

Study Social Work in China



The Program:

This program will provide a developmental context of China and Hong Kong and the society's ways of viewing social policy, social problems, social justice and social service. Students will participate in an international Social Welfare conference during the travel to the cities of Zuhai, Beijing and Hong Kong. There will be social work site visits and cultural tours as well as interaction with local practitioners and social work educators. Students participate in this program as one of two Social Work Electives: SWK 295 or SWK 699.

Sample Program Activities:

- Interact with social workers in their daily work
- Visit social service, educational, and community development organizations
- Participate in an international conference about social work in an international context, and get a chance to publish your paper in the conference proceedings
- Visit cultural sites such as the Forbidden City and the Great Wall

The Program Fee: \$4,400

Program fees include tuition for one course, round-trip airfare, all accommodations and meals, ground transportation, on-site programming, translations, and international health insurance. Fee does **not** include course textbooks and personal expenses.

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The Course: SWK 295 or SWK 699 International Social Welfare & Social Work

Social welfare policy and social services are shaped by social, political, economic, and cultural forces within a society and among societies. This course focuses on the impact of these forces to develop cross cultural understanding of social development, social policy, social services, and social work issues in China and Hong Kong. It enables students to (a) reflect on their own perspectives and (b) study and observe the social and cultural context of China/HK through experience of the culture and working of both state as well as non-governmental social welfare agencies. The course, which includes an international social welfare conference, will provide a developmental context of China and Hong Kong and the society's ways of viewing social problems, social justice and social service.

The Professor:

Dr. Ngoh Tiong Tan received his Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota; MSW from University of Pennsylvania, and BA from University of Singapore, and he is currently Professor of Social Work at Augsburg College. He has taught and was Vice Dean at the National University of Singapore. He is knowledgeable about social work in Asia and has provided training to businesses, governments and other organizations in China, Singapore, and the USA.

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