International study tour takes tourism classes to a new level!

Students from the Northern Sydney Institute, part of TAFE NSW are taking their learning to a new level as they embark on the study tour of a lifetime. Ten students from the Tourism, Events and Hospitality faculty at the Institute’s Northern Beaches Campus are heading to China for a 13 day educational experience.

“This trip is a wonderful opportunity for our students to gain an insight into Australia’s growing Chinese tourism market,” said Kevin Harris, Director, Northern Sydney Institute.

“As one of the leading vocational and tertiary education providers in Australia, we are proud to be able to offer our students enriching experiences beyond the classroom which enhance their studies and career prospects,” Mr Harris said.

The students will spend one week in classes at Guangdong Jidian Polytechnic, a partner college of the Northern Sydney Institute which delivers the Advanced Diploma of Tourism to Chinese students.

Funded by the Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education (DIISTRE), the trip also includes sightseeing in Guangzhou and Beijing as part of the itinerary.

Northern Beaches Campus Diploma of Tourism student Tanya Tate is excited about meeting fellow students and being immersed in Chinese culture.

“As tourism professionals, it’s important we know as much as we can about lots of different destinations,” she said.

“It’s fantastic that this kind of experience is so accessible through the Northern Sydney Institute.

“This trip is unique, as it will allow us to visit Guangdong Jidian Polytechnic not as a tourist, but as fellow students.

“I’m really looking forward to meeting the students and experiencing their local culture – I think it will be a great learning experience.”
The integrated study tour will be led by Travel and Tourism teacher Caron Peacock.

“This is a fantastic way for the students to learn about other countries and cultures,” said Ms Peacock.

“To be successful throughout their career, they will need to be able to draw on diverse travel experiences.

“China is currently a major inbound tourism market for NSW, and as such it’s important the students learn about China.

“The study tour has the potential to shape their future careers, and enhance their knowledge of Asia.”

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Additional Information

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- The Institute offers more than 600 courses and programs to more than 50,000 local and international students annually.
- The Institute delivers training and services in the workplace, on-line, off shore and at our Bradfield, Crows Nest, Hornsby, Meadowbank, North Sydney, Northern Beaches and Ryde Campuses. We also deliver courses through partner institutions in Bangkok, Shanghai, Shenzen and Songjiang to over 500 students.
- World-class facilities, progressive technology, and the expertise of our staff combine to deliver high quality training to meet industry demands. Graduates of the Northern Sydney Institutes are industry-ready with the relevant skills required in today’s employment market.