SEAMEO POLYTECHNIC NETWORK MEETING
6th
AT DUY TAN UNIVERSITY
Da Nang City, Viet Nam

AGREEMENT FOR THE 5TH BATCH OF SEA-TVET STUDENT EXCHANGE

Tentative dates:
October 16th - 19th, 2019

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Mission Statement of DTU:

“With the Vietnamese spirit and the traditions of the historic Duy Tan movement, Duy Tan University makes the most out of its strengths and its close cooperation with domestic and international universities, enterprises, and individuals in order to become a multi-level, multi-discipline university, providing quality human resource of international standards in different lines of business and technology to serve the industrialization and modernization of Vietnam.”

DTU Facts:

Student Population: ~20,000 (including 800 graduate students)

Faculty & Staff: 1,000 faculty members
178 support staff members

Campus: 6 campuses
~40 hectares (almost 100 acres) in total area
## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

### AUGUST
- **4 August**
  - Start of **Fall Semester**
  - Independence Day of Vietnam
  - Mid-Autumn Festival
- **17 October**
  - Last Day for Annual College Admission

### SEPTEMBER
- Mid-Autumn Festival
- Independence Day of Vietnam

### OCTOBER
- **17 October**
  - Last Day for Annual College Admission
- Midterm Weeks of Fall Semester
- Halloween
- Teacher’s Day
- Christmas Day

### NOVEMBER
- Teacher’s Day
- Christmas Day

### DECEMBER
- Christmas Day
- Final Weeks of Fall Semester
- End of **Fall Semester**
- New Year’s Day
- Star of **Spring Semester**

### JANUARY
- **1 January**
  - New Year’s Day
  - Star of **Spring Semester**
- **17 January**
  - Star of Spring Semester
- **1 February**
  - Têt Holiday

### FEBRUARY
- Têt Holiday

### MARCH
- International Women’s Day
- Midterm Weeks of Spring Semester

### APRIL
- **10 April**
  - Memorial Day of Hung Kings
  - National Reunification Day
- **15 April**
  - Midterm Weeks of Spring Semester

### MAY
- **1 May**
  - Labor Day
  - May Day

### JUNE
- **15 June**
  - End of **Spring Semester**
- **16 June**
  - Start of Summer Break
- **17 June**
  - Start of Summer Session

### JULY
- **1 July**
  - End of Summer Session
- **Last Saturday in July**
  - End of Summer Session

(usually in mid-September)

(usually first 2 weeks of January or last week of December and first week of January)

(usually in late January or February or early March)
EXPLORATION JOURNEY-VIETNAM

**DAY 1**

**ARRIVAL & CHECK IN**
- Airport pick-up
- Hostel check-in
- Lunch: Local Food with Student Ambassadors
- Free and easy
- Dinner: Local Dinner with Student Ambassadors

**ACTIVITY 1**
CULTURAL WORKSHOP
Within the interested culture and was created distinctively through the thousands of years by Cham, Vietnamese, Chinese, French, American, Indian. You’ll gain an appreciation for how the cultural dimensions of different countries influence global community. You will have a chance to participate in the cultural environment to experience and explore.

**ACTIVITY 2**
VISIT LINH UNG Pagoda
Built on a site of 12 hectares on the Son Tra Peninsula, the Linh Ung is the largest pagoda in Da Nang in terms of scale & artistic architecture. The pagoda is famous for its beautiful 67-metres-tall Goddess of Mercy statue standing on a lotus-shaped platform. Inside the statue, which is equivalent to a 30-storey building, there are 17 levels, allowing visitors to admire the view from different heights. Each of the 17 levels houses 21 Buddha statues, with different appearances, expressions & gestures.

**ACTIVITY 3**
VISIT MARBLE MOUNTAIN
Marble Mountains is a cluster of five marble and limestone hills located in Ngũ Hành Son ward, south of Danang city. The five 'mountains' are named after the five elements; Kim (metal), Thuy (water), Moc (wood), Hoa (fire) & Tho (earth). With the mysterious, dreamlike scenery, pagodas and caves, Ngũ Hành Son has been actually the Eden for the travelers. At this village, you can admire all those wonderful works created by patient craftsmen right in front of you. All the stones for the works are taken and transferred from the Marble Mountains.

