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USTB and Tohoku University Celebrate the Past and Look Forward to the Future



After over half a year of elaborate planning and preparatory work, the Tohoku University Day at USTB was finally hosted with great success in USTB's Conference Center on Dec. 7th, 2012. Prof. Susumu Satomi and Prof. Toshiya Ueki, President and Vice-President of Tohoku University, respectively, led a delegation of 20 members of their staff and faculty to attend the ceremony. Leaders from USTB who attended the opening ceremony included: Chancellor Luo Weidong, President Xu Jinwu, Vice-Presidents Xie Jianxin, Zhang Yue and Sun Dongbai, and Assistants to the President Zhu Hongmin and Huang Weijiu. In the audience were approximately 150 teachers and students from USTB.

Prof. Luo hosted the Opening Ceremony and Prof. Xu delivered the welcoming speech. In his speech, Prof Xu mentioned that TU has been one of USTB's most reliable associates throughout the past decade. With the coming of the 10th anniversary of the partnership between the two universities the "Tohoku University Day at USTB" served as an excellent occasion to celebrate the storied past and bright future of academic and scientific exchange between the two schools. Prof. Susumu Satomi delivered the opening speech for TU, noting that the long-standing cooperation between USTB and TU has served as a great platform for mutually beneficial activities such as the inter-university exchanges of school leaders, scholars and students. He said that he looked forward to the expanding of cooperative efforts and projects between USTB and TU, and expressed his gratitude for the efforts that USTB devoted to putting together the event.


At the conclusion of the speeches, Prof. Xu and Prof. Susumu Satomi signed a cooperative agreement between USTB and TU. Following the signing of the agreement, Prof. Ueki Toshiya and his assistant Prof. Masahiro Yamaguchi gave the audience an introduction of the admission requirements for TU. Mr. Bai Hao, a professor, and Mr. Liu Jiang, a student, from the School of Metallurgical and Ecological Engineering, then shared with the audience their personal experiences of studying at TU.



In the afternoon a photo exhibition, seminars and academic information on TU were presented. USTB and TU both demonstrated their achievements in the training of bright scholars, scientific research, dedication to community service and pursuit of innovation. The event served to further open doors for mutual learning, better understanding, and deeper, broader cooperation between the two universities in the future.

USTB Representatives Attend the “2012 Joint International Symposium of USTB, CYUT, XAUAT on University Specialization” at Suncheon National University



 On Oct. 16th, Prof. Luo Weidong, Chancellor of USTB, visited Suncheon National University to attend the “2012 Joint International Symposium of USTB, CYUT, XAUAT on University Specialization”.

“University specialization” was the theme of this year’s Symposium. Following that, Prof. Long Keping and Prof. Guo Kanjun from USTB presented, respectively, two thematic reports, namely “The Status Quo of Education of the School of Computer Science and Communication Engineering” and “the 3-I Educational Theory of USTB”. All delegates, discussing the educational ideas of their schools, shared with each other paths to success their universities had taken.

This Joint International Symposium had given impetus to interuniversity communication, fostered joint partnership and established a sound foundation for future collaboration.

USTB Opens its Doors to Four French Universities



On Oct. 19th, 2012, USTB held its Open Day for French Universities. The event was hosted in the Yifu Academic Report Hall at the Conference Center of USTB and was attended by delegations from l'Université Paul Sabatier - Toulouse III, l'Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris - Sciences Po, Ecole Polytechnique de l'Université de Tours, Ecole Polytechnique de l'Université d'Orléans, and Campus France. Prof. Wang Ge, Director of the Office of H.K., Macao, and Taiwan Affairs, attended the opening ceremony and delivered the welcoming speech.

Prof. Sovan Lek, Director of the Office of Asian Affairs of the l'Université de Toulouse, presented a report on the status of higher education in Toulouse and France. Prof. Lek was followed by admission counselors from the other three French universities who presented an overview of their schools and their achievements in scientific research, as well as admission information and on scholarship policies – issues of high importance to USTB students.

Throughout the Open Day, USTB students, taking the floor to ask questions one after another, showed a high level of interest in furthering their educations in France.

