Duquesne University School of Law Summer Study of Law in China
May & June 2018

Abbreviations used in this Program:
DUQ=Duquesne University School of Law
WBLF=Beijing Weibo Law Firm
Xihua=Xihua University School of Law in Chengdu
ZJU=Zhejiang University Guanghua Law School in Hangzhou

I. Faculty and Staff

Duquesne:
Co-Directors: Professor Rona Kaufman
Professor John Rago

Senior Advisor: Associate Dean and Professor Frank Liu

China:

Administrative Coordinator: Ms. (Shirley) Shi, Xiaoxue, Esq.
Ph.D. candidate in Intellectual Property
China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL)
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Dean, Xihua School of Law/Intellectual Property
International Adjunct Professor, Duquesne

WBLF Coordinator: Attorney Li, Weiming, Chief Partner

Xihua Coordinator: Professor Ye, Linguo
Office of International Cooperation and
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ZJU Coordinator: Ms. (Joanna) Zhong, Yuan
Center for Education and Teaching

II. Overview of Academic Content

Students will earn up to 5 academic credits through participating in the program. The program consists of three distinct courses, each of which will be graded separately on Duquesne’s standard letter scale. Grades earned in these courses will count toward students’ QPA and graduation requirements, and may also be used to fulfill concentration requirements.
Students are required to attend all lectures and sponsored field trips during the program. The examination for these courses will occur on the final day of the program. Each course will have an examination, and will be prepared and graded separately by the teaching faculty member.

The following provides an overview of the courses, as further detailed in Part III below:

**Chinese Language, Culture, Legal History, and Law – 1 credit**

This course will introduce students to the overview of Chinese language, culture, legal history, and law, including classroom instruction at Duquesne, augmented with in-person visits to sites of legal and cultural importance in China. Course taught by Associate Dean and Professor Frank Liu, at Duquesne prior to students’ departure to China.

**The Innocence Revolution: A Comparative Examination of Wrongful Convictions and Criminal Justice Innocence Reforms in the US and China – 2 credits**

This course will introduce students to the revelations of post-conviction DNA exonerations in the US and China and how our respective criminal justice communities are attempting to reform our criminal justice institutions and practices in their wake. While the US had its first post conviction DNA exoneration in 1987, our Chinese counterparts have only recently encountered their wrongful convictions “awakenings.” Guest lectures will be delivered by Chinese experts in Beijing and faculty of Xihua who will provide comparative perspectives on how China’s criminal justice community, and the Chinese courts in particular, are attempting to introduce related, if not similar innocence reforms. Course taught by Professor John Rago.

**Family Law in Comparative Context – 2 credits**

This course will introduce students to constitutional and criminal aspects of U.S. family law, encompassing the following topics: marriage, reproductive rights, rights during pregnancy, family violence, and parental rights and responsibilities. Guest lectures with partner faculty at Xihua, and ZJU will provide comparative perspective on how China addresses similar issues in family law. Course taught by Professor Rona Kaufman.

**III. Itinerary**

**Week 1: Duquesne and Beijing – Professors Liu and Rago**
Monday, May 21 (Duquesne Room: 203)
8:30 – 12:30: Chinese Language, Culture, Legal History, and Law

Tuesday, May 22
8:30 – 12:30: Chinese Language, Culture, Legal History, and Law (cont’d)

Wednesday, May 23
Depart for Beijing

Thursday, May 24
Arrive in Beijing

Friday, May 25
Opening dinner
Tour Tian’anmen Square, Forbidden City, and Summer Palace

Saturday, May 26
Tour Great Wall and Olympic Stadiums

Sunday, May 27
Free time in Beijing shopping and visiting additional sites on your own.

Week 2: Beijing – WBLF – Professor Rago

Mandatory excursions to the courts and law firms will be arranged in the afternoon.

Monday, May 28
8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Introduction to the Leading Indicia of Wrongful Convictions, Representative Case Analyses and Innocence Reforms in the U.S. & China
Comparative perspective offered by professor from partner institution

Tuesday, May 29
8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: False Confessions, The “Reid Method” & Reforms for Custodial Interrogations. Case Analyses: “The “Norfolk Four” & “The Central Park Five”
Comparative perspective offered by professor from partner institution
Wednesday, May 30

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Memory Science, Eyewitness Failure & Evidence Based Reforms (Case law/Legislation/Court Rules). Case Analysis: “The Trials of Darryl Hunt
Comparative perspective offered by professor from partner institution

Thursday, May 31

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Junk Science, A Case Study in Arson, The Capital Trial of Todd Willingham, with an examination of the 2009 NAS (National Academy of Sciences) Report
Comparative perspectives on state of Chinese forensic sciences offered by professor from partner institution

Friday, June 1

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: After Innocence, Multiple Case Analyses of Life after Exoneration and Compensation Statutes
Comparative perspective offered by professor from partner institution

Depart for optional trip to Xian

Saturday, June 2

Visit Xian City Wall, Shanxi Museum

Sunday, June 3

Visit Terra Cotta Museum

Depart for Chengdu

Week 3: Chengdu at Xihua – Professors Rago and Kaufman

Monday, June 4

Visit Chengdu Panda Breeding Research Center

Tuesday, June 5

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Marriage
Maynard v. Hill
Loving v. Virginia
Lawrence v. Texas
United States v. Windsor
Obergefell v. Hodges
Comparative perspective offered by professor at Xihua

Wednesday, June 6

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Reproductive Rights
Griswold v. Connecticut
Eisenstadt v. Baird
Roe v. Wade
Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania v. Casey
Gonzales v. Carhart
Comparative perspective offered by professor at Xihua

Thursday, June 7

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Rights During Pregnancy
In re A.C.
Pemberton v. Tallahassee Reg’l Mem. Ctr., Inc.
Bei Bei Shuai v. State
Ex parte Ankrom v. State
Comparative perspective offered by professor at Xihua

Depart for Shanghai in the late afternoon

Friday, June 8

Guided tour in Shanghai

Saturday, June 9

Free time to explore Shanghai

Sunday, June 10

Depart for Hangzhou by high-speed train in the late afternoon
Group dinner in Hangzhou

Week 4: Hangzhou at ZJU – Professor Kaufman

Monday, June 11
8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Family Violence
Hawthorne v. State
Town of Castle Rock v. Gonzales
People v. Harris
Nicholson v. Scoppetta
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.: Visit to Chinese law firm
Comparative perspective offered by professor at ZJU

Tuesday, June 12
8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.: Parental Rights and Responsibilities
Meyer v. Nebraska
Pierce v. Society of Sisters
Prince v. Massachusetts
Troxel v. Granville

Wednesday, June 13
Examination at ZJU
Closing Dinner

Thursday, June 14
Depart for the U.S.

Host Institutions in China

Beijing


Chengdu

Xihua University, School of Law/Intellectual Property
http://www.at0086.com/Xihua-University/

Hangzhou

Zhejiang University, Guanghua Law School, http://www.ghls.zju.edu.cn/english/