AACC Delegation to Beijing, China  October 20–26, 2015.

Preliminary Schedule

SEND RSVP for each event to Wayne Wheeler at wwheeler@aacc.nche.edu

October 18-19  Arrive in Beijing, China.

October 20

AM  Sightseeing tour (TBA: Great Wall, or Summer Palace, or Forbidden City)

PM  Campus visits to Beijing local vocational colleges (tailored to AACC delegates’ interests—email your completed AACC Delegation college profile to Wayne Wheeler at wwheeler@aacc.nche.edu).

Dinner with leaders of local institutions.

October 21

AM  Tour of Tiangin Haihe River Education Park, one of the newest of the Pilot Implement Districts, established by the central and local governments in several provinces to promote the development of vocational education in China, including international certifications, academic and diplomatic exchanges, and sharing of industry best practices.

PM  Discussion and informational meeting on various topics regarding the development of vocational and technical education in China and how U.S. community college can get involved—exchanges, curriculum and workforce development projects.

October 22

10:30 AM: Presentation and Q&A at the Chinese Higher Education Student Information and Career Center (CHESICC)—the only organization authorized by the Ministry of Education with the responsibility to gather and analyze Chinese student data. CHESICC and National Student Clearinghouse have signed an memorandum of understanding and established a pilot project under the Groningen Declaration for the digitization and secure cross-border transfer of student data/records.

Noon  Lunch with CHESICC (location to be announced).

3:00 PM  Debriefing and Discussion at U.S. Embassy-Beijing with officials providing both diplomatic and economic insights. Embassy officials will update delegates about matters involving Chinese student recruitment as well as other opportunities in China regarding the alignment of U.S. government initiatives with community college expertise and engagement in China.

October 23-25

China Annual Conference for International Education (CACIE 2015)
Venue: China National Convention Center
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October 23
3:30-5:00 PM  **Plenary Session** (International Forum on Vocational Education)
   Theme: Sustainability: Technical Vocational Education and Training for the Future

5:30-8:00 PM  **Opening Reception and Gala Dinner**

October 24
9:00AM-12:30PM  **China-US Vocational/Community College Presidents Dialogue**
   Theme: Innovation and Entrepreneurship
   Held under the auspices of the [U.S.-China Consultation on People-to-People Exchange](#), this annual event is co-chaired by both AACC and CEAIE and focused on communicating both the successes and challenges of U.S.-China academic collaboration and partnership. Opening remarks are provided by high-ranking U.S. and Chinese government officials, followed by keynote speeches by distinguished college presidents from both countries as well as panel discussions. All AACC Delegation members are encouraged to attend.

1:30-3:00 PM  **Pathpro Project Seminar**
   Topics: Progress of the Project; MOU Signing Ceremony
   Preliminary results will be presented for this pilot project, creating pathways for Chinese students involving the collaboration of Chinese higher vocational colleges and U.S. community colleges and universities.

October 25
9:00AM-3:00PM  **Workshop: Best Practice of U.S. Community Colleges**
   Network and share best practices with representatives of vocational institutions located throughout China. (Send us the contact information for your current partners in China so that we can also make sure to invite them to this event. Send your email to Wayne Wheeler at wwheeler@aacc.nche.edu)

October 26
   Depart for the United States.
   (Upon Request) **Customized Campus Visits** of Chinese vocational institutions, facilitated by CEAIE and/or CSTVE. Delegates are responsible for arranging their own logistics for each visit. Email your interests to Wayne Wheeler (wwheeler@aacc.nche.edu).