Apart from enhancing USTB students' understanding of higher education in France and of these specific universities, the Open Day served to strengthen and deepen the existing cooperation between USTB and its French partners...

Students from Across the Strait Hold a Dialogue on Cultural Heritage and Development



On Dec. 23rd, 2012, the “Heritage, Innovation and Development Camp,” an event for the scientific and cultural exchange between students on both sides of the Taiwan Strait, was hosted at USTB. Nearly 100 teachers and students, coming from six universities in Beijing, Hong Kong, Guangdong Province and Taiwan, gathered here to attend the ceremony.

Prof. Guo, as a representative of USTB, delivered a warm welcome to all of the participants. She mentioned that this activity was designed to offer a platform for communication and dialogue across the Taiwan Strait, for teachers and students to gain a greater degree of mutual understanding, and for schools to attain deeper and wider means of cooperation. All of this progress is intended to be built on the foundation provided by the cultural exchange between the students of the aforementioned schools.

Prof. Lu Weizhen, Assistant Dean from the College of Science and Engineering, CityU, delivered a keynote speech, expressing her gratitude for the warm reception given by USTB. Greatly impressed by USTB’s tremendous contribution to the promotion of exchange between universities on both sides of the Strait, Prof. Lu presented a memorial tablet as a gift to USTB, on which was inscribed “an exemplar of meritorious service”.

Prof. Lin from Minzu University of China gave a lecture on Chinese traditional culture entitled: “the Transmission and Innovation of Culture of Chinese Minority Nationalities – a Report Based on the Analyses of Shotan Festival in Tibet.” The audiences were fascinated by the alluring beauty of Tibetan culture.

In the afternoon, contests in this exchange camp commenced, in which students from all schools brought out their elaborately prepared works. These students used a variety of ways to demonstrate to the audience their research results, illustrating, in their own ways, their personal understanding of Chinese culture. Applauses were drawn from the crowd in appreciation of each vision, insight and creative interpretation from these students.

USTB EXPRESS

President of Sweden's BTH Visits USTB

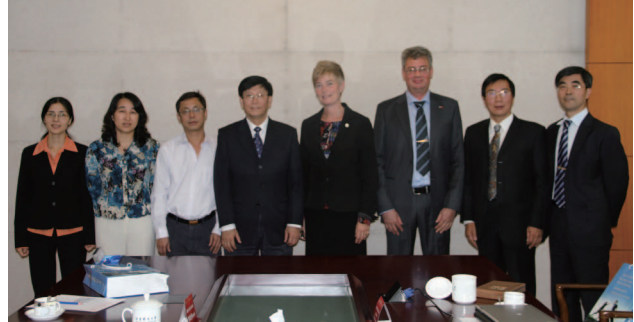
A Swedish delegation led by Prof. Ursula Hass, President of the Blekinge Institute of Technology, visited USTB this September.

Prof. Hass expressed her gratitude for USTB's welcome and gave her hosts an overview of BTH.

BTH's primary focus is on engineering and its IT majors rank at the forefront of the world.

Prof. Hass also expressed a desire that her visit to USTB would result in a greater level of cooperation between the two schools, and a means through which the two institutions' assets and abilities would be mutually complimentary.

The two sides discussed and reached agreements over more efficient ways of working together, which included the co-hosting of symposiums and students exchanges.



Bridging the Strait: President of NPUST Visits USTB



On Oct. 15th, 2012, Prof. Gu Yuanguang, President of National Pingtung University of Science and Technology, visited USTB. Prof. Luo Weidong, Chancellor of USTB, Prof. Zhang Yue, Vice-President of USTB and Prof. Wang Ge, Director of the Office of H.K., Macao, and Taiwan Affairs met with the delegation.

With the hopes of improving the exchange of ideas on the development of higher education on both sides of the strait, Chancellor Luo, expressed a desire that, with both schools sharing a common specialty in engineering, NPUST and USTB could open up new paths based on the previous achievements and explore broader areas of interuniversity collaboration.

USTB Open Day for TUT a Hit

On Oct. 18th and 19th, 2012, USTB hosted its Open Day for TUT, the Tallinn University of Technology, to deepen the existing collaboration between USTB and TUT and to explore new ways of cooperation.

