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China Scholarship Council Supports Ph.D. Candidates' Study at Buffalo State

Beginning in 2007, the China Scholarship Council initiated a five-year plan to sponsor 5000 Ph.D. students each year to study abroad. Buffalo State



Visiting Scholars at a Research Foundation Event.

has accepted eight such scholars from the Central University of Finance and Economics in Beijing for the 2007–2008 academic year. The eight are currently working with their assigned mentors in the Economics and Finance, Geography and Urban Planning, and Sociology Departments. While studying with faculty members and exploring prospects for future research collaboration, they are contribut-



Visiting Scholars Attending an International Conference at Ohio University

ing significantly to the internationalization of Buffalo State. Interested faculty and staff are invited to contact these visiting scholars through the departments mentioned above or the Center for China Studies.

First Undergraduate Study Abroad Student Arrives from China

As Buffalo State attempts to recruit more international students from the People's Republic of China, we are pleased to announce the arrival of the first Chinese student on campus for a one year

study abroad program, in which she pays tuition and fees to Buffalo State. Ms. Liu Shasha is a psychology major from the Central University of Finance and Economics. Following her year here she will return to Beijing to complete her bachelor's degree. Arrangements are currently being made by International and Exchange Programs for several other Chinese students to participate in the same program.

CCS Seminar Focuses on the Fast Growing Economy in China

On October 30, four Ph.D. candidates currently on exchange from the Central University of Finance and Economics in Beijing offered an overview of the Chinese economy during the past twenty years of



After the Seminar Presentation.

economic reform and expansion. During their presentations, they provided a variety of perspectives on economic growth and environmental protection, the urban and industrial economy, and the rural and agricultural economy. We wish to thank the participants, Mr. Lu Wenhao, Ms. Yan Lili, Mr. Ren Huilin, and Ms. Han Linzhi, for their informative and insightful presentations. The seminar was sponsored by the Center for China Studies and the Dean of University College.

Dalian Medical University Marks 60th Anniversary

For the 60th anniversary of Dalian Medical University, one of Buffalo State's sister universities in China, President Muriel Howard sent Mr. Edgar Turkle, Dr. Zhang Jie, and Dr. William Wieczorek to

Dalian on her behalf to participate in the university's celebration of this significant event. President Howard also sent a warm letter of congratulations to DMU honoring this milestone in the history of their institution.



At the Celebration Ceremony.

Chinese Criminal Justice Professor Collaborates with Buffalo State Faculty

On September 21, Dr. Wu Zongxian, professor of criminology at Beijing Normal University, visited Buffalo State. He conferred with Dr. Virginia Grabiner and Dr. Timothy McCorry of the Sociology Department and Dr. Kathleen Contrino of the Criminal Justice Department. They are working on a project that will survey judges in China regarding the administration of justice there. Dr. Wu enjoyed the hospitality of Buffalo State's Research Foundation. He also had an opportunity to tour some of the local sights, such as Letchworth State Park and Niagara Falls.



Professor Wu Zongxian on Campus.

Visiting Artists Bring Chinese Student Work to Buffalo State

An exhibition of student artwork from Capital Normal University in Beijing was displayed in the Upton Hall Gallery October 25–November 6. The show featured 120 works, including graphic design, oil painting, and traditional Chinese painting. Accompanying the show were two CNU art professors, Hao Xueting (graphic design) and Chen Wei (oil painting). The opening reception was held on October 30 and the professors offered several lectures during their visit. Professors Lin Xia Jiang (fine arts) and Richard Ross (design) coordinated the exhibit and presentations. Professors Jiang and Ross traveled to Beijing last summer to curate the student work at CNU and will be returning this November along with Mr. Ted Turkle (director of the Research Foundation) and Dr. Benjamin Christy (dean of arts & humanities) for the opening at CNU of an exhibit of artwork by Buffalo State students.



CNU Artists Hao Xueting and Chen Wei.

Buffalo State Welcomes New Faculty Members with Chinese Interests

Dr. Michael Cretacci received his Ph.D. from SUNY Albany's School of Criminal Justice in 2002. His teaching interests include criminal procedure and criminal law, criminology, and multicide. Dr. Cretacci has been working with a colleague from Capital Normal University on applying self-control theory in a Chinese context. He is also examining attitudes that Chinese police in Hangzhou have towards their jobs

and is helping develop a training program for police recruits to prepare them for assignment in the West. Dr. Cretacci is married to Zong Yanyan, of Chinese origin, who received her Ph.D. from SUNY Albany in environmental chemistry and toxicology. She currently teaches part-time in the Chemistry Department at Buffalo State. Both are supporting orphanages in China.

Dr. Ruth Xiaoqing Guo has joined the faculty of Buffalo State's Computer Information Systems Department. She earned her Ph.D. in technology studies from the University of British Columbia and has taught in teacher education programs at the University of Ottawa, University of British Columbia, and Chinese universities. Dr. Guo's research interests include integrating technology into educational curriculum, the 'digital divide', constructivist pedagogy, 'multiliteracies', video ethnography, and information and communication technology literacy and assessment. She is an active member of various professional associations, including the American Educational Research Association (AERA).

Buffalo State Pre-Olympics China Trip Departs May 13, 2008

The Center for China Studies is organizing its eighth trip to China for Buffalo State faculty and staff. Scheduled less than three months prior to the games in Beijing, this may be regarded as our pre-Olympics China tour.

The departure date from Buffalo is tentatively set for Tuesday, May 13, 2008 and the return for May 23, 2008. Participants will travel to Beijing, Shanghai, Hangzhou (or Suzhou), and Xi'an. The price will include roundtrip airfare, hotel, meals, and miscellaneous tickets and fees. The final cost per person will be announced soon. It may be somewhat higher than previous China trips due to the fast growing Chinese economy and the upcoming Olympic Games.

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