

**Proposal for High Schools
IGCSE/IB Study Abroad Program for 2015
Proposed City: Beijing**

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About Next Step China, LLC

Next Step China, LLC was founded by Mr. Derek Capo and Ms. Amethyst Wytium in November of 2008 after experiencing a poorly organized study abroad program in China. Next Step China's mission is to provide customers a high quality, hassle-free China experience. NSC was incorporated in the United States of America as well as the People's Republic of China to assure customers of our compliance to operating in both countries and has already served over 500 participants from all over the world.

Below is the background of the Next Step China management team that will work with Centre College.

Derek Capo – Chief Executive Officer - Derek Capo is originally from Miami, Florida USA. He received his Bachelor's of Business Administration with a concentration in Finance at Florida International University. Previously, Derek worked at Smith Barney and at Everest Capital, a \$3 billion multi-strategy hedge fund, as a stock and bond analyst.

Derek is fluent in English, Spanish and Mandarin. He has resided in Beijing, China for the past four years. He likes to teach participants how to successfully bargain in China – it's his specialty.

Amethyst Wytium – Chief Operating Officer - Amy is originally from the Philippines and received her Bachelor's of Business Administration at De LaSalle University Manila with a concentration in Marketing Management and her Master's at Ateneo de Manila in Public Management. Amy also worked for the United Nations, the Mexican Embassy, a World Trade Organization subsidiary and also founded a tropical flower distribution business.

Amy is fluent in English, Mandarin, Tagalog (Philippine dialect), Spanish and Fukien (Chinese Dialect). She has resided in Beijing for the past four years and considers China to be her second home. She enjoys meeting new people.

Li Qingjing – Intensive Chinese Program Coordinator - Jane is originally from Hubei province and graduated at Hubei's Television and Radio University. Jane is one of Next Step China's most experienced tutors. She has been teaching Chinese for more than 15 years. Since 2004 she has dedicated herself to teaching foreigners given her gift to adapt to the demands of students of all ages and proficiency levels. She has taught classes of 30 or more students and private lessons with high level international executives and diplomatic ambassadors. Jane prides herself in her ability to work on strengths and weaknesses of a student using a patient but professional approach.

Jane hopes to not only help students improve their language skills, but also to share the charms of China with them. She loves to spend time with her family, swimming and cook.

Next Step China is Perfect for UCSEA

Next Step China is among the leaders in immersion programs. Our keen ability to develop and execute successfully custom high quality programs for children, elementary, middle schools, high schools, universities and our clients worldwide is what sets us apart from the competition. We understand the importance of producing a high quality education program.

Next Step China is in full compliance with the laws regarding student exchange programs in both the United States and China. Believe it or not, some study abroad programs don't operate strictly within the laws of all countries in which they host students.

Next Step China staff has more than 40 years of hands on experience with international students, professionals, and government officials. We understand the level of services demanded of us from all parties involved. Next Step China takes pride in being detail-oriented and quick to respond to clients' needs.

Next Step China has been featured in media all over the world.



Next Step China maintains an 'A+' rating with the Better Business Bureau. We also participate in the Better Business Bureau's (BBB's) Trustlink Program.

Next Step China's staff is fluent in English, Mandarin, and Spanish. The exposure to multi-lingual and multi-culture environment within Next Step China's staff members already broadens the mind and horizons of your students.

Next Step China's staff is readily available and able to communicate with you in your native language before, during, and after your student's stay in China. In addition to toll free phone numbers, you can also contact Next Step China via a Skype account or online contact form. Inquiries are responded to within 24 hours.

Next Step China takes the extra steps needed to make sure that you and your students are ready for the study abroad experience. We not only work with the participants but family of the participants if any issue were to arise.

Next Step China has created processes and guides to help schools and universities feel comfortable about having their students study abroad in China. We provide very detailed guides prior to the arrival of the student and detailed orientations before the start of their program.

Major Objectives of the Course:

The major objectives of the course are to:

1. Provide a fun, educational and hassle free environment to living and travelling in China
2. Enable the students to develop an appreciation and understanding of the nature of the language and the process of language learning, which comprises the integration of linguistic, cultural and social components.
3. Encourage an awareness and understanding of the perspectives of people from their own and other cultures, leading to involvement and action in their own and other communities
4. Provide an exposure to an international environment or community in China
5. Develop curiosity, inquiry and lifelong interest in, and enjoyment of language learning.