The workshop was hosted in the form of lectures given by TUT professors, covering such topics as internet security, social network service and design research. Approximately 100 students from the School of Computer Science and Communication Engineering signed up for the lectures.

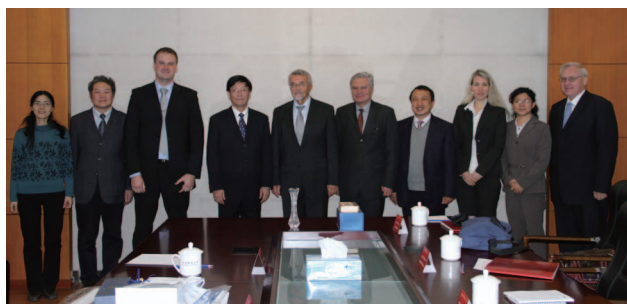


University of Portsmouth visits USTB

On Oct. 24th, 2012, Prof. John Craven, President of the University of Portsmouth, led a delegation of his colleagues to USTB. Prof. Xu Jinwu, President of USTB, and Prof. Huang Weijiu, Assistant President of USTB, met with the delegates.

Extending a warm reception, Prof. Xu introduced the delegates to the history of USTB, of its notable faculty and staff, and its scientific achievements, with an emphasis on USTB's current international cooperation and communication programs. In exchange, Prof. Craven gave his hosts an introduction of the strengths and characteristics of the University of Portsmouth, which was followed by a discussion between both sides over methods to initiate more substantial cooperation, especially with regards to exchange programs of students and faculty.

Vice-President of Tomas Bata University in Zlín Visits USTB



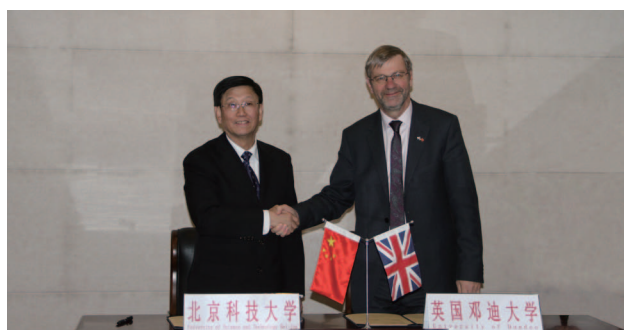
On Nov. 9th, 2012, Prof. Ales Gregar, Vice-President of Tomas Bata University (TBU) in Zlín, visited USTB.

Prof. Gregar expressed his gratitude for the warm reception offered by USTB, and said that the purpose of this visit was to look for opportunities to forge partnerships with outstanding Chinese universities.

Delegates from the International Office, the School of Technology, the School of Information and the School of Economics and Management of TBU gave introductions of their departments within TBU.

USTB and UoD Renew their Cooperation Agreement

On the afternoon of December 5, Prof. Peter Downes, President of the University of Dundee, in the United Kingdom, and Dr. Huang Zhihong, Director of Engineering Graduate Teaching, visited USTB. Prof. Xu Jinwu, President of USTB, met with the guests. Prof. Wang Wenbin, Dean of the Dongling School of Economics and Management, and Prof. Wang Ge, Director of the International Office, attended the meeting.



President Xu gave a warm welcome to Prof. Downes for his visit. He pointed out that since the two universities signed a cooperation agreement in 2009, cooperation has carried out smoothly in a number of different aspects, including faculty exchange and 3+1+1 student mobility programs, which benefit many students.

In April, 2012, Professor Malcolm Horner, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Dundee, visited Beijing to attend the celebrations of USTB's 60th anniversary. He unveiled the plaque for the "USTB - Dundee Collaboration Office," which serves to further promote exchange and cooperation between the two universities.

Prof. Downes expressed his pleasure at having his second opportunity to visit USTB (the first visit took place in 1992), and hoped that the two universities could extend their cooperative efforts into more areas.

Prof. Xu and Prof. Downes concluded the visit by signing a renewed cooperation agreement between the two universities, which included an agreement on the 3+1+1 student mobility program for Management majors.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

2012 Beijing International Students Cultural Classes a Hit

On Oct. 27th, 2012, the “Beijing International Students Cultural Classes” were held. The classes were hosted by the Beijing Municipal Commission of Education, co-hosted by the Beijing International Education Exchange Center, and were presented in association with numerous universities.

