Hello All Geography Major and Specialization Students:

The Department of Geography has some wonderful news to share with you. Western Geography is one of three universities that will be participating in a 10 to 12-day Field course in the Pearl River Delta of China. The dates have yet to be finalized but the course could start as early as May 15 and be completed by June 15 2017.

The prerequisite for this Field course is to have completed the Geography of China course (Geog 2041F/G) last year (Winter 2016) or this coming year (Geog 2041F/G) offered in Winter and Fall.

A significant amount of the cost will be covered by donations from Cecilia Yau. We hope that the only cost for students will be the air fare. There is also funding available from International Learning: http://www.uwo.ca/international/learning/go_abroad/funding.html that you may qualify for.

Three universities will participate in the course: Dept. of Geography and Resource Management, CUHK (http://www.grm.cuhk.edu.hk/eng/ - 20 students), School of Geography and Planning, SYSU (http://gp.sysu.edu.cn/EN/ - 10 students) and Western Geography (http://geography.uwo.ca/ - 5 students). The length of the course is thought to be 11 or 12 –days starting in mid to late May.

While in Hong Kong, the Western contingent will stay at the CUHK Guest House. During the course, we hope to visit Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Kaiping and other communities in the region.

The overarching theme of the Field Course is proposed to be: Change, growth and sustainable development.

If you are interested in the course, please note the following timeline:

- Provide information to all eligible students: September 2016
- Organizational meeting with interested students: October 2016
- Interviews with short-listed students: November 2016
- Selection and registration of students in course: December 2016
- Meetings about the course with the instructor as appropriate: January to May 2017
- Actual trip: mid May to mid June 2017

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