U21 Summer School

Asia as the Global Future

Hong Kong – Summer 2006

Many see China and India as upcoming major players each with the potential to transform the geopolitical landscape within two decades. To respond to this change and to develop skill sets that will equip concerned professionals with the ability to prosper, will require an international outlook, with a particular emphasis on Asia. The theme of this Summer Institute is “Asia as the Global Future”. It offers a unique and exceptionally well-structured program on Asian Studies in Hong Kong and the region.

Objectives The aim of this Institute will be to enhance an awareness of the importance of Asia in world affairs. In so doing, it seeks to create an interactive learning environment where international students of high academic caliber combine knowledge acquired from lectures and seminars with an understanding of real world problems through fieldtrips in Hong Kong, Macau and Beijing. The abilities developed during this program will facilitate team building, public speaking skills, as well as creativity and resourcefulness in problem-solving and research. This Institute also aims to improve students’ capacities to apply the materials and ideas to which they have been exposed to different settings and encourage a further interest in Asian affairs.

Academic Credit Participants will receive up to 9 credits from Hong Kong University for successful completion of the course. The McIntire School will transfer 3 credits of these as COM 380, “Business, Government and Society” during the Fall semester.

Costs The University will pay the lodging and program fees ($1,500 – 2,500) for up to four qualified undergraduate students. Participants are responsible for their own airfare (about $1,600) and meals while they are in China. As we’ll be living in dormitories with cooking facilities, these latter costs should be manageable.

Health & Insurance Concerns You will need to visit a travel clinic prior to departure to see what vaccinations you might need, and attend a mandatory briefing by the International Studies Office (ISO) from 5:00 – 6:00 PM, Wednesday, April 19th in Newcomb Hall Theater about managing the risks of SARS and avian flu. You may also wish to consider health, accident, luggage, trip cancellation and interruption insurance costing approximately $50. UVA requires participants to purchase an ISIC card and to register with the ISO before departure.

Travel Arrangements As soon as your participation is confirmed by HKU, we encourage you to purchase your plane tickets, preferably in coordination with Mr. White.

Application Process Complete and submit the attached application form to Mr. White’s office in 210 Monroe Hall by 5:00 PM, Friday, April 7th. The actual selections will be made by a committee balancing fields of study, gender, time at UVA, previous overseas experiences and answers to the personal essays. Successful applicants will be notified by Monday, April 17th.

Course Website www.hku.hk/socse/si/2006/index.html
Universitas 21 – Hong Kong University

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APPLICATION

Name: ____________________________________________ Gender: ______

Social Security Number: ___________ E-mail Address: ________________

Local Address: __________________________________________

Local Phone Number: ___________ Cell Number: ________________

Parents’ Names: ______________________________________

Parents’ Address: ______________________________________

Parents’ Phone Numbers: _________________________________

School / Department: _______________ Graduation Date: _______________

Concentration / Major: _______________ Birth Date: _________________

Cumulative GPA: _______________ Faculty Reference: _________________

Foreign Countries Visited: ______________________________________

Foreign Languages Spoken: _________________________________

Citizenship: __________________________ Passport No.: _______________

Passport Expiration Date: _______________ Passport Remaining Pages: ______

Special Dietary or Medical Requirements: ______________________________

__________________________________________ Do you smoke?: ______

Applications are due in Mr. White’s office (210 Monroe Hall) no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, April 7th. We have a VERY short time frame to select participants!
**Additional Information**

I hereby grant permission for Mr. White to contact either of my parents, guardians, or close relatives listed below if, at Mr. White’s sole discretion, such contact is determined to be appropriate under the circumstances. Such circumstances include, but are not limited to: serious illness or injury, disappearance, arrest or detention by law enforcement agencies, dismissal from the seminar, etc.

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Signature

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Date

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**Health Insurance Information**

Company: ________________________________

Policyholder’s Name: ________________________________

Policy Number: ________________________________

Emergency Phone Number in US: ________________________________
1. Why do you want to participate in this program?

2. After you’ve completed your studies at the University, what do you want to do with your life?