This program is open to all High School students who are interested in developing their confidence and proficiency in the Chinese. The curriculum is also geared towards their preparation for studying IGCSE/IB Chinese as a second language. It is also for those who are thinking about future careers in areas where spoken Chinese would be extraordinarily helpful, such as government, business, public relations, commerce, marketing, travel, etc.

Beijing City

Beijing is one of China's true ancient citadels. It is also an aspiring, confident and modern city. A vast and symmetrical metropolis, Beijing is known to be the center for government offices where you can see the orderly seat of the communist political power in China. The architecture traces from 1949 to the present. You can be appreciating a blank Soviet-style monument and spot a vast, shimmering tower rising up in the center of Beijing's commercial district. Although there have been changes throughout history, you can clearly see the richness of China's history and culture by simply exploring Beijing.

Why Beijing?

Perhaps the best place to study abroad in China, Beijing is the capital of the People's Republic of China. It has also served as the capital of China through two dynasties (Ming and Qing) before the 1911 founding of the Republic. Beijing is the center of government, but it is also rich in modern and traditional architecture. It combines the comforts of a truly modern city with the art, culture, and tradition of a truly ancient city. Additionally, Beijing is the best place to learn Mandarin Chinese, the official language of the People's Republic of China, as Mandarin was originally formed from the Beijing dialect.



Places to visit for first timers are (To name a few): The Great Wall, Tiananmen Square and The Forbidden Palace. Students learn more about Chinese culture and the language during their trip. Students learn faster by speaking to citizens of Beijing.

Beijing offers participants to live in a city growing rapidly while still having the time to enjoy the cultural history and beauty that China has to offer. Former Next Step China participants who have tried studying in both Shanghai and Beijing mention that there is no other place in China that offers this mix in a way that enhances the experience of living in China while being constantly exposed to Mandarin.

Course Proposals

Next Step China was able to create a schedule of activities to provide a general view of what students will be doing in their program. Detailed description of the course curriculum are not included and will be presented until contract has been initiated with Next Step China.

High School 1 Week Program

Day	Start Time	End Time	Activity	Notes
Day 1 (Sun)	14:40	17:30	Arrival: SQ802 - Drop off in accommodations	
	17:30	18:30	NSC Welcome Orientation	
	18:30	19:30	NSC Immediate Surroundings orientation	Includes going to the grocery
	19:30	20:30	Dinner	
Day 2 (Mon)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	9:30	NSC Neighborhood Orientation	
	10:00	11:30	Follow-up Language Assessment	Group/Class Assignment will be given for classes
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	16:30	16:45	Break	
16:45	18:15	Class	Indoor	
18:30	20:30	Welcome Dinner - Beijing Roast Duck	Wear smart casual	
Day 3 (Tue)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Movie Night
19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring		
Day 4 (Wed)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	16:15	Teen Immersion Activity	Houhai and Hutongs
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Basketball Night
19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring		

Day	Start Time	End Time	Activity	Notes
Day 5 (Thu)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Water Balloon fight at Bajiadi countryside Park
	19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring	
Day 6 (Fri)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Bowling Night
19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring		
Day 7 (Sat)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	09:00*	10:30*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring	
	11:00	12:30	Lunch	
	13:00	17:00	Teen Immersion Activity	Chinese National Museum
	18:30	20:30	NSC Farewell Dinner	
Day 8 (Sun)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	11:00	12:30	Lunch	
	13:00		Departure from accommodations to airport	
	16:45		Departure: SQ807	

High School 2 Week Program

Day	Start Time	End Time	Activity	Notes
Day 1 (Sun)	14:40	17:30	Arrival: SQ802 - Drop off in accommodations	
	17:30	18:30	NSC Welcome Orientation	
	18:30	19:30	NSC Immediate Surroundings orientation	Includes going to the grocery
	19:30	20:30	Dinner	
Day 2 (Mon)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	9:30	NSC Neighborhood Orientation	
	10:00	11:30	Follow-up Language Assessment	Group/Class Assignment will be given for classes
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	16:30	16:45	Break	
16:45	18:15	Class	Indoor	
18:30	20:30	Welcome Dinner - Beijing Roast Duck	Wear smart casual	
Day 3 (Tue)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Movie Night
19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring		
Day 4 (Wed)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	16:15	Teen Immersion Activity	Houhai and hutongs
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Basketball Night
19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring		
Day 5 (Thu)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Water Balloon fight at Bajiadi countryside Park
19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring		

