



## Shanghai Xiandai Architecture Internship Program

### Application Deadline

February 15, 2019

### About Xiandai and the Xiandai-UO Internship Program

China has seen an unparalleled amount of urban development in the last two decades, with building continuing through the recent global economic downturn. Oregon students can assist in designing new cities and building complexes by interning at the [Shanghai Xian Dai Architectural Design \(Group\)](#). Xian Dai is the largest award-winning architectural firm in China with over 4,000 staff. It was responsible for master planning many cities, and design and construction of more than 70% of the landmark buildings in Shanghai. The company's portfolio includes major developments in transportation, sports, cultural, commercial, residential, health care and education facilities throughout China.

In 2010, the U of O Department of Architecture established an exchange program with Xian Dai. Xian Dai welcomes summer interns from U of O who would contribute knowledge of green buildings and sustainable communities. The interns will work at Xian Dai as part of their project teams, and help design and planning teams to facilitate projects. Chinese language skills are not required.

### Scholarships

Up to 4 students from U of O will participate in the internship for eight weeks. There are two scholarships available through Global Studies Institute for your internship experience.

- The Freeman Internship Fellowships provides up to \$5,000 to U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- The GSI small grant for special programs provides up to \$2,000 to both international and U.S. students

No need to submit a separate application for the scholarships. Just check the box in the application to be considered for both. You will be asked to provide the demonstration of financial need.

### Requirements and Criteria

- Students must have completed core studios and be eligible for 4/584 studios
- Compelling written rationale for selection
- Ability to communicate and collaborate effectively
- Excellent character: references show individual is mature, responsible, resourceful and thoughtful
- Ability to contribute to designing sustainable cities, landscapes and buildings
- Evidence of previous interest in Asian culture
- Chinese language ability is helpful but not required

**Course requirement:**

You will be required to take a 4-credit online intercultural communication course during the internship.

This course is designed to provide ongoing support to students doing internships abroad. Students will observe, explore and investigate the core cultural values in their host country during the internship, conduct comparison in the differences between their host and home country, and develop critical thinking skills and culture learning strategies. A weekly assignment for the online course includes: reading assignments, group discussions and a weekly journal. It will begin one week before your internship begins and end one week after completion.

Due to the intense nature of interning, in addition to taking the 4 credit course, we recommend you do not enroll for any other classes during the internship period.

**Internship Budget****Summer 2019**

<b>Program Fees (Total)</b>	<b>6,765</b>
Tuition & Fees (4 credits) includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• visa application support</li> <li>• airport pickup</li> <li>• weekly language class</li> <li>• cultural activities</li> <li>• 24/7 onsite support</li> </ul>	4,365
Housing	2,400
<b>Other Projected Expenses (Estimates*)</b>	
International Airfare	1,500
Food & Personal Expenses	2,200

*\*Projected expenses are estimates only; this budget is for a very modest standard of living. Students should count on spending at least the above amounts during the program.*

**PROGRAM DEPOSIT:** A non-refundable program deposit of \$500 is due within two weeks of acceptance, unless otherwise specified. The program deposit is not an additional fee but is part of the total program fee. Once paid, the program deposit is non-refundable except in cases where a student is denied acceptance to the program for which he or she has applied. Students who fail to pay the program deposit by the first cancellation listed below for their program will have their program application cancelled.

## Application Materials

Each application must include the following:

- A completed Internship Application Form (attached);
- A cover letter (300-400 words) explaining interests and qualifications, answering the question, “How will this experience in China further your career goals?”
- A current resume;
- List of three faculty references
- A link to your online portfolio. Include at least one studio project and a short writing sample such as an essay or research report.
- Demonstration of financial need if apply to Freeman. Please include a copy of your Financial Aid Award Letter. If you do not have a financial aid package, you may instead include a separate paragraph detailing your specific budgetary and financial need.

**Please return materials to:**

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# XIANDAI ARCHITECTURE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UO ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Last

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY) \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity and Origin:

- Asian
- Black and African American
- Latino
- Multi-racial
- Native American and Alaska Native
- Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander
- White
- Prefer not to answer

Current Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ UO Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Email: \_\_\_\_\_  U.S. Citizen  Permanent Resident

Degree Sought: B.A./B.S. M.A./M.S. Ph.D. Other \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Term: \_\_\_\_\_

List of three faculty references who can vouch for the students' character and professional abilities.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

- I give permission for the selection committee to check my student conduct record at the UO.
- I would like to be considered for the Freeman Internships and the GSI small grant for special programs (up to \$5,000; US citizens and permanent residents only).
- I would like to be considered for the GSI Small Grant for special programs (up to \$2,000; both domestic and international students can apply).

Please provide a copy of your Financial Aid Award Letter. If you do not have a financial aid package, you may instead include a separate paragraph detailing your specific budgetary and financial need below.