20 international students from USTB signed up for four experimental classes, namely martial arts, yangko (a popular rural folk dance in Northeast China), Chinese cuisine, and traditional Va dancing.

The “Beijing International Students Cultural Classes” is a series of culturally-integrative and diverse classes designed by the Beijing Municipal Commission of Education. Their aim is to enrich cultural lives of international students in Beijing as well as deepen their understanding and love of Chinese culture, while promoting international friendship.

Apart from the aforementioned classes, courses on Chinese Opera and the Chinese philosophy of keeping in good health will also be hosted in the near future. International students from USTB are strongly encouraged to join in on the fun.



A Walk for Relaxation: USTB International Students Attend the “2012 Long Walk around Kunming Lake”



On Oct. 27th, the “2012 Long Walk around Kunming Lake for Foreigners”, eight-kilometer walk around Kunming Lake located in the Summer Palace, was host to numerous universities and over 800 foreign friends, including students from USTB. Jessica Li and Les Honywill from the International Office of USTB led 40 international students to participate in this activity.

The theme of the walk was to “Embrace Your Wonderful Life and Experience Beijing Spirit.” It advocated exercising in a relaxed manner.

USTB international students started from the Wenchang Galleries. The students strolled along the east bank of Kunming Lake, past the Seventeen-Arch Bridge and walked through the Plowing and Weaving Scenery Area. For many it was an excellent opportunity to feel the cool autumn breeze and feast their eyes on the gorgeous maple leaves that glowed a fiery red, while they listened to the motley prattle of birds.

The Long Walk was a great opportunity for these international students to feel free of mind, happy of heart, and to experience the true beauty of autumn in Beijing.



A War of Words: USTB International Students Win the Quarter-Final of the Annual Debating Contest

On Nov. 8th, 2012, the quarter-final of the 2012 Chinese Debating Contest of International Students in Universities Beijing was hosted in the Yi Fu Report Hall of the Beijing Language and Culture University (BLCU). USTB International students played the opposition side against students from Minzu University of China (MUC). The debate was over the issue of whether men or women are in greater need of care within marriages. USTB students were debating in favour of men. The team from USTB consisted of Mongolian student PUREVDORJ TSOLMON, Bengali student RASHEDUL ISLAM, Bolivian student KE LU LUIS and Mongolian student JARGALMAA NOMIN-ERDENE. Ms. Guo Kailin from the International Office coached the team.



At the opening ceremony, USTB debaters performed their own version of the Happy Goat and Big Wolf (a popular contemporary Chinese cartoon), acting out how the “Big Wolf” was bearing pressures from a husband’s work, home and personal life in three scenes: “Big Wolf & His Boss;” “Big Wolf & His Wife;” and “Big Wolf and the Happy Goat.” The show gave the audience a well-rounded preview of the USTB team’s stance. Following the performance, PUREVDORJ TSOLMON presented a of the team’s arguments in a poised manner, pointing out why men should be more taken care of in marriages by utilizing the three perspectives from the act. RASHEDUL ISLAM gave a detailed illustration of the arguments, adding a true story of his friend’s life after marriage. In defending their position and rebutting against the opposite position, the third debater KE LU LUIS argued heatedly with all four debaters from (MUC). During the round of free debate, the four USTB debaters cooperated well with each other and presented an outstanding verbal battle. At last, JARGALMAA NOMIN-ERDEN presented an organized and concise conclusion of their arguments and rebuttals.

Adjudicator Tian Guoxiu commented on the contest. She was impressed by the lead-in performance designed by USTB students, joking that the students had done an advertisement for the new episode of this Cartoon which would be casted during the Spring Festival. She praised RASHEDUL ISLAM for his performing skills and the fantastic teamwork showcased by USTB students.

Subsequent to the comments offered by the judges, the USTB debating team was announced to have won a seat in the semi-final, battling against a strong team – BLCU, the three-year consecutive winner of this contest – in the next round. The semi-final will be hosted on Nov. 15th, 2012. It will be the hope of all students from USTB that our debate team can keep this momentum going into the final round.