Day	Start Time	End Time	Activity	Notes
Day 6 (Fri)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Bowling Night
	19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring	
Day 7 (Sat)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	09:00*	10:30*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring	
	11:00	12:30	Lunch	
	13:00	17:00	Teen Immersion Activity	Chinese National Museum
	18:30	20:30	Dinner	
Day 8 (Sun)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	11:00	12:30	Lunch	
	13:00	18:00	NSC Weekend Activity	Trip to the Great Wall
	18:30	20:30	Dinner	
Day 9 (Mon)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Game night: Board Games
19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring		
Day 10 (Tue)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Scavenger Hunt
	19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring	

Day	Start Time	End Time	Activity	Notes
Day 11 (Wed)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	16:15	Teen Immersion Activity	Sanlitun and Yashow Market
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Badminton
	19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring	
Day 12 (Thu)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	S'mores Night or Barbecue Night
19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring		
Day 13 (Fri)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	8:30	10:00	Class	Indoor
	10:00	10:15	Break	
	10:15	11:45	Class	Indoor
	11:45	13:00	Lunch	
	13:15	14:45	Class	Indoor
	14:45	15:00	Break	
	15:00	16:30	Class	Indoor
	18:30	19:30	Dinner	
	19:30	21:30	NSC Evening Activity	Quiz Night: When Random Facts Attack!
19:30*	21:00*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring		
Day 14 (Sat)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	09:00*	10:30*	Optional: NSC one-on-one tutoring	
	11:00	12:30	Lunch	
	13:00	17:00	Teen Immersion Activity	Chinese Calligraphy, Chinese songs and dumpling making
	18:30	19:30	NSC Farewell Dinner	
Day 15 (Sun)	7:00	8:00	Breakfast	
	11:00	12:30	Lunch	
	13:00		Departure from accommodations to airport	
	16:45		Departure: SQ807	

Chinese Language Program

There are 2 Programs for High School: IGCSE or IB

Chinese Proficiency Levels Available (NOTE: This can be adjusted according to the needs of the school. Next Step China can provide 2 to 3 Chinese level classes.)	Next Step China can provide 2 to 3 Chinese level classes. Students will be placed with classes that suit their level.	Books/References: Chinese Made Easy Books 4 & 5 Easy Steps to Chinese Books 5-8 Road to Success - Series New concept Chinese - Series IB Diploma Study Guide Chinese Language B AP Chinese Language and Culture
Class Hours Per Week	27	
Activity Immersion Hours Per Week	7	
Estimated Hours for Homework per week	15	
Student-Teacher Ratio	5:1	

Books	New concept Chinese	Road to Success	IB Diploma Study Guide Chinese Language B	AP Chinese Language and Culture
Book Notes	in a series	in a series	a book	a book
Students' level requires	From 0 to HSK4	no limited	from HSK3 to upper	from HSK3 to upper

Chinese Language Indoor Classes Sample General Plan

中学 High School									
天数 Days	星期 Week	课程安排 Activity or Class	生词数 (左 右) New words(estimate)	零基础学生 Beginner		生词数 (左 右) New words(estimate)	水平 1 的学生 Student with level 1		
				主要内容 Main Content for IB			主要内容 Main Content for IGCSE		
1	星期一	1 考试	0	考试	考试	0	考试	考试	
		2 上课	12	动作的态+阅读话题	新课	12	了 1+"是.....的"+“过”+话题	新课	
		3 上课	12	动作的态+文化话题	新课	12	了 2+时量补语+话题	新课	
		4 上课	12	写作	新课	12	了 2+动量补语+话题	新课	
2	星期二	1 上课	12	补语 1+阅读话题	新课	12	存现句 (在+是+有) +话题	新课	
		2 上课	12	补语 1+阅读话题	新课	12	存现句 (着) +话题	新课	
		3 上课	12	文化	新课	12	“着”+话题	新课	
		4 上课	12	写作	新课	0	复习	复习	
3	星期三	1 上课	12	补语 2+阅读话题	新课	12	情态补语 (程度补语) +话题	新课	
		2 上课	12	补语 2+文化	新课	12	结果补语+话题	新课	
		3 活动	12	活动并进行语言实践	练习	12	活动并进行语言实践	练习	
		4 活动	12	活动并进行语言实践	练习	12	活动并进行语言实践	练习	
4	星期四	1 上课	12	补语 3+阅读话题	新课	12	结果补语+话题	新课	
		2 上课	12	补语 3+文化	新课	12	结果补语+话题	新课	
		3 上课	12	写作	新课	12	简单的趋向补语+话题	新课	
		4 上课	12	写作	新课	12	简单的趋向补语+话题	新课	
5	星期五	1 上课	12	阅读话题	新课	12	复杂的趋向补语+话题	新课	
		2 上课	12	文化	新课	12	复杂的趋向补语+话题	新课	
		3 上课	12	写作	新课	0	复习	复习	
		4 上课	0	复习	复习	0	复习	复习	
6	星期六	活动	0	活动并进行语言实践	练习		活动并进行语言实践	练习	
7	星期日	NSC 活动	0						
8	星期一	1 上课	0	复习	复习	0	复习	复习	
		2 上课	12	阅读	新课	12	可能补语 (了) +话题	新课	
		3 上课	12	文化	新课	12	可能补语 (由结果补语转变的) +话题	新课	
		4 上课	12	写作	新课	12	可能补语 (由趋向补语转变的) +话题	新课	

