

Call for Expressions of Interest AISWA International Study Tour to China 2016

In partnership with the Confucius Institute at the University of Western Australia and following the success of the 2014 Study Tour to China, AISWA invites Principals and school leaders to submit an expression of interest to attend the 2016 AISWA International Study Tour to China. **The tour is scheduled for 24 September - 1 October 2016.**

This unique opportunity will allow school leaders to gain a greater understanding of the Asian region, contributing to the Australian Curriculum's cross-curricular perspective of Asia and Australia's engagement with Asia.

The tour is specifically geared to the education sector in China, with a view to gaining a better insight into the possibilities of interaction between Western Australian Schools and Chinese Schools. It will be contextualised within a broad introduction to Chinese culture, education, economic development, with a particular focus on municipality: Hangzhou.

Run in conjunction with the Zhejiang University, the educational tour will include visits to schools, with in-depth discussions with local principals and teachers, and with representatives of the Chinese Ministry of Education in Zhejiang. You will be accompanied by a representative from the Confucius Institute who will offer both interpretative and guide services, and expert explanation of the context of each component of the visit. If you wish, you will also have the opportunity to begin the process of developing a student exchange relationship with schools in China.

Places are still available for this study tour, should you wish to express your interest in participating please complete the online form by clicking <u>here</u>.

Invitations to confirm participation will be sent to schools in early December, 2015. Costs payable for each participant will be \$3,000 which is required by 26th February, 2016 to secure a place on the tour. The tour includes:

- return international airfare and travel visa
- school and cultural visits
- individual accommodation (4 star minimum)
- breakfast and lunch daily
- some evening meals
- daily tour transfers

Note: Delegates/Schools will be responsible for all personal expenses, including some evening meals, insurance, travel to and from the Perth International Airport and any other costs associated with extra days or activities outside of the AISWA tour.

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