Yanbian University of Science and Technology's English House!!!

"Jump" at the opportunity to be an English House Summer Volunteer (SV) at Yanbian University of Science and Technology (YUST) in NE China!



English House (EH) is a 30-day immersion program unique within the PRC's university/college system. The EH objective is to submerse students in "street level" advanced spoken English (ASE). They swim or drown. EH includes formal training 2 hours per day, practicing ASE in the classroom every day, and using the remaining 22 hours a-day swimming or floundering in English. Most learn to swim!

The EH objective is accomplished through formal events...speaking, writing, acting, singing, working, creating, and competing as teams and individuals, as well as other informal activities that are part of dorm life. A key part of EH is the SVs and Teaching Assistants (TAs) who live in the dorm rooms with the students, and enforce an English-only environment for the 30-days EH is in session.

Last year, we added a leadership class to the EH program that proved to be highly successful. One of our goals at YUST is to develop these gifted students into tomorrow's junior leaders of the Chinese workplace. SVs and TAs will lead the students by example through this portion of the program. The Leadership program is taught in seminar format 2 hours per day.

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Sixty-seven students participated in YUST's 2016 EH. These EH students were supported by a cadre of: three professors (EH Director and the Leadership and ASE class instructors), 19 SVs, 16 TAs, and other administrative staff. Our SVs were native speaking students (college juniors and seniors) that came from the US, ROK, England and Ireland, and near-native speakers from Bolivia (teachers, government & business executives, and other professionals). The TAs were primarily YUST English majors: juniors, seniors, and recent graduates. See photo below of the 2016 EH cadre and students at the completion of a confidence building, elevated obstacle course not far from Yanji.



This year's goal is a minimum of: 100 students, and a cadre of 4-5 professors, 25 SVs, 25 TAs, and administrative staff as required.

Join us this summer at YUST, and be part of the English House team that's changing students' lives - tomorrow's PRC leaders - to be among the best communicators in the international language of science, technology and business – English!

If interested in being an English House Summer Volunteer, contact Adam Vincent, Director-YUST English Department, at adamrvincent@gmail.com or Mark Cain, English House Director, at cainengr@hotmail.com