天数 Days	星期 Week	课程安排 Activity or Class	生词数 (左 右) New words(estimate)	零基础学生 Beginner		生词数 (左 右) New words(estimate)	水平 1 的学生 Student with level 1	
				主要内容 Main Content for IB			主要内容 Main Content for IGCSE	
9	星期二	1 上课	12	阅读	新课	12	把 1 字句+话题	新课
		2 上课	12	文化	新课	12	把 1 字句+话题	新课
		3 上课	12	写作	新课	12	把 2 字句+话题	新课
		4 上课	12	写作	新课	12	被字句+话题	新课
10	星期三	1 上课	12	阅读	新课	15	词汇拓展+复习	新课+复习
		2 上课	12	文化	新课	15	词汇拓展+复习	新课+复习
		3 活动	12	活动并进行语言实践	练习	12	活动并进行语言实践	练习
		4 活动	12	活动并进行语言实践	练习	12	活动并进行语言实践	练习
11	星期四	1 上课	12	阅读	新课	15	词汇拓展+语法的综合运用+话题	新课
		2 上课	12	文化	新课	15	词汇拓展+语法的综合运用+话题	新课
		3 上课	12	写作	新课	15	词汇拓展+语法的综合运用+话题	新课
		4 上课	12	写作	新课	0	复习	复习
12	星期五	1 上课	0	复习	复习	0	复习	复习
		2 上课	0	复习	复习	0	复习	复习
		3 上课	0	复习	复习	0	复习	复习
		4 考试	0	考试	考试	0	考试	考试
Total New Words			396			375		

Activity Immersion Choices

Next Step China's teen immersion activities always allows the students to speak more and build the confidence in communicating in Chinese with their peers and the local residents.

Next Step China provides several options for teen immersion activities. Schools can pick from more than 30 activity options that they want their students to be immersed in. A full list of activities will be given at the signing of the contract. Here are some samples for so you can see how Next Step China incorporates these activities with learning Chinese language and culture:

Activity	Description
Calligraphy 书法	<p>Chinese calligraphy: is a form of calligraphy practiced and learned by all Chinese locals as a part of their history and culture. Chinese painting and calligraphy distinguish themselves from other cultural arts because they emphasize motion and are charged with dynamic life (Source/Paraphrased from: Wikipedia).</p> <p>For Beginner Learners: Not everyone can just pick up a brush and start writing Chinese characters and call it Chinese calligraphy. There is a certain posture and form that you have to follow and will help you understand the importance of stroke order when learning Chinese characters. Your teacher will be teaching you the basic stroke orders and you'll be learning how to write the characters you know (Including your name) in Chinese calligraphy by the end of the session.</p> <p>For Intermediate/Advance Learners: When you know how to write and recognize characters using a pen, knowing how to do it with a Chinese calligraphy brush sets you apart and shows your patience in learning the language. Not all students in your home country can say that they know how to write using a 毛笔 so try to set yourself apart by being one of those special individuals who can. Like learning a new language, Chinese calligraphy takes time and practice.</p>
Paper Cutting 剪纸	<p>Chinese Paper Cutting: Paper was credited with being created in China and with that creation came the idea to design shapes from the paper which started the art of paper cutting. Chinese paper cuts are used as decorations and are believed to bring luck to those that display them.</p> <p>For Beginner Learners:</p> <p>Chinese paper cutting requires patience and skill and one must be very careful while making the cut. There are various basic objects and Chinese characters that can be integrated into a design. During the activity period the teacher will go over the instruments and products that are needed for paper cutting as well as help you trace out a few simple objects/characters that you will cut and create your very own Chinese paper cutting!</p> <p>For Intermediate/Advance Learners</p> <p>Just like the beginners learners you will go over the instruments and products that are needed for paper cutting but the teachers will go into detail on the history of paper cutting and talk about the significance of the most popular paper cutting that are seen around Beijing. You will have the chance to choose the character or object of your paper cutting. A piece of advice for those trying to cut difficult characters for the first time to remember is that it involves quite a bit of artistic skill and practice to master.</p>