After the debate, RASHEDUL ISLAM was interviewed by the magazine the Beijinger.

Admiring the Beauty of Nanjing: A Cultural Excursion to Suzhou for USTB's International Students

From Nov. 26th to Dec. 1st, 2012, the Beijing International Education Exchange Center hosted the “Chinese Cultural Excursion to Suzhou Province for International Students from Universities in Beijing,” as a reward for the participants of the “2012 Mandarin Star Stage among International Students in Beijing” and the “2012 Chinese Debating Contest of International Students in Beijing.”



On Nov. 26th, Ms. Guo Kailin from the International Office led a team that consisted of Beninese student AGAINGLO RODRIGUE, Bolivian student KE LU LUIS, Bengali student RASHEDUL ISLAM and Mongolian student JARGALMAA NOMIN-ERDEN from USTB to attend the cultural excursion. On the 27th, they attended historical and cultural lectures in Nanjing, the capital of Jiangsu province, at Nanjing Normal University. While visiting Zhong Huamen Castle, Fuzi Miao (Confucian Temple) and the Brocade Museum, students said that they felt as though they had travelled back to the time when Nanjing was still the ancient capital of the Six Dynasties in Chinese history. The students were also treated to some natural beauty as well, as they were shown the majesty of the Suzhou Gardens and Tongli, the region of rivers and lakes.

On Nov. 30th, an evening party was hosted for the international students to share what they had gained during the cultural excursion. The students performed dances, songs, short sketches and comic dialogues to demonstrate what they had learned from their experiences.

USTB students, specifically, showed their talents as well. Bolivian student KE LU LUIS sang “Jiang Nan,” a popular song in Chinese and Beninese student AGAINGLO RODRIGUE performed a comic dialogue.

The trip to Jiangsu province not only enabled international students to adopt a better understanding of Chinese culture and meet more friends, but also facilitated the networking and sharing of resources between the teachers from the 15 universities.

“Beijing and I”: Essay Contest for International Students Held

On Dec. 10th, 2012, the award-giving ceremony “Beijing and I,” an essay contest among international students in Beijing, was hosted at the Beijing People’s Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries. Chen Gang, a member of the standing committee of the Beijing Municipal Party Committee, and leaders from the hosting organization were on hand to give out the awards to the 35 international students who had won the contest.

The contest spanned half of a year – starting in April and ending in November. There were 343 essays submitted, composed by 333 international students from 61 countries, representing 31 Beijing schools. The judges were experts and scholars invited by the hosting committee. In total, 5 first prizes, 10 second prizes, 20 third prizes and 65 honorable mentions were awarded in the contest.

Ms. Guo Kailin from the International Office, a representative of the University of Science and Technology Beijing, won an Excellent Organizer Award. MARIA DEL MAR GUINARAIS, international student from República de Guinea Ecuatorial, Beninese student AGAINGLO RODRIGUE and Brazilian student CASSIMIR O SANTOS JULIANDIO won honorable mentions in the contest.

Celebration of the Year of the Snake: 2013 New Year reception for International Students a Hit



On Dec. 12, 2012, the Celebration of the Year of the Snake: 2013 New Year reception for International Students, was successfully hosted on the fourth floor of Wan Xiu Cafeteria. 500 international students from USTB attended the ceremony. USTB leaders and heads from all departments and faculties attended the soiree.

Chancellor Luo, representing the USTB leaders, sent a New Year's message to all

the international students, expecting that they could, in a brand new year, adopt China as their second home, live and learn joyfully at USTB and make further achievements in their academic studies. Heads of departments and faculties proposed a toast to all the attending teachers and students, wishing everyone good luck and good health in the year of the snake.

In this soiree, fascinating performances were staged, prepared and rehearsed by international students and teachers from the International Office. They danced, performed acrobatics and short sketches, pushing the soiree to a new high.

The International Office and international students have achieved great achievements in recent years. Firstly, the debating team of international students from USTB set a new personal best, finishing in third place in the 4th Chinese Debating Contest of International Students in Universities in Beijing. Secondly, international students made great achievements in academia this year. For example, Pakistani student QURAT UL AIN published six essays on SCI and three essays on EI. Thirdly, a large number of students were awarded international scholarships granted by USTB and the Chinese government. These scholarships were given in recognition of their academic achievements, and in honor of these excellent international students, school leaders also granted awards to their teachers for being outstanding coaches.

