E-mail: <a href="mailto:monahan@macalester.edu">monahan@macalester.edu</a>

Venue: Weyerhaeuser Board Room, Macalester College

#### Friday, May 5 at Macalester

4:30-6:30pm: Commissioned Paper #1

Topic: Communism in Chinese History: Reflections on the Past and Future of the PRC Serving as the seminar's lead paper and keynote presentation open to students, faculty, staff and guests at Macalester College, this session provides a sweeping historical reflection on modern China with special focus on the role of Communism in China's intellectual life, cultural and political achievements, and contemporary contradictions.

Presenter: **Dr. Maurice Meisner**, Professor Emeritus, Department of History, University of Wisconsin-Madison. E-mail: mmeisner@wisc.edu

Moderator: Yue-him Tam, Macalester History Department. E-mail: tam@macalester.edu

Venue: Old Main, Fourth Floor Lounge, Macalester College

#### Saturday, May 6 at Macalester

11:00-1:00pm: Discussion with Macalester Seminar Participants & Maurice Meisner.

Includes lunch

Coordinator: **Michael Monahan**, International Center Venue: Weyerhaeuser Board Room, Macalester College

1:00-2:30pm: **Oral Presentation #2** 

An Intellectual Introduction to the "Chinese Worlds" by Selected Faculty Participants Macalester Presenters:

Yue-Him Tam, History Department. E-mail: tam@macalester.edu

**Soek-Fang Sim**, International Studies Department. E-mail: <a href="mailto:sim@macalester.edu">sim@macalester.edu</a>

Venue: Weyerhaeuser Board Room, Macalester College

#### Tuesday, May 23

11:20am: Group flight (NW#750Q) departs from Minneapolis/St. Paul and arrives Detroit 2:01pm. NW#69Q departs Detroit 3:35pm en route to Taipei, Taiwan.

#### Wednesday, May 24 in Taiwan

9:40pm: Group flight (NW#69Q from Detroit) arrives Taipei. Meet Jerry Liu, Michael Monahan and Ahmed Samatar at the Taipei airport for group transportation to seminar lodging at the Howard International House.

#### Thursday, May 25 in Taiwan

12:00-2:00pm: On-Site Orientation Session: Introduction to Taipei. Includes lunch

Venue: Howard International House

#### Friday, May 26 in Taiwan

9:00-11:00am: Commissioned Paper #2

Topic: Nation & State: Perspectives from Taiwan

Perhaps the most critical issues in the East Asian arena is the relationship between the island of Taiwan and mainland China on questions of regional economics, cultural identity, and historical and contemporary relations. This session, held in Taipei, with further information provided in Nanjing, will focus on the complexities of relationships across a wide range of topics, and on the prospects and challenges of an accommodating future.

Presenter: Dr. Horng-luen Wang, Associate Research Fellow, Institute of Sociology, Academia

Sinica and Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, National Taiwan University.

E-mail: <u>hlwang@sinica.edu.tw</u> and <u>hlwang@ccms.ntu.edu.tw</u>

Macalester Facilitators:

**Terry Boychuk**, Sociology Department. E-mail: <a href="mailto:boychuk@macalester.edu">boychuk@macalester.edu</a> **Soek-Fang Sim,** International Studies. E-mail: <a href="mailto:sim@macalester.edu">sim@macalester.edu</a>

11:00-1:00pm: Q&A followed by seminar lunch discussion with the presenter and guests

Venue: Howard International House

2:00-4:00pm: Commissioned Paper #3

Topic: Globalization, Knowledge-based Innovation and the Changing Economic Geography of Innovation across the Taiwan Strait

The Chinese world is increasingly global. Questions of financial management, marketing, economic expansion, international trade, currency exchanges, and global outsourcing are intimately linked to the human condition, cultural identity, and international cooperation. Rapid economic development has created an enormous and acquisitive middle class in China but, as in other countries, has also increased income and living standard gaps between the poor and the wealthy. Human migration (west to East; rural to urban) has acute implications for labor, families and communities. Increasingly, the Chinese world is drawing on its long tradition of excellence in scientific research and development in order to compete on a global scale. Taking place in Taipei, a city that exemplifies global competitiveness and development, this session outlines the historical legacy of science and technology in the Chinese world and brings us up-to-date on the most ambitious technological and economic goals.