**ACTIVITY 4**
VISIT HOI AN ANCIENT TOWN
A full day visiting the many interesting sites of Hoi An, including Quan Cong Temple, founded in 1653. The Phuoc Kien Pagoda is a typical example of the Chinese ‘clans’ that were established in the Hoi An area, was built around 1690. The Japanese Covered Bridge, constructed in 1593 was built by the Japanese community of Hoi An, to link them with the Chinese quarters across the river. The Sa Huynh Museum contains exhibitions from the earliest period of Hoi An’s history. Finally we visit the Phung Hung House, a structure that combines Vietnamese, Japanese and Chinese architectural styles and has been the home to one family for eight generations.

**ACTIVITY 5**
LOCAL MARKET DISCOVERY
In mind of Vietnamese people, “market” is a very familiar picture in daily life. People can find out a crowded and animated market everywhere in this country, Vietnam, from tranquil suburb to crowded urban areas. Market is not only the place for trading and exchanging goods and services but also the thing that expresses the traditional culture of the country in the most meaningful way.

**DAY 2**

**CULTURAL EXCHANGE**
- ACTIVITY 1:
  Welcome Reception & Breaking the Ice: Cultural Workshop
  Lunch: Local Food with Student Ambassadors
- ACTIVITY 2:
  Visit Linh Ung Pagoda
  Dinner: Local Dinner with Student Ambassadors - Discovering Colorful Han River by night with buddies

**DAY 3**

**BEAUTIFUL DANANG**
- Breakfast: Local Food with Student Ambassadors
- ACTIVITY 3:
  Visit Marble Mountains
  Lunch: Local Food with Student Ambassadors
- ACTIVITY 4:
  Visit Ho i An Ancient Town
  Dinner: Local Dinner with Student Ambassadors

**DAY 4**

**GIVING BACK**
- Breakfast: Local Food with Student Ambassadors
- ACTIVITY 5:
  Visit Linh Ung Pagoda
  Lunch: Farewell lunch

*The agenda is subject to change depending on the arrival & departure itinerary*

**JOURNEY ADD-ONS**
Additional options for extended Journeys to extend their experience

**MY SON SANCTUARY TRIP**
30 USD/pax
My Son Sanctuary dates from 4th to the 3rd centuries CE. The property is located in the mountainous border Duc Xuyen District of Quang Nam Province, in central Vietnam. The monuments of the My Son sanctuary are the most important constructions of the My Son civilization. The tower temples have a variety of architectural designs symbolizing the greatness and purity of Mount Meru, the mythical sacred mountain home of Hindu gods at the center of the universe, now symbolically reproduced on Earth in the mountainous homeland of Cham people. The My Son Sanctuary is a remarkable architectural ensemble that developed over a period of ten centuries.

**CHAM ISLAND**
40 USD/pax
The Cham Islands (Vietnamese: Cù lao Chăm) constitute a group of 8 small islands of Quang Nam Province, which form a part of the Cù Lao Cham Marine Park, a world Biosphere Reserve recognized by UNESCO, in the South East Asia Sea in Vietnam. The islands are approachable from Cua Dai beach. The islands are also recognized as Vietnam’s national scenic site. Cham Island with its cool climate, beautiful and clean beaches with white sand, transparent water and plentiful of protected marine habitats has attracted many tourists recently.

**HUE CITADEL**
50 USD/pax
“Poetic Hue, dreamy and romantic Hue, Hue - city of two World Heritages...” are the ever names people call Hue city - the latest imperial capital of Vietnam under Nguyen dynasty (from the 17th to 19th century). Once known as the ancient capital of Vietnam, Hue is now like a bass note of a lively music writing a dynamic Vietnam. Here converge all interests that draw traveler’s; sense of discovery, from fascinating culture, art and architecture, unique cuisine, handicraft villages, great history to picturesque landscapes.

**BANA HILLS**
50 USD/pax
Escape from Da Nang city and spend the day on the beautiful Ba Na Hills. Marvel at the exquisite architecture of the Linh Ung Pagoda, feeling refreshingly cool weather and gorgeous countryside views, and enjoy exciting games at Fantasy theme park on top of Ba Na Hill. In Ba Na Hills, with a cool climate all year round, a day can experience four seasons: spring in the morning, summer at noon, autumn in the afternoon and winter in the evening.

