SHANGHAI SUMMER 2016

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SHANGHAI

- Shanghai has a population of 36 million people in its metropolitan area
- Plenty to do to keep yourself occupied
- Top Left: Overlooking Pudong, the city’s business hub
- Top Right: The Old City of Shanghai
- Bottom Left: East Nanjing Road, most famous road in Shanghai with shops from all over the world
- Bottom Right: Pudong at night, the TV tower has different light patterns at night
THINGS TO DO IN SHANGHAI

• Whenever you're trying to go anywhere in Shanghai, you'll probably be taking the bus, subway, or cab to get there
  • The bus and subway pass are the same and you will periodically have to load money onto it
    • You will register for a pass when you get to Shanghai
  • The subway system is one of the cleanest and most efficient in the world
• Buses come periodically and are very cheap
• Cabs are a little more expensive than buses or the subway line, but are relatively cheap
• Visit the Shanghai Aquarium, Shanghai City Museum, Shanghai Brewery
• Make sure to check out the nightlife, including clubs, bars, and pubs
• The French Concession attracts many expatriates from all over the world
INTERNSHIP

• I worked at a financial advisory group called Global Wealth Management
• I was nervous did not know what to expect from my internship
• Co-workers were very nice and were willing to help when I had any issues
• I worked mostly on the back-systems
  • Using Excel and Access
• I created a system to easily send out client account valuations on a monthly basis
• The most applicable thing I found about the internship was being able to convey the experience of living and working abroad
• When you apply for your next internship, this experience will pop out to employers on your resume and help get you an interview
• Living and working in China is a unique experience that shows that you have the ability to live by yourself in a foreign country that not many students travel to
  • You also worked there and took care of yourself
HOUSING

- Facilities are higher quality than I was expecting
- There are washing machines and dryers in the rooms
- There is a full kitchen
  - The quality of the kitchen and washing machine may vary by room
- Location is an eight minute walk from the nearest subway line
- Bus stop is located just 2 minutes away
- This can take you to a large terminal subway line at Lujiazui, but not across the river
- The Citic Pentox’s location is far way from the action of Shanghai, but the furnishings are comfortable and you can get to the center of town easily
FOOD

- Shanghai has some of the best food in the world
- You can get great food for both very cheap and expensive
- Make sure to get Xiaolongbao when you’re in Shanghai
  - This is a traditional dumpling originating from Shanghai
- If you end up living in the Citic Pentox, then across the street is a restaurant where they grill meat and vegetables that are both very cheap and delicious
- If you have the ability to travel, make sure you try all the different kinds of foods from the different regions
- There’s no need to be super wary of the food
  - May not be as regulated as the US, but I never got any sort of food poisoning and I ate some wacky food
TRAVEL

- Make sure to take advantage of the cheap and fast train system
- Hostels are cheap and safe in the big cities of China
- You have 8 weekends so use them effectively
  - Make sure to travel at least once or twice if you have the opportunity
  - Traveling with one other person is recommended
- ISA will set up some travel days
- Top Left: The Great Wall of China located outside of Beijing
- Top Right: Terracotta Warriors located in Xian
- Bottom: Forbidden City in the center of Beijing
Hong Kong Island

Biking on the Xian City Wall

Leaving Beijing from the air

Hangzhou

Huangshan Mountain Spring Pools

The Muslim Quarter in Xian
SMOG

• The Smog levels can get pretty bad sometimes, so just be wary to not do too much physical activity outside when there are warnings

• ISA will show you a link to where you can find the constantly changing smog levels