Presenter: **Dr. Shin-Horne Chen**, Director, International Division, Chung-Hua Institution for

Economic Research. E-mail: shchen@mail.cier.edu.tw

Co-Author of Paper: Pei-chang Pam Wen

Macalester Facilitators:

Erik Larson, Sociology Department. E-mail: <a href="mailto:larson@macalester.edu">larson@macalester.edu</a>

Vasant Sukhatme, Economics Department. E-mail: <a href="mailto:sukhatme@macalester.edu">sukhatme@macalester.edu</a>

Venue: Howard International House

7:00-10:00pm: Seminar Reception and dinner

Venue: Howard International House

#### Saturday, May 27 in Taiwan

9:00am-5:00pm: Seminar Excursion and Oral Presentation #3

This day-long excursion includes a visit to Huafan University (a Buddhist institution in the mountains outside of Taipei), a presentation on Buddhism, and a guided tour of Ch'an paintings. It also includes free time for self-guided visits to the National Palace Museum and its large collection of Chinese art.

Presenter: Venerable Jenlang Shih. E-mail: jenlangs@yahoo.com

Macalester Facilitator: Michael Monahan, International Center. E-mail: monahan@macalester.edu

#### Sunday, May 28

#### Travel: Taipei-(Hong Kong)-Nanjing

6:00am: Prompt departure to the airport for the Group Flight KA#489 from Taipei to Hong Kong This flight departs at 8:00am & connects to KA#810 from Hong Kong to Nanjing. Meet outside the Howard International House for airport transportation.

1:15pm. Group flight arrives Nanjing; transportation to Nanjing University & seminar lodging at the University guesthouse, also known at the South Garden Hotel. Expected check-in time is approximately 3:30pm.

6:00-8:00pm: Group dinner with Nanjing University officials and faculty members.

#### Monday, May 29 in Nanjing

7:00-8:00am: *Tai chi* participatory exercises

With: Yang Xinhua, Vice Director of China Martial Arts Institute; 20<sup>th</sup> Master of Chen shi Taiji Fist; and national award winner in sword, fist, fan, pushing hand and other competitions.

Venue: Nanjing University Field

Macalester Facilitator: Wang Ping, English (first morning only). E-mail: ping@macalester.edu

#### 9:00-11:00am: Commissioned Paper #4

#### Topic: Contemporary Literature in the Chinese World: Politics and Romance

This session, following a brief historical overview of Chinese literature after the Cultural Revolution, focuses on the role and characteristics of contemporary fiction and how it has been influenced by political and social change. Among other topics, the session will show how, from 1978 through 1989, Chinese writers largely concerned themselves with social politics, trying hard to explore, through their literary works, the causes of the social tragedy of modern times. Since 1989, as a result of their doubt about or fear of politics and also because of the influence of the market economy, Chinese writers began to distance themselves from politics and reality, and their works have become a kind of romance that exhibits the literary imagination but lacks a sense of social reality.

Presenter: Dr. Jing Kai Xuan, Professor, English Department, Nanjing University.

E-mail: jingkaixuan@hotmail.com

Macalester Facilitator: James von Geldern, Russian & International Studies. E-mail:

vongeldern@macalester.edu

11:00-1:00pm: Q&A followed by seminar lunch discussion with presenters and guests

Venue: All Nanjing sessions, unless otherwise noted, are held in the Nanjing University Seminar

Room.

2:00-4:00pm: Commissioned Paper #5

Topic: The Three Perfections: Calligraphy, Painting, Music

With its presentation, discussion and demonstration taking place in Nanjing, itself a city rich in the arts, this session is dedicated to the enduring nature of one of the three great traditional arts of the Chinese world, and the relationship among them.

Presenter: **Zhuzhong Qian**, Ph.D. candidate, Computer Science and Technology, Nanjing University and member of the Chinese Calligraphers Association of Jiangsu and the Center for Oriental Calligraphy and Painting Study, Nanjing University.

E-mail: qianzhuzhong@dislab.nju.edu.cn

Co-author of the paper is **Desheng Fang**, Ph.D. candidate in Philosophy, with a focus on aesthetics, at Nanjing University, and both a researcher and practitioner (he is an *erhu* soloist) of traditional Chinese music. E-mail: erhu025@126.com

Macalester Facilitator: Weiwen Miao, Mathematics Department. E-mail: miao@macalester.edu

#### 5:00-8:00pm: Seminar Excursion: Nanjing City

Guided by **Professor Yao** of Nanjing University, this cultural and historical excursion is designed to provide an overview of selected sites in and around the city of Nanjing, including for example, Euanwu Lake and the Liberation Gate (one of the ancient entrances to Nanjing), the City Wall and relics of the Ming Dynasty Imperial Palace, the Changjiang Road and Presidential Palace of the Nationalist Government, Che Shui Gand (the symbol of old Nanjing), China Gate, and the Confucius Temple. Professor Yao will provide introductory remarks en route.