Activity	Description
Taiji class 太极拳	<p>Taiji Class: The ancient art of taiji is practiced by many individuals in the parks and homes of China. It is highly complex and takes years to master but to the untrained eye it first appears as just a series of controlled movements that are linked together. The principles of Taiji allow the user a different perspective on their outlook of the world the forces that go into it.</p> <p>For Beginner Learners: You will be shown through video with your teacher the basic principles and vocabulary that goes into the basic forms of taiji. If this is something you enjoy it is worth the time and effort to practice on your own once you return home. I am sure during your time here you will come across a master of Taiji in one of the parks in Beijing.</p> <p>For Intermediate/Advance Learners: You will be shown through video the movements of Taiji as well as being told by your teachers the history and philosophy behind Taiji. You will be tested physically and mentally as it is a complete way of thinking about the world in general.</p>
Kungfu class 八极拳	<p>Kungfu Class: Kungfu and its many different variations has been studied in China for thousands of years. There are countless different styles to choose from and is not to be generalized like you see in so many western movies.</p> <p>For Beginner Learners: You will be watching a kungfu video with your teacher that will highlight the different techniques needed for kungfu. Your teacher will explain the basic commands and movements to you in Chinese. This is a great introduction to kungfu in Chinese and if you feel comfortable and would like to try something more challenging you can try out the high intensity kungfu class held at the kungfu school located at ground floor of the office building that Next Step China is located in.</p> <p>For Intermediate/Advance Learners: You will be watching a kungfu video with your teacher and they will explain the fundamentals of kungfu. Your teacher will show the basic movements and forms of kungfu as well as discussing the history and philosophy behind it. This is a great introduction to kungfu in Chinese and if you feel comfortable and would like to try something more challenging you can try out the high intensity kungfu class held at the kungfu school located at ground floor of the office building that Next Step China is located in.</p>
Silk market 秀水	<p>Silk market: A massive shopping complex of individual booths that house an enormous amount of knock-offs ranging from watches, handbags, footwear, and various other products. Be prepared to haggle otherwise you will end up spending way too much on something that is very cheap. The vendors love to multiply the prices by at least ten times the value when they think they spot an easy mark. It is an excellent place to practice your haggling skills as well as pick up some great gifts to take back home for friends and family. The silk market vendors are very familiar with foreign shoppers so do not be surprised when you hear vendor saying hello in 7 different languages!</p> <p>For Beginner Learners: This is a great time to practice your haggling skills with your teacher and putting into practice the vocabulary that relates to cheap/expensive, quality, and inquiring the price of something. It is important to know when to walk away and then come back later with a lower price and the phrase “I saw it for cheaper at another store”.</p> <p>For Intermediate/Advance Learners: A great place to work on advanced bargaining vocabulary with your teacher while using it to reach the lowest price possible. At your Chinese level you will be able to enquire what are the materials used in the product and why it is better from the seller in the next stall. Your teacher will have you buying at “Chinese Prices” before the day is out. Once you finish speaking with the seller they won’t be very excited to know that you know Chinese!</p>

