

Title: Faculty Development in China (FDIC) Grants

Objective: To familiarize Purdue faculty with key institutions, cities, and regions in China with the objective of developing new collaborative research, study abroad and student exchange, faculty exchange, international student recruitment, and engagement activities.

A group of up to ten (10) faculty will travel to China with International Programs staff for two weeks to interact with university colleagues and government officials, and to visit industrial, cultural, and historically significant sites. Featured universities include Ningbo University and the Harbin Institute of Technology. Visits to Beijing and/or Shanghai will also be planned.

Timeline: This program will occur in alternating years, with the first trip planned for Summer of 2007. An RFP will be issued in the Fall 2006 semester for faculty selection in early Winter, and travel to China the following Summer.

Eligibility: This program is open to all faculty on the West Lafayette campus.

Process: Interested faculty should submit a proposal in response to the RFP issued in alternating fall semesters.

Proposals should include:

- A description of your position (including department name and College), the research you undertake and the courses you teach, and a short CV;
- A description of your goals for the travel program that address the following: How will participation assist you in new discovery, learning, and engagement activities? How will this new knowledge and experience translate into collaborative research, advocacy for and implementation of students studying abroad, and/or recruitment of graduate students?

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