

WEEK 9-13

Chengdu American Center

Program Goes Online

Due to a sudden outbreak of COVID-19 in Chengdu, the program had to switch online during the second half of the 9th week. Under the guidelines of the Chengdu municipal government, the Center tracked the students' health during the outbreak. In order not to affect the students' arrangements on their U.S. visa application process and their plans for going back to America in December and January, the program was kept online for the last few weeks. Even with this change, both the academics and activities had been going smoothly.





Business and the Law class by Prof. Andy Guth and Prof. Glenn Vallach





Prof. Qi Han and his students from Special Topics: Corporate Finance class

Student Voice

"My greatest pleasure while studying with G-MEO is their extracurricular activities. It is usually not easy to study in college because of all the schoolwork. But the constant weekly activities provide us with an opportunity to relax. As an introvert and being afraid of making new friends, I can get together more with other students during these activities. Although some of the professors are from Chinese universities, I really enjoy my time with them and appreciate their sense of responsibility and expertise."

-- Kexin Li, Business Administration major, Sophomore from American University



Online Business Seminar

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Since the program switched online and a few events and activities had to be canceled, the Center managed to host an online Business Seminar with the theme of Business Model Innovation and Entrepreneurship Management. The guest speaker graduated from the Tsinghua University School of Economics and Management. Her rich experience and insights in entrepreneurship, business innovation, business investment, and consultation taught our students a lot. Our students were also very active in the final Q & A session.

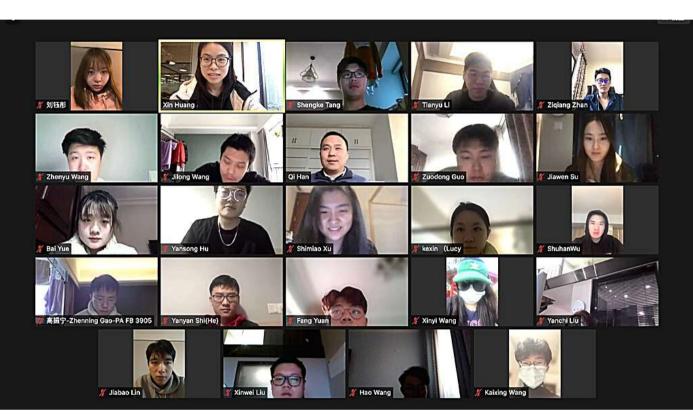


Final Examinations

Our faculty team quickly adapted to online course instruction and class management after the Center announced the program would go online. Changes to their final examination arrangements were also made. The faculty members decided to use various assessment methods including open-book tests, closed-book tests, presentations, and essay-writing. The students worked very hard on their final group projects, presentations, and examinations.



Students from the Organizational Behavior class taking their final examination



Principles of Financial Analysis class by Prof. Qi Han



Course Evaluation and Program **Evaluation**

In the last two weeks, both the course evaluation and program evaluation surveys were sent to the students to collect their comments and feedback on our academics and program as a whole. As our program approached the end, we wanted to learn our students' views on the advising and application process, academics implementation, extracurricular activities, internship program, and the faculty and staff teams. We are pleased to see that our students have been enjoying our program

and it has helped them with their college academic fulfilment and future career planning.

Prof. Vasilis Katsikiotis and his students from Special Topics: Portfolio Management class

Faculty Voice

"This has been a particularly exciting semester! In my World Food & Culture class, I have been very happy to see the excitement and active participation among my students as they learned more about their own culture (and many others!) through an ethnocultural and culinary lense. The degree of self-reflection and insightful feedback I have received this semester has made it a true joy to teach each of you! There have certainly been some hiccups along the way with the need to cancel field trips and transition to on-line instruction during the last few weeks of the semester, but I did not notice a decline in enthusiasm among the students or G-MEO staff at all! I am personally proud to be associated with all of you incredible people at this crucial, though sometimes confusing and chaotic, time!"

-- Dr. Barnabas Seyler, Professor of World Food and Culture Class

THANK YOU ALL FOR CHOOSING G-MEO THIS FALL!