#### Tuesday, May 30 in Nanjing

7:00-8:00am: *Tai chi* participatory exercises with Master **Yang Xinhua** 

Venue: Nanjing University Field

9:00-11:00am: Commissioned Paper #6

Topic: Ecology and Development: The Three Gorges Dam

Arguably the largest project of its kind, with a vast array of both positive and controversial consequences, this massive dam on the great (3,500 mile) Yangtze River provides a window through which to understand scientific, technological, economic, environmental, sociological, and anthropological issues in China.

Presenter: **Dr. Gao Shu**, Marine Geologist & Dean, Department of Urban Resources & Sciences, Nanjing University. E-mail: shugao@nju.edu.cn

Macalester Facilitator: **Gary Krueger**, Economics Department. E-mail: <a href="mailto:krueger@macalester.edu">krueger@macalester.edu</a> 11:00-1:00pm: Q&A followed by seminar lunch discussion with presenters and guests

2:00-4:00pm: **Oral Presentation #4** Topic: *Traditional Chinese Medicine* 

Presenter: **Dr. Wie Zha**, Director of the Short-term Training Center and Director of the Acupuncture and Moxibustion Department, International Education College, Nanjing University of Traditional

Chinese Medicine. E-mail: <u>zhawei561@hotmail.com</u>

This session will include a brief history of Chinese Traditional Medicine as well as an outline of its characteristics, its theoretical foundations, and a comparison with Western Medicine.

Macalester Facilitator: **Erik Wiertelak**, Psychology. E-mail: wiertelak@macalester.edu

7:00pm: *Film* 

#### Wednesday, May 31 in Nanjing

7:00-8:00am: Tai chi with Master Yang Xinhua

Venue: Nanjing University Field

Today will include some free time to finalize Independent Study Project arrangements, but also a cultural excursion to, among other places, the Nanjing Massacre Museum (self-guided) and the Mauseleum. Please hold 1:00-5:00pm for the excursion. Details TBA.

#### 7:00-9:30pm: Cultural Excursion: Kunqu Opera Workshop and Performance

Presenter: Josh Stenberg, Researcher & Translator, Jiangsu Province Kunqu Opera.

This educational and cultural excursion is specially-designed for the Macalester seminar. It includes a short presentation (in English) on the history and aesthetic of Kunqu Opera. Actors will display examples of movement and singing techniques, exhibit costume and make-up, and explain their symbolic importance. This may include invitations to seminar participants to mimic vocal techniques and movements. Following this short workshop, there will be a tailor-made performance with abbreviated opera scenes and a question & answer session afterwards.

#### Thursday, June 1 – Wednesday, June 7

Independent Study Project Period. Locations vary

Formal seminar activities reconvene in Shanghai the evening of June 7

#### Wednesday, June 7 in Shanghai

5:00-6:00pm: Reception.

Venue: Meet at Moller Villa at 5:00pm for short walk to the reception restaurant.

6:00-10:00pm: Independent Study Project Reports. Includes dinner with seminar guests and

Macalester Provost Diane Michelfelder.

#### Thursday, June 8 in Shanghai

9:00-11:00pm: **Oral Presentation #5** Topic: *Poetry & the Arts in Shanghai* 

Presenter: Mr. Yan Li

Macalester Facilitator: **Ping Wang**, English Department. E-mail: <a href="mailto:ping@macalester.edu">ping@macalester.edu</a>

Venue: City Hotel Seminar Room (across the street from Moller Villa)

**11-5:00pm:** Cultural Excursion. This includes a guided visit lead by Mr. Yan Li to art galleries; free time for lunch on your own; a visit to the **Shanghai Urban Development Museum**; and free time for self-guided visits to other museums (e.g. Shanghai City Museum; Shanghai Art Museum) or individual visits to other city sites near People's Square. Dinner on your own, and return to Moller Villa on your own.

#### Friday, June 9 in Shanghai

9:00-11:00am: **Oral Presentation # 6** 

Topic: Shanghai: A Verb and an Aspiration

The purpose of this session is to provide participants with an inside view into the making of a global

city, Chinese style. The focus is on setting the historical, philosophical and cultural context; discussing the economic and geographical components of Shanghai's urban history and planning; and gaining a contemporary view of its development and its challenges as one of the world's most complex and dynamic cities.

Presenters: **Dr. John S. Parker,** U.S. Expatriate Language Instructor, Fudan University & Jiaotong University, Shanghai. E-mail: <a href="mailto:studiosea@gmail.com">studiosea@gmail.com</a>. Cell Phone: 1381-782-5518.

