

BHASVIC

China Residential - Beijing, Xi'an and Shanghai

Year 1 Business/ Economics A Level and Business BTEC Tuesday 1st July – Thursday 10th July 2025 45 places £2,488

Please note that this trip is running in lesson time and during Skills Week

As part of the Business and Economics course we are running a 10-day residential trip to China, during the trip, we will be visiting major organisations/ businesses, learn from the economic experiences of the local population and enjoy sites of economic, cultural and historical significance.

Outline Itinerary (indicative)

Day 1 to 5, Beijing

Fly to China overnight from a London airport. Departure airport will be confirmed nearer the time

Arrive in Beijing, meet guide and transfer to hotel. Visit to Beijing Olympic Park, host of the 2008 Olympics. Visit to UNESCO World Heritage site - Temple of Heaven. Visit to Tiananmen Square, the location of the huge protests in 1989 for political freedom from the Communist Party. Visit to The Forbidden City built in 1406 under the Ming dynasty. Visit Shanyuan Milk Factory OR accounting firm, Visit the Great Wall of China at the Juyongguan Pass. Visit the Sacred Way (Shen Dao), located at the foot of Tainshou Mountain & built in 1435 to house imperial tombs. Visit Yanjing Brewery, one of the world's largest breweries. Visit to Summer Place, Imperial gardens & temples set around Kunming Lake. Visit to Panda House. Hutong walking tour with local family visit. Take bullet train to Xi'an.

Day 6 to 7, Xi'an

Visit the UNESCO Word Heritage Site of the Terra-Cotta Army, dating from 200 BCE. Visit the Terra-Cotta Imitation Factory, which creates replicas of the ancient originals. Visit to the Buddhist Wild Big Goose Pagoda. Evening Dumpling Banquet with Tang Dynasty Show. Visit the Fortifications of Xi'an, one of the largest ancient military defensive systems in the world. Bike ride around the area. Visit to Bell & Drum Tower, an iconic landmark of Xi'an. Visit to the Xi'an Muslim Quater. Bullet train to Shanghai.

Day 8 to 10, Shanghai

Visit the Oriental Pearl TV Tower. Visit to the Lujiazui Financial District, China's largest financial zona. Visit to Jade Budha Temple & Yu Botanical Garden. Visit to The Bund waterfront with a night river cruise. Visit to Volkswagen Auto Factory, Yakult Factory OR Lecture on China's economy by local professor. Visit to the Tianzifang & Xintiandi, areas of modern Shanghai. Evening Acrobatic Show Coach & Maglev train to airport for flight home.

We hope your young person can join us for this exciting trip, please see the following pages on how to sign-up and pay.

Any questions please don't hesitate to contact Trip Leader, Tim Griffin, t.griffin@bhasvic.ac.uk

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The cost of the trip is £2,488. This includes return direct flights UK to China/ one piece of checked baggage/ return coach Brighton to London Airport / China airport transfers/ 8-nights, full-board accommodation/ all meals/ all activities & excursions, and entrance fees/ private English-speaking guide/ Bullet train tickets/ China visa fees (£130 for UK residents/ prices may vary if the student has a passport for another country of origin)/ European Study Tour travel insurance/ BHASVIC travel insurance/ 5% BHASVIC emergency contingency charge - any unspent monies will be refunded /Travel agent £80 flight contingency fee (due to fluctuating flight costs) – any unspent monies will be refunded

The following is not included in the cost of the trip: snacks/ drinks outside of mealtimes/ spending money

How to sign-up

To make sure that all students interested in joining this trip get a fair chance of getting a place we ask that you complete a sign-up form via this link. Residential sign-up form This does not secure you a place at this stage.

One application per student please and only put the students name down if you are sure they are 100% committed to going on the trip. **The deadline to sign-up is by midday on Sunday 10th November.**

We will then review numbers and if the trip is oversubscribed, we will randomly pick 45 students for the 45 places. We will then email parents/ carers to let them you know if the student does/ does not have a place. Those that don't will go on a waiting list. Those with a place will then need to pay the deposit to secure the place.