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SKILL JOURNEY

HOI AN - THE LANTERN TOWN

NAME OF SCHOOL  Duy Tan University
NAME OF COURSE  Hoi An – The Lantern town

COURSE CONTENT  This program explores Vietnamese culture via daily life experiences and practices such as Vietnamese language, cooking class and experiential field trip in Hoi An.

LEARNING OUTCOME

By participating this course, students will be able to:

- Develop intercultural awareness and understanding of Vietnamese culture, lifestyle and tradition.
- Learn Vietnamese language and how to cook Vietnamese cuisines.
- Gain hands-on and unique experience in Hoi An Ancient Town, a World Cultural Heritage Site.
- Adapt to new studying and living environment.
- Enrich soft skills such as teamwork and presentation.
- Make new friends from diverse backgrounds.

DURATION  2 Weeks
NO. OF CREDITS  3 Credits Hours

AGENDA

DAY 1  Airport pick-up & Transfer to hotel
DAY 2  Welcome reception & Cultural exchange with DTU students
DAY 3  Lecture on Vietnamese culture and custom
DAY 4  Vietnamese language class
DAY 5  Lecture on Hoi An history and culture & Briefing on lantern workshop
DAY 6  Field trip to Hoi An town
DAY 7  Lantern workshop; Self-discovery in Hoi An & Releasing flower garlands
DAY 8  Group presentation on Hoi An discovery & Lantern workshop
DAY 9  Free and easy
DAY 10  Vietnamese cooking class
DAY 11  Danang city tour
DAY 12  Free and easy
DAY 13  Farewell reception
DAY 14  Check out and depart for airport

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6  BEST  ATTRACTIONS  
IN  DA  NANG  CITY

1. MY KHE BEACH
My Khe Beach boasts a 20-mile stretch of white sand that’s approximately 6km east of Da Nang. It is considered to be one of Vietnam's most picturesque beaches. Hosting a number of high-end resorts and seafood restaurants, My Khe Beach is also a popular spot for sunbathing, fishing, snorkelling, jet-skiing, and surfing.

2. MARBLE MOUNTAINS
Marble Mountains are a cluster of five limestone and marble hills within Hoa Hai District, about 9km south of Da Nang. Named after natural elements, the peaks are individually known as Thuy Son (water), Moc Son (wood), Hoa Son (fire), Kim Son (metal) and Tho Son (earth). There are also a host of 17th-century Buddhist sanctuaries and pagoda temples dotted across the mountains, where locals pray and get their fortunes told.

3. SON TRA (MONKEY) MOUNTAIN
Son Tra (Monkey) Mountain is a breath-taking national park in Da Nang that stands at 693 metres above sea level. Locally known as the Son Tra Peninsula, the winding roads surrounding prove to be a popular spot for motorcycling while hiking enthusiasts can enjoy the verdant jungles and also spot rare species such as the red face monkeys. Linh Ung Pagoda is also set on Son Tra (Monkey) Mountain, which is a prominent attraction in Da Nang for housing the tallest statue of the Goddess of Mercy. Built atop a lotus-shaped platform, there are a total of 21 miniature Buddha sculptures within the beautiful 67 metre-tall white statue.
4. DRAGON BRIDGE

Dragon Bridge measures 666 metres in length. A popular spot amongst photographers, the six-lane bridge crosses the Han River and is constructed in the shape of a golden dragon, which locals believe symbolizes power, nobility and good fortune. While it's a magnificent sight at any time of the day, Dragon Bridge is particularly cool during weekends as it is illuminated with colourful LED while it breathes fire and spits out water from 21:00 onwards.

5. CHAM MUSEUM

Cham Museum Da Nang commemorates the culture, lifestyle, and practices of Vietnam's indigenous Cham tribe, who have roots dating back as far as 192AD. Founded during the colonial French rule in 1915, it is known as the only museum of its kind in the world. Cham Museum Da Nang is divided into ten interior exhibition rooms, where 300 terracotta and stone sculptures from the 7th to the 15th centuries are showcased according to the region in which they were found. The museum also offers daily guided tours for groups of five and above from 8:00 to 10:00 and from 14:00 to 16:30.

