# **Experiencing Chinese Lessons and Culture in Taiwan**

An Interesting Summer Camp for International Students.

### Introduction and Goals

The goal of this summer camp held by National Kaohsiung First University of Science and Technology (NKFUST) and National University of Kaohsiung (NUK) is to increase the interactions between NKFUST and NUK students and students from our sister universities. The summer camp will also offer a chance for our attendees to experience the cultural beauty of Taiwan through a series of lingual and cultural courses and tours.

#### About Taiwan

Geographically located roughly equidistant from Japan and Korea to the north, the Philippines to the south, and mainland China to the west, Taiwan makes a perfect launching point for further travels in East Asia. The main island of Taiwan is also known as "Formosa" meaning "beautiful (island)." In the World Competitiveness Yearbook 2007(IMD), Taiwan ranked 18th and was considered as a high competitiveness and development potential country. This achievement is highly associated with Taiwan's vibrant commercial environment and distinctive culture which is a hybrid blend of Chinese and indigenous cultures.

#### Chinese Class and Culture Tour

To let the students of our sister universities experience the cultural beauty of Taiwan, NKFUST and NUK conducts this11-day summer program offering a series of lingual and cultural courses. We not only provides Chinese language program, but also designs special culture tours to make students experience the traditional culture of Taiwan such as Chinese Calligraphy, Chinese Knot and so on.

Also, we arrange 2-day tour to Sitou, a famous forest resort in Nantou, and let the students experience the beauty forest of Taiwan. Besides, the students have the chance to see the Hakka culture, a different folk, in Taiwan. Students can do the paper umbrella and Hakka tea by themselves, and taste fantastic traditional Hakka food.



Sitou Forest Resort



Kaohsiung Love River

## Date and Location

Date: August 3~13, 2009 Location: NKFUST (National Kaohsiung First University of Science and Technology) NUK (National University of Kaohsiung) NUK will provide financial aid for your accommodation, tuition, and cultural trips (not including the round-trip airfare of your flights inside and outside of Taiwan from your country). Regarding personnel support, we have a commander of the summer camp, instructors, translators, and tour guides for students who join this summer camp.

#### Summer Camp Schedule

T ime Date	9:00-12:00	14:00-17:00	19:00-21:00
Day 1: Aug 3 (Mon.)	Arrival (shuttle bus provided from Kaohsiung Airport/ Zuoying Taiwan high speed rail to NKFUST)		
Day 2: Aug 4 (Tue.)	Opening Ceremony	Trip in Kaohsiung City Area	1.Interactions between Chinese students and foreign students
Day 3: Aug 5 (Wed.)	Chinese Course (Elementary Level)	Taiwan Culture Experience	2. Visiting some scenic spots in Kaohsiung City, such as Liouhe
Day 4: Aug 6 (Thur.)	Chinese Course (Elementary Level)	Taiwan Culture Experience	Night Market, Love River, etc 3.Free Time
Day 5~Da y6 Aug 7 (Fri.)~ Aug 8 (Sat)		Tour to Sitou for 2-day in Nantou	
Day 7: Aug 9 (Sun.)	Hakka culture tour		
Day 8: Aug 10 (Mon.)	Chinese Course (Elementary Level)	Taiwan Culture Experience	Free time
Day 9: Aug 11(Tue.)	Chinese Course (Elementary Level)	Taiwan Culture Experience	Free unie
Day 10: August 12(Wed.)	Performances by students & Farewell Party		
Day 11: August 13 (Thur.)	Departure Day (shuttle bus provided from NKFUST to Kaohsiung Airport)		

#### Note:

\*The schedule and activities are subject to change.

\*The schedule is based on Taiwan's local Date/Time.

\*The application deadline is **July 10, 2009**.

\*We offer airport pickup only on August 3, 2009 (8:00 AM-10:00 PM).

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\*This program will be conducted mainly in English and Chinese. Basic proficiency in English and Chinese is necessary.