You will need to have your BHASVIC Parent Pay account set-up in advance to avoid any delays in payment if you are offered a place. Parents were emailed in September with their unique activation code, if you have not seen this email, you may find it in your junk mail. If you cannot locate the email, please contact cashdesk@bhasvic.ac.uk and ask for it to reissued, please include the full name of the student in the email

Paying the deposit (once allocated a place)

Please make sure you read the terms & conditions at the end of this letter before proceeding with payment.

Once you have received the email confirming the students place on the trip you will be able to log into your BHASVIC Parent Pay account and pay the initial deposit of £300 by midday Wednesday 13th November. Payment of the deposit secures the place on the trip. If the deadline is missed for deposit payment, then the place will be offered to a student on the waiting list.

Remaining balance

Once the deposit has been paid you can pay the remaining balance of £2,188 in 3 instalments via Parent Pay by the dates shown below. You can also make intermittent payments before those dates or pay in full.

Tuesday 7th January £729

Monday 3rd February £729

Monday 3rd March £730

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What happens next

Once you have paid the deposit, we will email parents/ carers a link to the online Residential Trip Form. This form collects emergency contacts/ medical details/ passport information (if applicable). Completion of this form is a requirement for the student to participate in the trip. All information is stored in line with GDPR and will be deleted after the trip is completed. Students will be required to complete a separate Code of Conduct form for the trip.

There will be a trip meeting for <u>students</u> held nearer the departure date where they will have an opportunity to meet the group and the Trip Leaders, ask any questions and receive the Trip Pack which will give them all the travel details/ emergency contacts whilst they are away. We will also email this pack to parents/ carers.

Terms & conditions

- 1. At the time of writing the cost of this trip is correct. There may occasions where elements of the trip will be affected by price rises which are out of BHASVICs control. In these instances, this cost will be passed to the parent/carer. BHASVIC will make sure we inform the parent/ carer of any price increase in a timely manner & will ensure any additional cost is kept to a minimum.
- 2. If the student wishes to withdraw from the trip, please email the Trip Leader & trips@bhasvic.ac.uk
- 3. If you choose to withdraw the student from the trip at any point, any monies paid will only be refunded if:
 - a. If we can fill the space from the waiting list. Please note <u>not</u> all trips will have a waiting list, in this instance we will advertise the trip to the relevant cohort one additional time to find a replacement. If we cannot fill the space, you will not receive a refund.
 - b. Any student from the waiting list being able to pay all monies outstanding in one payment
- 4. Final instalments need to be paid within 30 days of the stated due date. If payment is not made within this period, then BHASVIC reserves the right to withdraw the student from the trip & retain all monies paid for the trip thus far.
- 5. If a student withdraws from a trip and student names have already been submitted to a travel company or airline, then any cost incurred to replace that student/ or change details will be charged to the withdrawing parent/ carer
- 6. The student's parent/ carer will be asked to input their passport details (if applicable) via the Residential Trip Form. It is the parent/carers responsibility to make sure this information is correct & to arrange a new passport if necessary. BHASVIC is not responsible for any mistakes made whilst imputing passport details or for failure to renew a passport by time of the trip departure. Any cost incurred to correct mistakes will be charged to the parent/ carer.
- 7. In the incident of the refusal by immigration in the country of destination or refusal to board in the UK, cost to return the student home with an accompanying teacher will be charged to the parent/ carer. In instances where a passport renewal is not received in time for trip departure, BHASVIC will not refund any paid monies.
- 8. We will check if any student has any AI / ALS / Safeguarding / Medical Needs / Health and Safety Issues and PEEPS that the trip leader/s should be aware of just for the duration of the trip. This information will be collected via an online form & all is stored in line with data protection laws and will be deleted after the trip is completed.