Activity	Description
Tianyi Shopping Plaza 天意新商场	<p>Tianyi Shopping Plaza: When in Beijing along with the more than 24 million people living here there is always someone trying to sell you something. The Tianyi Shopping Plaza is in the mid-range level when it comes to prices. It stores sell everything from electronics and clothing to children's toys. Get ready for some intense sellers as soon as they see a foreigner they will be much more likely to try and sell you something.</p> <p>For Beginner Learners: It is all about bargaining. Your Chinese ability is not something that should hold you back and as long as you have confidence you can get some really good deals. Your teacher will teach you basic bargaining phrases and review your numbers before you try to bargain for some goods.</p> <p>For Intermediate/Advance Learners: If you are looking for some particular item in Beijing this is a good place to look for it. A good time to work on advanced bargaining vocabulary with your teacher and using it to reach the lowest price possible. At your Chinese level you will be able to ask the seller why their product is better than the person selling it only two stores down.</p>
Temple of Heaven 天坛	<p>Temple of Heaven: The Temple of Heaven was constructed during a 14 year period and was completed in 1420. It was visited by the emperor who would pray to heaven in the hopes for a plentiful harvest. Throughout the years it has faced fires and invading forces but it has endured and continues to impress the countless visitors that come every year.</p> <p>For Beginner Learners: Taking the subway there you will need to ask for directions from a local or someone working at the subway station for the directions on how to get the north gate from the subway. Once inside, you and your teacher will go over the importance the directions of North-South-West-East in China. The color scheme that is used in the Temple of Heaven has great cultural significance and is a good time for you to review your colors. Don't forget to take plenty of pictures and get the classic shot of you on top of The Circular Mound Altar as well as explore the park that surrounds the temple.</p> <p>For Intermediate/Advance Learners: Your teacher and you will discuss the building process and the historical significance that the Temple of Heaven during the dynasty period for the Chinese people. Many older Chinese come to the park that surrounds the temple to exercise and enjoy the tree filled park. This is a great time to cast aside your nervousness and strike up a conversation with native Beijinger.</p>
Tiananmen Square and The Forbidden City 天安门广场-故宫	<p>Tiananmen Square and The Forbidden City: Known around the world Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City are the symbols of China's current and past might. The Forbidden City is located at the north end of Tiananmen Square which is the largest public square in the world. Standing in the middle of the square it's hard not to stand in awe by the size and history that surrounds you while your there. It is easy to see the entrance to the Forbidden City from Tiananmen Square as it directly below the massive portrait of Mao Zedong.</p> <p>For Beginner Learners: With so much history packed into this small area it's almost impossible to run out of questions to ask your teacher. Like so many other famous spots in Beijing, Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City are built on the north-south axis and this area is considered the direct center of Beijing. Your teacher will point out and discuss the numerous famous buildings and landmarks that surround Tiananmen. Once inside the Forbidden City your teacher will introduce you to the history of the palace and how its importance has changed from when it was first built to present day.</p> <p>For Intermediate/Advance Learners: You and your teacher will discuss the importance and history of Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City. If it is your first time visiting it certainly is a great time discuss the challenge of modernizing China but also keeping in touch with its history.</p>

Activity Immersion Details:

Before activity 上车前

There is a roll call for checking attendance of the students. 学生是否到齐

During transport 车上活动

Goal 1 第一目的: To remember words, correct pronunciation and practice usage of words 词汇记忆、正音及运用

Materials/Tools 工具: Flash cards 卡片

Process 做法:

Steps	Specific Tasks	Notes
1. Divide Students into groups and also review their peer's words 分组, 学生互相检查		
2. Students read the cards 学生看卡片, 轮流出词汇		
3. Students raise their hands or provide a signal to be the first to answer the questions of the teacher 老师问, 学生抢答, 并记分	1. Students translates in Chinese what the teacher says in English 老师说英语, 学生说汉语 2. Students mention the meaning of the word in Chinese 老师说汉语, 学生说意思 3. Students guess the word from clues given by the teacher. 老师说中文意思, 学生说词	
4. Students make sentences with given words 老师给生词, 学生说句子		
5. Students review words by playing "Word Chain" Game 词语拓展: 词语接龙		

Goal 2 第二目的: To Further understand grammar and practice usages or how to say words in sentences

Process 做法:

Steps	Specific Tasks	Notes
1. Teacher gives each student a card on which there is explanation of grammar and different examples. 语法卡片, 并有示例。每个人一张, 每张的例子不一样。		
2. Each student reads what they have. 每个学生把自己手上的卡片上的句子读一次		
3. Students use grammar given to make sentences. 学生用语法造句		

During the Activity 参观

Goal 目的: Visiting famous places and to know Chinese history and culture, and put what they learn in classes into practice. 参观名胜古迹, 了解中国的历史文化, 将所学复制与所用。

Materials/Tools 工具: Pictures, photos, cards, and so on 照片、图片、卡片等

Process 做法:

