

WEEK 7-8

Chengdu American Center

Sichuan Yangqin Concert

In the seventh week, the G-MEO Chengdu American Center invited a group of senior performance artists and hosted a Sichuan Yangqin Concert. As a foreign instrument, the Yangqin (Dulcimer) received a warm welcome in its first introduction to China during the Ming Dynasty. The Sichuan Yangqin is especially famous for its clear and melodious tone and rich artistic expression. Our students got lost listening to it and enjoyed the wonderful performances at the concert.



Delicate Sichuan Yangqin



The excellent Sichuan Yangqin Concert!



Students interacted with the artists and learned more about the Sichuan Yangqin after watching their performance



Cutting sliced noodles (as thin as a strand of hair!) with a 5kg heavy knife while blindfolded!

Field Trip to Sichuan Cuisine Museum

The students and professor from the World Food and Culture class paid a visit to Sichuan Cuisine Museum this past weekend. During the trip, the students got to learn about the history of Sichuan Cuisine, its main flavors, and the historic kitchen wares and tables. The food court at the museum also offered a great opportunity for the students to do their scavenger hunt assignment: to locate and identify as many foods and cooking ingredients as possible.



House Party

After mid-terms, we hosted a house party as we did in previous semesters for our students to relax and have fun. This time, the house party location was on a roof where the students got to have a barbecue and enjoy the night view of Chengdu. And of course, we had the usual fun activities including mahjong, karaoke, cards, and other board games at the party. We are glad to see our students could take this opportunity to have fun with old friends as well as make new friends.



Murder Mystery Game

Just like the escape room activity, the murder mystery game is another activity that students enjoy nowadays. Assigned with different roles and tasks, the players are required to find clues on the set scene or by talking to other players in order to solve a murder case. This kind of game can usually last several hours to a couple of days depending on the script. Our students formed groups last weekend and played this witty and entertaining game!



Big chefs!

Students reading the scripts and learning about their roles



A real-life setting scene

Student Voice

"This is my first time studying with G-MEO and I've enjoyed the program so far. The courses offered here really met my academic requirements. The professors are responsible during class and care about us in daily life. The activities organized by G-MEO are rich. I participated several of them, which make my studying and life here very enjoyable."

--Yanyan Shi, Finance major, Junior from American University

Student Voice

"This is my third semester with G-MEO. Thanks to this program, I could have in-person classes in a safe and relaxing environment. I got to make friends with classmates coming from cities outside of Chengdu. And as a local here, I can stay with my family and friends while having US-style college classes. It is an overall pleasant studying experience!"

--Youjie Pei, Business Management major, Sophomore from Fairleigh Dickinson University