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The ZZULI Visit



Led by Vice President, Professor An Shiwei, a delegation of five from Zhengzhou University of Light Industry visited Buffalo State on November 4, 2016. Dr. Mark Severson, Dean of Natural and Social Sciences and Special Adviser to the Provost for Academic Research Initiatives, and Dr. Robert Summers, Assistant Dean of International and Exchange Programs met the delegation and discussed future collaborations between the two schools on faculty and student exchanges.

Visiting Scholar Meets with Buffalo Schoolchildren

A group of second through fifth grade schoolchildren attended a presentation on traditional Chinese culture at Buffalo State on August 5, 2016. The event was organized by the University of North Carolina (UNC). Ms. Wen Yan, a CCS visiting scholar, presented the students with some interesting information about Chinese culture, including the origin of the name of China, Chinese food and clothing, and some important traditional festivals in China. Ms. Wen also talked about silkworm research at Jiangsu University of Science and Technology in China, where she is a lecturer. The children, some of whom had been to China before, were thrilled with the presentation and were particularly interested in Ms. Wen's descriptions of Chinese food, ancient Chinese clothes, and traditional Chinese festivals.

Wen Yan



Various Events Arranged for 3+2 Students

During the second week of the new semester, the Center for China Studies hosted a welcome lunch and orientation for the new 3+2 students on campus. Dean Mark Severson, of the Faculty of Natural and Social Sciences, delivered some welcoming remarks. Dr. Jean Gounard, Director of International Student Affairs, also spoke to those attending. Also present at the event were those faculty members actively involved in the recruitment and advisement of 3+2 students over the past few years:

Jimmy Xu, Jing Zhang, Lin Xia Jiang, Tao Tang, and Kevin Qian. Ms. Wang Ziwei, an older 3+2 student, shared some stories of her experiences at Buffalo State with a PowerPoint presentation. Dr. Robert Summers, Assistant Dean of International and Exchange Programs, sent his greetings to the new students. It was a very informative session for Buffalo State's new 3+2 students.

The Center for China Studies also organized a Mid-Autumn Festival celebration party for visiting scholars and 3+2 students. The Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival, or the Moon Festival, is held on August 15 of the Chinese lunar calendar. This year, the date corresponded to Thursday, September 15. The Moon Festival is one of the most important holidays in China and is a time for family reunions. It is a time for the family to join together for dinner and to gaze at the full autumn moon and eat delicious moon cakes, the traditional dessert for this occasion. At noon on this date, the CCS organized a celebration party for the visiting scholars from China and all the 3+2 students currently on campus.



On November 10, 2016, a pre-Thanksgiving dinner was prepared for all the 3+2 students on campus. This event was again organized by the Center for China Studies and funded by the International and Exchange Programs. Those attending the dinner included Dean Mark Severson of the School of Natural and Social Sciences, Dean Wendy Patterson of the School of Education, and Dr. Robert Summers, Assistant Dean of the International and Exchange Programs. Dean Severson first introduced the new students to the traditional foods popularly found on the American Thanksgiving dinner table. Dean Patterson then told the story behind the Thanksgiving holiday, and Dr. Summers offered some thankful remarks that were followed by some thoughtful comments by the students.



Chinese Visiting Scholars Participated in Research and Creativity Fall Forum



The Annual Fall Forum is an ideal venue for exhibiting and sharing our creative academic pursuits, and visiting scholars hosted by the Center for China Studies have always been eager participants. Their topics covered a wide spectrum of disciplines such as sociology, economics, literature, management, and biology. The participants welcomed this opportunity to present some information about their diverse scholarly endeavors and the basic and applied research to which they devote their time, energy, and talent. The occasion also presented an opportunity to make further progress by engaging in cross-discipline and cross-department communication.