USTB is looking forward to hearing more good news from international students in 2013.



OVERSEAS STUDY PROGRAMS

The Road Untaken: Public Lecture and Open Day on Student Exchange Programs Overseas Held



On Nov. 30th, 2012, “A Preview of the Road Untaken: Public Lecture and Open Day on Student Exchange Programs Overseas” was hosted in the USTB’s Academic Report Hall. Representatives from USTB included Prof. Luo Weidong, Chancellor, Prof. Xu Jinwu, President, Prof. Zhang Xinxin, Vice-President, and numerous department heads as well as 200 teachers and students from their faculties.

During the lecture, students who had previously participated in exchanges shared with the audience their experiences. Students from Dundee University, Limerick University and Leuven University also sent video clips to USTB in return, in which they shared with the audience their experiences of studying and living abroad. Later, an international student from Grenada studying at USTB greeted the audience, with a touch of humor, in her not-yet-fluent Chinese and shared with the audience her experiences here.



Following the speeches from the students, school leaders addressed the audience and extended their best wishes to all participants. Prof. Luo and Prof. Xu began their speeches with their personal stories of studying abroad. The two professors discussed how international exchanges have changed, in terms of the experience provided, over the years. Prof. Luo noted in his speech that the opening-up of China has not only enabled Chinese people to walk out, but also welcome

foreign friends to come in. He noted that as China has become the second largest economy in the world, its future is closely to the development of every student. Prof. Luo expressed that more students could walk out of China, broaden their horizons and pursue a brighter future.

Prof. Xu mentioned that in order to learn well, one must experience new things and apply the lessons gained. Because how one thinks is vital to how one performs in his or her studies, studying abroad opens great opportunities for one to compare different ways of thinking, different approaches to studying and allows the student to determine the strategy that suits him or her best. Furthermore, studying abroad helps students to become self-reliant and foster a stronger, more independent spirit.

After the lecture, representatives from the International Office briefed the students on the exchange programs available to them.



2012 a Year of Great Expansion and Development for USTB's International Exchange Programs

2 012 proved to be an excellent year for the development of USTB's foreign exchange and cooperation efforts. Programs and partnerships were expanded and developed to serve the interests of professional training, the pursuit of degrees, overseas internships, laboratory training, cultural experience, international academic exchanges and more. USTB has greatly increased the quality and quantity of opportunities for students and professors to go abroad for study and academic exchange. More than 50 overseas programs are now carried out, involving 490 students.

A major part of this success has been due to USTB's efforts to expand the number of overseas institutions with which it cooperates. In 2012, USTB started its Visiting Student Program with the University of California, Berkeley, and expanded its cooperative efforts with the University of Dundee in their 3+1+1 mobility program, to include more majors and expanded means interaction between the respective Engineering Schools. USTB also expanded on their partnership with the University of Tours to change what was only a master's degree program to a 3+1+2 mobility program.

Other newly expanded or implemented exchange programs include: a master's degree program in International Standardization with the University of Wales - Swansea, a visiting student program and summer (winter) school program with the Chinese Culture University in Taiwan, and a summer school program with the Tallinn University of Technology.

Orientation Session Held for Taiwan Exchange Programs



On the afternoon of August 28, 2012, an orientation was held in USTB, targeting exchange students who want to study in Taiwanese universities the fall semester of the 2012-2013 school year. Mr. Yin Zhendong, Director of the Taiwan Affairs Office in Beijing, delivered a speech to the students in which he detailed the value of an exchange to Taiwan for students who are eager to travel.

USTB Holds Series of Overseas Exchange Information Sessions

From October to December 2012, the International Office invited the program coordinators of its partner universities to visit USTB to promote their institutions. The visits from the partner universities gave USTB students an opportunity to gather more information about the foreign universities, specifically regarding the characteristics of their programs, eligibility criteria, and the majors that they offered.