6. DA NANG CATHEDRAL

Da Nang Cathedral is one of the most unique catholic churches in Vietnam, featuring a pink-painted edifice, stained-glass windows, and an imposing bell tower topped with a rooster weathercock. Built by the French in 1923, it's also known as Con Ga Church (Rooster Church) and serves the local Catholic community to this very day. The cathedral is located along Tran Phu Street, about a 15-minute walk from the iconic Dragon Bridge. Entrance to Da Nang Cathedral is free of charge and its high tower offers a stunning view of the city, Han River, and verdant mountains.
6 BEST ATTRACTIONS

IN HOI AN TOWN

1. HOI AN ANCIENT TOWN
Hoi An Ancient Town offers a breathtaking mix of ornate Chinese temples, a Japanese-designed bridge, wooden shop-houses, French-colonial houses, and old canals. Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1999, most of the old shops have been carefully converted to modern businesses aimed at tourists including countless tailors, souvenir shops, art galleries, restaurants and cafés.

2. JAPANESE COVERED BRIDGE
The Japanese Covered Bridge, which dates back to the 18th century, is one of the most prominent attractions in Hoi An Ancient Town. Spanning 18 metres in length, locals believe that it was built by the Japanese then living in Hoi An as a way to reach the Chinese quarter across the water. In 1719, Lord Nguyen Phuc Chu officiated the bridge by carving three Chinese symbols above the entrance. The Japanese Covered Bridge also features intricate sculptures of two dogs and two monkeys to represent the birth years of prominent Japanese Emperors.

3. FUJIAN ASSEMBLY HALL
Fujian Assembly Hall is a symbolic icon of Hoi An architecture and Fujian artistry, boasting beautiful statues of Buddhist deities, altars adorned with delicate carvings of dragons, bronze bells drums, and lacquered artwork. Constructed in 1690, this World Cultural Heritage Site was utilised by residents from Fujian in China to meet up and socialise whilst living or visiting Hoi An. Fujian Assembly Hall is also the home of Jinshang Golden Mountain temple, which is dedicated to Thien Hau, the goddess of the sea and caretaker of sailors. There is also a fertility shrine where childless couples pray in hopes of conceiving.
4. AN BANG BEACH

An Bang Beach houses an array of beachfront resorts, seafood restaurants, and hippy bars with stunning views of neighboring mountains and islets. It’s one of the few stretches of beach in Hoi An that’s relatively unspoiled by development, where you can enjoy activities such as swimming and paddle-boarding, or simply relaxing on sun beds. Surf season is from September until March, and there are plenty of surf and stand-up paddling classes available for inexperienced visitors. Great for soaking up the sun after a day of exploring Hoi An Ancient Town, An Bang Beach is a mere 10-minute drive away.

5. CHUC THANH PAGODA

Chuc Thanh Pagoda was founded by Monk Minh Hai of Chine in 1454, making it the oldest Buddhist pagoda in Hoi An. Featuring a mix of Vietnamese and Chinese architectural designs, the temple houses a marble statue of Guan Yin (Goddess of Mercy), intricate animal carvings, lacquered pillars, and 16 grave towers of eminent monks. Chuc Thanh Pagoda is regarded as the birthplace of the “Thien Tam Te” religion, where antique ritual objects such as a 200 year-old stone gong, a carp-shaped wooden gong, and several bells are still in use to this very day.

6. HOI AN MUSEUM OF TRADE CERAMICS

Hoi An Museum of Trade Ceramics is set within a restored timber house along Tran Phu Street, displaying a vast selection of foreign ceramics with detailed English-written descriptions. Offering a cultural insight into the history of Hoi An and foreign relationships with countries such as Japan, China and India, these artefacts mainly date back between the 8th and 18th centuries. Entrance is free of charge, and visitors can experience what it’s like to live in a traditional Vietnamese house. Located in Hoi An Ancient Town, Hoi An Museum of Trade Ceramics is just a five-minute stroll from the iconic Japanese Covered Bridge.
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