

Course Title	<i>AI 149 China's Vanishing Cultures: An SNL Travel Course</i>
Travel Dates	Approx. dates of travel: June 2-21 st , 2006
Undergraduate Competences	A1E, A1H, H1B, H1E,H5, E1, E2, L10, L11
Course Description	<p><i>The world is a book, and those who do not travel read only one page. --St. Augustine</i></p> <p>China is the world's fastest growing economy. While economic benefits of its rapid development are clear, what risks are involved in such rapid cultural change? What happens when ancient traditional cultures are devastated by hasty development? What is the human cost of such losses? This course asks students to consider these questions as they encounter regions in China that recent economic development has not yet completely altered from their traditional state. Students will gain valuable understandings of religion, art, history and culture by engaging with present day China while unraveling its rich and complex past.</p>
Locations	<p>Through visits to cultural centers and interactions with local people, we will experience ethnic minorities in the Kunming area of Yunnan Province, attend a major cultural festival in Ulan Bator, Mongolia, and end the journey with a train ride on the Trans Siberian Railway across the Great Wall into Beijing.</p>
Cost	Approximately \$3,500 for SNL Students, depending on the size of the group.

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