

WEEK 12

Chengdu American Center

Final Examinations

Our 12-week program ends in the blink of an eye. Last week, all of our students finished their final examinations, presentations, or projects for their classes. After an intense and tiring week, we hope the students can find some time to relax and we wish them the best luck on their final academic achievements this Spring semester.



Students from World Food and Culture class having their final group presentations

Farewell Dinner

Last Wednesday evening, we held a farewell dinner to congratulate our students in completing the semester. The dinner guests included not only G-MEO faculty members and students, but also guests from the Fairleigh Dickinson University (FDU) China Office and our local partners from the G-MEO internship program. The Vice Provost for International Education at Fairleigh Dickinson University, Dr. Jason Scorza, also gave a video speech congratulating the students on their academic and personal accomplishments. He spoke highly of the flexibility, resilience, and positivity they demonstrated.



Final exam for Intermediate Financial Accounting I class

Program Evaluation

At the end of each semester, it is our standard practice to collect students' feedback and comments on the program as a whole. Last week, a program evaluation survey was sent to students to collect their views on the advising and application process, program implementation of academics, extracurricular activities, and internship program, as well as the faculty and staff teams. We appreciate the students' patience and participation in filling out the survey and will take their opinions seriously.



Congratulations from FDU!

Commencement

Before the farewell dinner officially started, we held a short commencement to give a review of the semester. Dr. Andy Guth gave the opening remarks and the Center's Director, Ms. Sara, gave a welcome speech and introduced the honored guests. Student and faculty representatives shared their experiences over the past three months regarding the academics, activities, and daily life in Chengdu. The singing performance from the World Music class brought the commencement to a joyful end.



Student representative Yuxin Kang (American University) giving a speech



Students making a toast to their professor!



Boys and girls from World Music class performing a classic Chinese song

Some happy moments with friends at dinner



Dr. Yi Zhou (left), Dan Plaut from FDU's China Office (center), and Zoe Zheng from FDU's China Office (right)

Student Voice

"This is my second semester in Chengdu. It was very painful to have online classes at home all day and night before I came to Chengdu last Fall. When I heard that I was able to go to Chengdu and have face-to-face classes, I felt extremely happy. It is a great honor for us to have classes in Chengdu. We have successfully avoided the pain of online classes. We also have made many new friends here. The professors here are very responsible and industrious, especially Prof. Zeng. The extracurricular activities, such as the trip to western Sichuan in April, the hot pot welcome dinner, and the murder mystery games brought me lots of fun and relaxation. I sincerely thank the staff for their patience. Studying in Chengdu also gave me a chance to meet with my old friends. After class, we went skiing, went to the gym, and traveled together. I also learned about the leisurely attitude of the people of Chengdu, Sichuan cuisine, and the unique scenery of Sichuan during my stay here over the past two semesters. Thank you again to the G-MEO program in Chengdu. I am very happy to have met these professors and friends on my life path. I wish you all success and a bright future!"

- Shucheng Liu, Finance major, Junior from American University