The program coordinators of the University of Queensland, University of Dundee, Swansea University and the University of Limerick visited USTB and promoted their 3+1+1 and 2+2 mobility programs, and answered students' questions. Students from School of Mathematics and Physics, School of Mechanical Engineering, School of Materials Science and Engineering, School of Computer and Communication Engineering and the School of Automation and Control Engineering participated in the events.

USTB Develops More Scholarship Opportunities for Student Exchange

USTB actively seeks to make more scholarships available, through a variety of channels, in order to offer increased opportunities for its students. In 2012, scholarships that included free tuition and accommodation were offered in 90% of USTB's overseas exchange programs.

One such scholarship is USTB's 3+1 mobility program with McMaster University, funded by the Outstanding Undergraduate Students Overseas Exchange Program of the China Scholarship Council, which will pay students' flight tickets and living expenses while they study abroad.

Furthermore, in order to encourage more outstanding students to study abroad, USTB has also implemented two more outstanding undergraduate exchange programs: a 3+1 program with the University of Dundee in the UK, and an undergraduate exchange program with the Pohang University of Science and Technology.

USTB Offers North American Culture Summer Course to Broaden Horizons and Raise Global Awareness

This summer, students at USTB had the opportunity to absorb Western culture within the classroom as Dr. David Pratt from the University of Waterloo taught a summer long “North American Culture” class. 60 students from the faculties of Material Science and Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Mathematics & Physics and more, took the rare chance to obtain a first-hand experience in what life is like on the other side of the world.

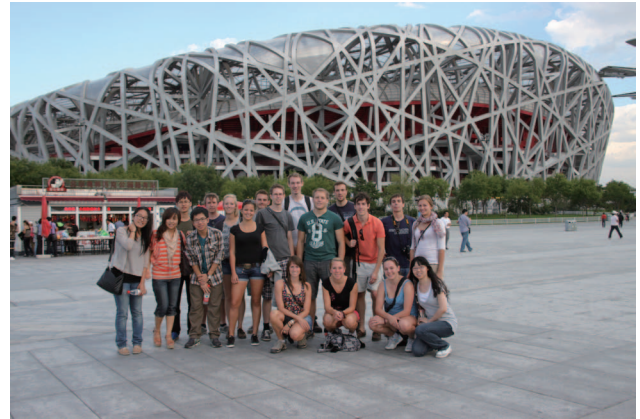


The course covered a broad range of topics about life and culture in North America, including its geography, forms of education, religions, society and culture. The classroom became a setting where students were immersed into an authentic English-speaking environment and served as an excellent platform to improve cross-cultural communication abilities.

USTB’s commitment to add foreign professors to its staff, and to offer courses such as the one mentioned above, has given its students a genuinely unique experience. One of USTB’s primary goals is to broaden the cultural horizons of its students and raise their awareness of the world around them. The purpose of this goal is to give students at USTB more than just a degree, but tools and experiences that they will be using for the rest of their lives.

Also of note, aside from the obvious long-term benefits of the course, it was notably enjoyable too for everyone involved and was widely praised by students.

Breaking Down Borders, Climbing Great Walls: Students from Aachen University Conclude One Month Exchange at USTB



From Sep. 10th to Oct. 8th, 2012, 14 engineering students from RWTH Aachen University arrived at USTB to participate in a month-long cultural exchange program, hosted by the International Office of USTB.

The students from Germany were given a variety of cultural experiences, which included Mandarin and tai chi lessons, as well as visits to numerous historical sites such as the Great Wall. In addition to this cultural education the exchange students were able to continue their study of engineering inside of the classroom, by attending seminars hosted by USTB professors, and by visiting numerous Chinese engineering enterprises in the Beijing area. The experience was aimed firstly at giving the German students insights into Chinese academia, particularly with regard to the field of engineering, secondly, to strengthen the level of exchange and communication between students of the two nations, and thirdly, to provide the students with a firm understanding of Chinese culture.

Since the establishment of a cooperative agreement between USTB and RWTH Aachen, a closer and deeper partnership between the two schools has been forged, owing much to student exchange programs. Every year, 30 USTB students majoring in metallurgical engineering and material science further their MA studies in RWTH Aachen. In exchange, students from RWTH Aachen are sent to USTB every two years for month-long exchange studies.



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