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Lingnan University & Beijing Normal University
Joint Humanitarian Entrepreneurship Summer Academy 2018

I. Program Background

This summer, Lingnan University (LU) and Beijing Normal University (BNU) will initiate and co-host a 4-week international program **Joint Humanitarian Entrepreneurship Summer Academy 2018**. The program will also be supported by the China Office of the UNDP (United Nations Development Program), the Regional Office of the UNOCHA (United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs) and leading foundations in China.

The Summer Academy provides an invaluable opportunity to young innovators from all over the globe to join together and advance their study. Students will not only learn more about interconnected issues in Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and China & the South-South Cooperation, but also sharpen their research skills by putting what they have learnt to practice through guided field research and service-learning projects in selected topics.

The Academy comprises two 3-credit courses:

- (1) SDGs And Humanitarian Governance, and
- (2) Innovation & Entrepreneurship For Global Grand Challenges.

All credits are recognized by and transferable both BNU and LU. Students will also receive a certificate of completion upon completing the Academy.

II. Benefits

This program combines 3 key elements, Research, Service-Learning and Lectures on key global issues and South-South cooperation delivered by top professors and experts, to give students an exceptional learning experience and equip them with new skills and knowledge like design thinking, research design, market analysis etc.. This experience would be beneficial to study as well as future career development of the participants as it trains students to be able to question fundamental assumptions, and to design and implement new solutions to solve problems in both classroom and workplace settings.

With the participation of international students, the program also gives participants new insights into how a certain topic could be examined and analyzed from different angles through the eyes of students from a diverse cultural & education backgrounds. This could help humanitarian-minded innovators to develop entrepreneurial mindset and strengthen analytical skills to drive global change and to have a thorough understanding of SDGs and humanitarian governance, which are the main focuses of the program.

Upon completion of the Academy, students not only can get 6 transferable credits that are recognized by both LU and BNU, but also a certificate of completion.

III. Program Detail

Venue: Beijing

Date: 11th June – 12th July, 2018 (4-week)*

Participants: 40 university students from Hong Kong, Beijing, Korea, USA and Central Asia

* Please note that the program date may shift slightly by a few days.

IV. Target Students

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All undergraduate students are eligible to apply.

Come join us if you want to develop insights into China's roles and contributions to regional humanitarian affairs and examine creative approaches for solving pressing global challenges.

V. Enquiry

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