Liu Peigang

Visiting Scholars Enjoyed Thanksgiving in Advance

With Thanksgiving Day approaching, all the current Chinese visiting scholars were invited to participate in a local family's Thanksgiving luncheon on Oct. 10. The house was decorated with pumpkins and balloons to evoke the joyful atmosphere of Thanksgiving Day. The luncheon began with welcoming remarks by the host, Professor Steve Macho, who expressed his best wishes for Thanksgiving to everyone attending. The Chinese visiting scholars, accompanied by Dr. Zhang Jie, Director of the CCS, enjoyed a delightful and impressive Thanksgiving luncheon with the gracious host family.

In addition, all the scholars were invited to visit a typical dairy farm, where they were given a tour of the farm and shown how the milk is collected and processed.

This Thanksgiving celebration made the Chinese visiting scholars feel at home and provided them with an opportunity to experience American culture and communicate with a local family.

Hu Kaiwen



Visitors at the Machos

The CCS Fall 2016 Seminar

The Center for China Studies Fall 2016 Seminar sponsored by the Office of International and Exchange Programs was successfully held in Classroom Building A307 on Tuesday October 11. Two graduate students from China offered presentations at the seminar.

Hu Kaiwen, from South China University of Technology, presented a lecture entitled "Architecture in China," which provided a detailed introduction to the ancient architecture of China. The types of ancient architecture in China are generally divided into four styles: palace architecture, garden architecture, residential architecture, and temple architecture. The students were most interested in Tu Lou from Fujian Province shown in the picture and asked a lot of questions about this style of architecture, which looks like a missile launching silo.



Liu Yue, from Hunan University of Science and Technology, gave a talk about her beautiful hometown of Xing Yi, a city located in an area where Guizhou, Yunnan and Guangxi Provinces intersect. Because of the abundant gold deposits in this region and the rapid development of gold-related industries it was named "China's Golden Prefecture" in 2005. Liu Yue used videos and pictures to introduce the beautiful scenery, pleasant climate, and colorful culture of her hometown.

The CCS Seminars offered each semester at Buffalo State help to broaden the international perspective of college students and provide an important venue for cultural exchange between Chinese and Americans. The Center for China Studies at Buffalo State remains an important sponsor for such activities and will continue to serve with passion and enthusiasm.

Jia Boqun



Hu Kaiwen Speaks at the Seminar

New Visiting Scholars from China

The Center for China Studies is hosting sixteen new visiting scholars from China this fall. They are from thirteen different universities representing various fields of study. - *Jia Boqun*

Liu Yali, Associate Professor of history from East China University of Science and Technology, is here for a one-year.

Hu Jianbo, Associate Professor and Associate Dean of Education at Hunan University of Science and Technology, was here for about three months.

Wen Yan, a Lecturer from Jiangsu University of Science and Technology, studies biochemistry and molecular biology and plans to remain at Buffalo State for a one-year visit.

Zhang Ye, Associate Professor of business administration from Jiangsu University of Science and Technology, is here for a half-year visit.

Yan Haiying, majoring in English language and literature at Jiangsu University of Science and Technology, is here for a half-year visit.

Wang Hong, Associate Professor from the University of Jinan, majors in international trade and is here for a half-year visit.

Zhou Xianfeng, Professor at Hunan University of Science and Technology, majors in education and is here for a one-year visit.

Yu Xucai, Professor of education at Hunan University of Science and Technology, is interested in gender and education and is here for a one-year visit.

Xu Jian, Associate Professor in advertising design and creativity at Zhengzhou University, is here for a one-year visit.

Xiao Zhifang, majoring in English language and literature at Shandong University of Arts, is here for a half-year visit.

Jia Boqun, a Ph.D. student at Renmin University of China, majors in management philosophy and is here for a one-year visit.

Liu Peigang, a Ph.D. student at Central University of Finance and Economics, majors in national economics and is here for a half-year visit.

Ren Shuzheng, a Ph.D. student at Central China Normal University, majors in sociology and is here for a one-year visit.

Wei Xinyue, a graduate student from Anhui Normal University, studies English language and literature and is here for a half-year visit.

Hu Kaiwen, a graduate student from South China University of Technology, majors in architecture design and is here for a half-year visit.

Liu Yue, a graduate student from Hunan University of Science and Technology, studies ideological and political education and is here for a half-year visit.

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