ENGR 118  Impact of Culture on Engineering in China

SUMMER 2017

China Program Tentative Itinerary -- May 7 – June 2, 2017

5/7  Departing from an airport in or near your hometown for Beijing.

5/8  Arrival at Beijing Capital International Airport Terminal 3, the 2nd largest airport terminal in the world (Video: The World’s Biggest Airport – Beijing International) at 1:50 PM (Flight CO 89, CX0390, UA 897, UA 0089, etc.). Xinli and a tour guide will be greeting you at the PEK Airport International Arrival area of Terminal 3. Please note that if you arrive at PEK Airport at a different terminal other than Terminal 3, please take a free shuttle bus to get to Terminal 3 and wait for everyone to show up at the International Arrival Area at Terminal 3. We’ll be leaving the airport around 5:00 PM and have a bus tour heading to a Peking duck restaurant for a welcome dinner. We will check into our hotel “Raddison Blu Hotel Beijing” after the dinner.

5/9  After breakfast in the hotel, stroll along the famous Tiananmen Square - the largest city square in the world, then Mausoleum of Mao Zedong, and then National Centre for the Performing Arts, and then reach the Forbidden City, then Jinghshan Park. This afternoon, you will tour the Wangfujing Street. After dinner, bus will take you to an acrobatic show. Watch the video “ENGINEERING AN EMPIRE CHINA” when you get a chance this evening.

5/10 Morning excursion transfers you to climb the China Great Wall - Badaling section. This afternoon, visit the Bird's Nest (Video: Olympic National Stadium) inside and its surroundings such as the Water Cube. Go to the Silk Street for some free activity. After dinner, bus will take you to a Kungfu show. Feel free to experience the Beijing Metro System when you get a chance.

5/11 After breakfast, you’ll visit the National Museum of China. In the afternoon, visit China University of Mining and Technology (Beijing Campus, CUMTB) and have a group discussion with CUMT students. Visit the Qianmen street and night scene of the Changan street.

5/12 Visit the Summer Palace, the world's largest imperial garden, [Note that we’ll not visit the Old Summer Palace but hopefully you’ll learn something about the Old Summer Palace from this link here], the new CCTV tower. After lunch, you’ll visit the largest remaining ancient Chinese ritual architecture - the Temple of Heaven Park. After an earlier dinner, we’ll be heading for Dalian by train with soft sleeper seats: Z79 (Departing at 20: 50-2nd day arrival at 07: 23)

5/13 Arrival at Dalian Train Station around 8:00 AM in the morning. Check into our hotel and have breakfast. We’ll be visiting an elementary school and a high school in Dalian in the morning. Visit Dalian Fuyou CEO’s Office.
5/14  Visit Rockwell Automation Dalian Facility. Take a city tour in Dalian.

5/15  Take a flight 东方航空 MU2298 (周水子机场 - 咸阳机场 T3, 14:00 – 16:15 pm) to Xian (Video) in the early afternoon. The tour guide will meet us at the Xian International Airport Terminal 3 (咸阳国际机场三号航站楼) at 4:15 PM. We’ll leave the airport around 4:30 PM and have a bus tour heading to the center of Xian to visit the Bell and Drum Tower Square, and the Asia’s largest fountain Square: the Big Wild Goose Pagoda North Plaza, and then check into our hotel. If time permits, you’ll be taken to the Muslim Snack Street to have some light snacks because Xian is famous for snacks.

5/16  After having breakfast in the hotel, we’ll take a bus tour to Lintong to visit one of the Eight Wonders of the World – the Terracotta Warriors Museum. Watch a large bronze-bronze chariots. After return to Xian city in the afternoon, you’ll visit the world’s best preserved fortress walls – the Ming City Wall (Video). Relax in Xian tonight.

5/17  Take an early morning train from Xian to Yichang where the Three Gorges Dam is nearby today. (K626: 西安站 - 宜昌东 08:35 – 21:33). Board a super 5-star cruise ship Yangtze Gold I (along the Yangtze River) for 4 nights 5 days cruise heading for Chongqing between 19:00 and 21:00 at Yichang.

5/18  This morning, stop at Sandouping to view the historic Three Gorges Dam project, the largest hydroelectric project in the world. The ship will pass through the dramatic Three Gorges Ship Lock. Tonight, you are the guests at the captain’s welcome cocktail party.

5/19  Cruise through the first of the fabled Three Gorges: Xiling Gorge. At Badong, transfer to a small cruiser for an exciting excursion on Shenlong Stream to view its breathtaking small gorges. Then, sail on through Wu Gorge, celebrated for its 12 peaks. Next, sail through Qutang Gorge, framed by steep mossy cliffs.

5/20  In the morning, go ashore to visit Fengdu Ghost City. Tonight, you are the guests at the captain's farewell cocktail/dinner party.

5/21  Arrive Chongqing in the morning. Visit the Three Gorges Dam Museum, and then the City Hall Plaza. After a hot pot dinner, you’ll tour the longest river bank overlooking the National Park - South Sea Park, enjoy the night view of Chongqing, the most leisure destination - Nanbin Road. View of the two rivers converge, streamer panoramic scene of the Chaotianmen. We’ll stay two nights in Chongqing.

5/22  Visit Ford-Changan Auto (CAF): Address: 重庆市北部新区金山大道 666 号

The following is the program/agenda for the Changan Ford visit:
1. Participate in a brief summary of CAF history and develop an insight into the Manufacturing sites
2. Tour newest Ford Assembly Plant
3. Tour Changan Ford’s soon to be launched Engine Plant
4. Brief overview of the new Transmission Plant that is currently being built
5. Presentation by Changan Ford’s President and CEO Mr. Marin Burela
6. Q&A Session

5/23 Take a flight 南方航空 CZ8179 to Hangzhou in the morning (08:10-10:25 am, 江北机场 T2A, 萧山机场 B 槽). A bus will pick us up at the Hangzhou International Airport to the city of Hangzhou to tour the West Lake (weather permitting) before heading to Huangshan (video). We’ll stay for five nights in Huangshan.

5/24 Visit the Huashan Mystery Cave in the morning and the “Old Street” in Tuangxi in the afternoon.

5/25 Visit households of Huangshan citizens to observe renewable energy usage in Chinese households.

5/26 Visit the surrounding area of Huangshan City and its rural area to get a complete picture of China. Visit Xinli’s mother’s house. Xinli’s mother will host a dinner for us tonight.

5/27 Bus tour to Shanghai (Video) via the Hangzhou Bay Bridge (Video), the World second Longest Bay Bridge (36 km or 22 miles). We will stay for six nights in Shanghai.

5/28 Visit Shanghai Chongming Island, the Dongtan Eco-city Project (another great link).

5/29 One day tour to the Shanghai Disney Resort.

5/30 Visit ExxonMobil (China) Investment Co., Ltd., Shanghai Technology Center, 1099 Zixing Road, Minhang District, Shanghai 200241, P.R. China. Tel: (86 21) 2417 3058.

5/31 One day tour to Suzhou. Experience the high speed train in China and the great landscape in Suzhou. Visit the Shanghai World Financial Center.

6/1 Class discussion/reflection and presentation. Exam. A farewell dinner will be held tonight in Shanghai!

6/2 Class concluded. Departing from the Shanghai Pudong International Airport (PVG) for everyone’s own destination.