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Subject: 2020 Lingnan W.T. Chan Fellowship Program – Overview and Information Seminars

**The Lingnan W.T. Chan Fellowship program is now accepting applications.** **The deadline to apply is Monday November 4, 2019 at 11pm China/Hong Kong Time.**

* **For information about the program and how to apply, go to:** <http://lingnanfoundation.org/how-to-apply/>
* **To register for an ONLINE informational seminar about the seminar, go to:**

[*https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_mm0He5PzT1iH5CEOlqGTXQ*](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mm0He5PzT1iH5CEOlqGTXQ)

*Please note that you will be asked to download the Zoom video conferencing software for your desktop computer or mobile phone.*

The information seminars will be held at the following times and you may register for one or more sessions:

1. Thursday, September 19, 9:00pm
2. Saturday, September 21, 11:00am
3. Wednesday, September 25, 9:00pm
4. Thursday, October 3, 9:00pm
5. Sunday, October 13, 11:00am

**About the Fellowship**

Started in 2001, the Fellowship is named for Professor Wing-Tsit Chan, Dean of Lingnan University and distinguished professor of Chinese philosophy and religion. The program takes the Lingnan motto of “Education for Service” as its core mission, providing educational and leadership opportunities for exemplary students from Sun Yat-sen University (SYSU) in Guangzhou and Lingnan University in Hong Kong.

Twelve Lingnan Chan Fellows will be assigned to work at a non-profit organization in the United States that addresses a critical social need. With support and guidance from program organizers, the one-semester internships are designed to help the Fellows gain practical experience in service work and inter-cultural cooperation. Fellows live in American homes for the full duration of the program. They also attend seminars on non-profit organization management and community development, cultural events, as well as mandatory weekly reflection meetings while in the United States.

**Eligibility**

To be eligible to apply for a 2020 Chan Fellowship, you must be either:

* A currently enrolled full-time SYSU graduate student from any major (excluding international students and students from Hong Kong or Macau); or
* A currently enrolled full-time Lingnan University second- or third-year undergraduate student or postgraduate student, from any major.Final year undergraduate and postgraduate students should provide proof of acceptance to graduate program for next academic year on or before May of the year.

**Important Dates:**

* Deadline to apply - Monday November 4, 2019 at 11pm China/Hong Kong Time
* Applicants who have been selected to be interviewed will be notified by December 31, 2019.
* The in-person interviews will take place on January 18-19, 2020 at a location to be determined. Applicants should hold these dates in case they are invited to be interviewed.
* For selected Fellows, there will be a mandatory orientation program held in June 5-7 OR June 12-14, 2020.
* The Fellowships begin in at the end of July 2020 or beginning of August 2020.

**Key Program Details**

* Length of Program: Fall Semester 2020 (6 months, August – January)
* Location of Fellowship Placement: University of California at Berkeley or another designated university in California
* Program Components
  + Internship – 32 hours/week for 17-20 weeks
  + Research Project
  + Academic Seminar – 6-8 hours/week
  + 2-day Leadership Workshop
  + One-on-One Mentorship with Lingnan Foundation Trustee
  + Cross-cultural Exchange and Immersion Opportunities
* Leaning Objectives: Education for Service

• Connect your personal and professional purpose to meaningful action in the community

• Gain research skills as a scholar with critical thinking and analysis

• Establish network with academic scholars and professional leaders in your field

• Understand cross-cultural differences and the impact of culture

• Enhance creativity in innovative and entrepreneurial solutions to real world problems

• Develop leadership competencies

• Engage in meaningful service that addresses the need and development of local communities

• Develop a habit of the mind and heart for service to humanity