**Mr. John Lu** will also present his observations, from a journalist's perspective, of the evolution of Shanghai as an emerging global city and the challenges it faces. E-mail: <a href="mailto:sundayconsult@vip.163.com">sundayconsult@vip.163.com</a>. Cell Phone: 1332-189-7827.

Macalester Facilitator: Holly Barcus, Geography & Urban Studies Department.

E-mail: <u>barcus@macalester.edu</u>

Venue: City Hotel Seminar Room (across the street from Moller Villa).

11:00-2:00: Lunch on your own and free time.

2:00-4:00pm: **Oral Presentation #7** 

Topic: Understanding Culture through Film

As preparation for this session, participants will have watched at least one Chinese film on their own, and an additional one as a group. The presentation and discussion, to take place in Shanghai (among the most vibrant of film-making cities in the Chinese world) focuses on the role of film in expressing Chinese culture at home and abroad, the internationalization of Chinese-language film industry, and critical analyses of selected film excerpts.

Presenter: Dr. Chen Xihe, Dean of the Film Art School, Shanghai University.

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Macalester Facilitator: Wang Ping, English Department. E-mail: ping@macalester.edu

Venue: City Hotel Seminar Room (across the street from Moller Villa).

#### Saturday, June 10 in Shanghai

10:00-12:00am **Oral Presentation #8** 

Topic: The News Media in China

Focusing first on a wide range of issues related to newspapers, this session offers a unique opportunity for intimate conversations with experienced journalists, and editors and media professionals.

Presenters: **Mr. Pan Lequn,** City Editor, Juifang Daily; **John Lu**, Journalist, Executive Director of Sunday Business Consulting Company, and World Press Institute Fellow (2006); and **Wenjun Gu** of Dragon TV and World Press Fellow (2004).

12:00-1:00pm: Seminar lunch discussion with the presenters at nearby restaurant, as well as further comments and discussions on the nature and profession of print media and television journalism. Macalester Facilitator: **Soek-Fang Sim**, International Studies. E-mail: <a href="mailto:sim@macalester.edu">sim@macalester.edu</a> Venue: City Hotel Seminar Room (across the street from the Moller Villa).

5:30-10:00pm: By special invitation through Dr. Parker, the Macalester participants will join "Friends of the Museum" for a reception, buffet dinner and performance of the **Shanghai Opera** at the **Shanghai Maritime Museum**. Meet at Moller Villa at 5:30pm for transportation in taxis or bus.

#### Sunday, June 11 in Shanghai

Seminar options today include a day-long visit (8:30am departure and approximately 3:30pm return) to the historical fishing village of Zhouzhuang (about 2 hours by bus outside of Shanghai in small town setting); collective viewing of the film *Eat*, *Drink*, *Man*, *Woman* by Ang Lee (4:00-6:00pm at City Hotel Seminar Room); and/or dinner with host for up to 8 Macalester participants with families

and individuals from the Shanghai community (6:30-8:30pm).

#### Monday, June 12 in Shanghai

10:00am-12:00pm: Seminar Evaluation Meeting for Macalester Participants Only Venue: City Hotel Seminar Room.

5:30-8:00pm: **Closing Dinner** for Macalester Participants & invited guests.

8:00-10:00pm: Seminar river cruise along the Bund.

#### Tuesday, June 13 in Shanghai

Free day for follow-up visits, individual meetings and pre-departure preparation.

#### Wednesday, June 14

7:00am: Meet outside the hotel lobby for airport transportation.

10:00am: Group flight (NW#26) departs Shanghai/Pu Dong Airport. Arrives Tokyo/Narita at 2:00pm; departs Narita (NW#20) at 3:30pm and arrives St. Paul, Minnesota at 12:30pm (same day).

#### Monday, August 14

Deadline for photo-ready **lead paper** (approximately 10,000 words), **commissioned papers** (in most cases 8,000-10,000 words) and meditative essays (3,000-4,000 words) by Macalester seminar participants. These will be published in the *Macalester International*. Authors please note that payment (less any necessary tax withholding) will be provided by Macalester College *upon publication* of the papers in the winter of 2006.

Wednesday, September 6 at Macalester: Fall Semester 2006 Classes Begin

#### Thursday, September 14 at Macalester

4:30-6:30pm: Post-seminar meeting and reception. Agenda includes planning for public presentations/panels on the seminar for the benefit of other Macalester faculty, staff & students Venue: Macalester College International Center

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