Study Abroad Program

The Study Abroad program offers you the unparalleled opportunity to witness the authentic practice of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) combined with Western medicine as a primary care medical system, where large volumes of patients with a wide variety of conditions are treated.

Accompanied by Five Branches’ native Chinese- or Korean-speaking faculty and 20 to 30 Master’s and Doctoral students, you can travel to Asia for a period of two to four weeks to receive specialized TCM and Integrative medicine training in an affiliated hospital and out-patient center at one of our five sister schools, in China, Taiwan or Korea.

You can complete up to 25% of your clinical training requirements at one of the following Universities: Zhejiang Chinese Medical University, Liaoning University of TCM, Tianjin University of TCM, China Medical University, and Daejeon University and receive specialized training in Internal Medicine, Oncology, Pediatrics, Gynecology, TCM Trauma or other medical specialties, based on faculty availability.

Using a translator, you will train with world class practitioners who possess a strong knowledge in the theories and clinical applications of TCM. All of the schools in this program are AAA-rated and offer the latest in modern medical technology.

Travel Throughout Asia

After training in the hospital, join faculty and fellow students on daily excursions to historical sites, shopping, tasting local delights or enjoying the area’s scenic gardens, pagodas and museums.

China

Considered one of the world’s top travel destinations, China offers travelers stunning natural beauty, bustling city experiences and more than 5000 years of rich cultural heritage.

Explore Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City and the Great Wall of China in Beijing, and experience the striking scenery of the mountains of Guilin and Yangshao rising up from the rice paddy fields.

Korea

While visiting Korea, stroll the pavilions and halls within the grounds of the famous Gyeonbok Palace, and be sure to wander the streets of Seoul, known for its chic boutiques, renowned restaurants and exciting nightlife.

Taiwan

Taiwan, one of the most diverse destinations in Asia, is full of natural wonder. Explore the lush mountains of Wulai, hike in Taroko Gorge or spend time at one of the world’s best hot springs. At night, venture out to the exhilarating city of Taipei to experience a mélange of Taiwanese culture, entertainment and cuisine.

Other Destinations

With an infrastructure that allows easy travel by plane, ship, car or train, you can extend your stay and travel throughout Asia to engage in activities like swimming with elephants in Thailand, diving the multitude of coral reefs that surround the islands of the Philippines or mastering the art of meditation and tea ceremony during a temple stay in Japan.

This valuable international experience will complement your academic curriculum, broaden your perspective of the Asian culture and be highly regarded by future employers.