Steps	Specific Tasks	Notes
1. Complete Chinese activities or tasks assigned by the teacher: Buying Tickets 学生完成: 买票任务		Each time, a different student will be assigned to finish this task and give a short report to the teacher. 每次有不同的学生完成此项任务, 并对老师进行报告
2. Complete Chinese activities or tasks assigned by the teacher: Ordering Food 学生完成: 点餐任务		Each time, a different student will be assigned to finish this task and give a short report to the teacher. 午餐或晚餐。每次有不同的学生完成此项任务, 并对老师进行报告
3. Students introduce something relative to the place they visit which the teacher asks them to prepare before the class. 参观时让学生介绍景点或相关历史典故。	1. Divide students into groups before class. 课前分组	The teacher divides the students into groups according to their Chinese level, hobbies, and so on. 老师根据学生的汉语水平、爱好等分组
	2. The teacher gives each group different speaking task which relates to the place they will visit, and students prepare by themselves. 给每组不同的口语任务, 分组准备 a. Each member of the group can give one paragraph one by one 小组成员可以分段讲解 b. One represents the group to give the presentation while others add what he/she forgets to say 一人代表, 其他人补充	The order will be changed each time. 每节课小组成员的表述顺序不同 For each class, a different student will be the representative to give the presentation. 每节课由不同的学生担任代表
	3. The group gives presentation when reaches the scenery spot which they prepare before class. 到哪个景点, 哪组讲解	
	4. The teacher corrects the students and gives comments on it. 老师指正并评论	
	5. The teacher introduces the scenery spot and let students to compare with the one given by students and practice listening 老师讲解, 学生进行比较	

On the way back 返程

Goal 目的: To provide a summary of learnings. 总结所学

Process 做法:

Steps	Specific Tasks	Notes
1. The teacher summarizes what they learned and provide a review. 老师总结所学，并达到复习的效果		
2. Students give presentations on what were the highlights of the activity for them. 分组表述	1. Students give a presentation on a scenic spot or a related story that impressed them most. 学生选取当天参观的景点或典故之一或印象最深刻的一件事进行表述	每次有不同的学生完成此项任务，并对老师进行报告 each time, a different student will be assigned to finish this task and give a short report to the teacher.
	2. To give comments and see which presentation is the best one. 描述完后，进行评选	
	3. Students say a sentence one by one and what they say is the content of a story. 每个学生说一句话，自由发挥，完成故事接龙。	
3. Play the Story Chain Game 故事接龙		
4. Teacher provides homework 布置下节课的任务		



Evaluation System

Students are given an Initial Assessment Exam prior to the start of the program to make sure that the student is assigned in with the correct group/class.

Students are given a Final Assessment at the last day of the program. The results of the final assessment will be presented in a table, which shows the exact level of the student based on their proficiency in different aspects of the language.

NOTE: Grading system or percentage of the evaluation can be discussed to abide by the requirements of the school.

Housing for Students

- Single Room Hotel Accommodation
- Shared Room Hotel Accommodation

Housing for School's Accompanying Teachers

- Single Room Hotel Accommodation per teacher unless specified otherwise.

General Services Provided by Next Step China

The following services or items are provided by Next Step China for all participants of Study Abroad Programs.

1. Airport transfers

Next Step China arranges airport transfers before and after the program of the students. Ground staff members have processes and instructions on how to deal with delayed and early arrivals so you don't have to worry about not having anyone greet the students at the airport.

When a student is picked up from the airport, the staff member greeting them takes a picture of and sends them to the parents or guardians through our support system. This way, parents are informed that they've arrived safely and are in good hands.



2. International Travel and Medical Insurance

Next Step China provides all of its participants access to high quality International Travel and Medical Insurance throughout the duration of their program in China. The insurance covers 100% of visits to a public or private hospital in all over China as well as fees for doctors' fees, specialists, Pharmaceutical and Ambulance Services.

3. World Wide 24-hours Staff Support

In case of emergencies, parents or representatives from universities can easily contact the Next step China representatives in China through our international or local numbers

4. Staff Members On-Ground for Emergency Assistance and Regular Assistance

Next Step China staff members are located in strategic areas to be sure that we provide quick responses or assistance to their needs.

Next Step China staff members and coordinators have emergency procedures and have been given training on basic First Aid. We are prepared to handle medical, police and other emergencies that may arise during the students' stay in China.

Aside from emergencies, on-ground Next Step China staff members make it a point to communicate with participants in the cities they are assigned in for feedback and to see if there is anything we can assist in making their experience better. For example, we assist in several small necessities for students while they are studying in China: Finding a language partner, Opening a bank account, Buying a bike, Mailing a post card or a package, etc.

All foreign and local staff members of Next Step China are knowledgeable of the local area or are familiar with the city your students will be studying in.

5. Meals

All meals (Breakfast, lunch, and dinner) are included in the program. Meals are Chinese and served in a cafeteria or ordered for an activity scheduled for the day.

Next Step China has had experience making sure that there are available options for those who need to eat Kosher, vegetarian, vegan, etc. If participants have any special dietary requirements, there will be additional costs, and this must be mentioned in advance for logistics preparation.

NOTE: For accompanying teachers, we can provide the option of providing a stipend instead of set meals with the students.

6. Detailed Itinerary

Prior to arriving in China, Next Step China provides a detailed itinerary including addresses, people in charge, contact details, schedules, activities, etc. We make sure that the students are not lost and that there is a plan the minute they arrive in China.



7. Student Orientations

Next Step China provides detailed orientations that are both candid and informative for the students. All information has been combined from years of experience in traveling and living in China.

a. Pre-Travel Guide and City Guide

There is a guide provided prior to leaving for the students to prepare what to bring (Medicine, clothing, etc.), what to expect and materials to already research before they arrive in China. The guide also has money-saving tips that you will need to prepare for before your travel to China.

b. Insider Orientation

For every city, Next Step China prepares an orientation on understanding the culture, rules and things to do while you are in China. We also include security information and stories from staff and previous clients' experiences to be sure that students are aware and know what to do in different situations.

c. Neighborhood and Immediate Surroundings Orientation

A neighborhood and immediate surroundings orientation is scheduled immediately after arrival for the students. Next Step China always creates a tailored map and guide in relation to the neighborhood you are in. We print this out and make sure it is included in the student's Welcome Kit.

8. Welcome and Farewell Dinner

Next Step China provides a welcome dinner for all participants in the beginning of the semester to get to know each other. This way, university participants also get to meet other Next Step China participants in the program who are studying, interning or teaching in China.

A farewell dinner is also provided at the end of the program for all Next Step China participants to have the chance to say goodbye to each other. Next Step China understands that friendships and bonds have been made during their stay among participants and staff members so saying goodbye is important.

9. Welcome Kit

Next Step China provides a welcome kit with all the necessities that students will need during their stay in China. All items are laid out in the expected rooms of the participant:

- a. Mobile phone (Ability to receive and text in Chinese) with local SIM Card (Programmed with pre-paid phone plan that allows you to receive incoming calls unlimited) – Pre-programmed with essential numbers

- b. Printed Next Step China Itinerary for the Program, Next Step China Insider Guide to China (Specialized to the area and city of the program), printed maps of the neighborhood, subway, city and the university, and other important items that should be printed and on-hand
- c. Address cards, emergency cards, and other essential cards
- d. Next Step China Green Bag
- e. More

10. Regular Feedback of Students and Teachers

- a. Next Step China requests feedback from students and their accompanying teachers in a regular basis in formal or informal methods. We try to accommodate and implement changes based on different comments to continuously improve the quality of our services.
- b. Next Step China also has several reports and feedback forms available for teachers to know of the individual progress of students depending on the type of program they have.

11. Video Journal

Next Step China understands the importance of documentation in different programs. We make it a point to invite students for a video feedback on their experience in China.

We conduct some video recordings of activities or feedback from students while they are in China. All raw footage will be sent to UCSEA to be used as a documentary of your students' travels or experience in China

Optional or Additional Services that Next Step China Can Provide

All optional items listed can be purchased on site.

Chinese Tutoring

Next Step China takes pride in the selection or hiring process that we've established in Next Step China for Chinese tutors because we understand how important your tutor can help you speed up the Chinese language learning process. Some students want to have the additional tutoring while they are in China for short term to make the most of their stay in China.

With Next Step China, you are assured that we understand how each student has their own strengths and weaknesses to learning the language so we provide a personalized approach depending on the needs of the student. No matter what the student is looking for an overall improvement on his language proficiency level or guidance and home tuition for his school syllabus, we have a solution to achieve it.

In addition to the assurance of Next Step China's tutoring quality, the schedule for tutoring is also flexible to the desired fixed schedule of the student.



Pricing

	One Week	Two Weeks
TOTAL	US\$	US\$
5 Students + 1 Supervisor	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 3,000.00
10 Students + 1 Supervisor	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 2,900.00
15 Students + 1 Supervisor	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 2,850.00
20 Students + 2 Supervisors	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 2,800.00
25 Students + 2 Supervisors	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 2,750.00
30 Students + 3 Supervisors	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 2,700.00
35 Students + 3 Supervisors	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,650.00
40 Students + 3 Supervisors	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 2,550.00
45 Students + 4 Supervisors	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 2,500.00

Optional Items Pricing – Chinese Tutoring

	10 Hours	20 Hours
Price	US\$250	US\$500