**Schedule for American Studies Program**

**Duration：Three weeks**

**Place：Illinois State University (Normal, IL)**

**Week One:**

Day 1：Arrival at Chicago airport, pick-up arranged by ISU, arrival at the campus of ISU

Day 2, Wednesday：Campus orientation and city tour led by ISU staff. Shopping in the evening.

Day 3, Thursday ：Training begins:

* Morning：Lecture-American culture and educational system(I)
* Afternoon：Visit library, learning how to search books, use database and e-resources.
* Evening: Watching films with American students and participating in faculty-led discussion

Day 3 ：

* Morning：Lecture-American culture and educational system(II)
* Noon：Lunch with the ISU President and Provost
* Afternoon：Visit local art gallery and museums

Day 4 ：

* Morning：Lecture on China-U.S. History and Relations
* Afternoon：One-on-one language partners with American students
* Evening：Bowling night

Day 5：Chicago Tour I

Day 6：Rest or Shopping (Students can choose between the two options)

**Week Two**

Day 7

* Morning：Visit local primary and middle schools
* Afternoon：one-on-one language partners with American students
* Evening: Concert

Day 8：Auditing specialty courses (in groups based on students’ majors)

Day 9：Auditing specialty courses (same as above)

Day 10：Discussion with professors and graduate students (same as above)

Day 11：Visit local insurance company, and participate in discussions with practitioners

Day 12：Visit St. Louis

Day 13：Dinner with local families (in different groups)

**Week Three**

Day 14：Chicago tour II

Day 15: Class observations and one-on-one language partners

Day 16: Visit farms, art gallery or schools in groups according to students’ interest

Day 17：

* Morning：Tutoring session for applications of Graduate School with the assistance from the staff of enrollment office. Students can also choose to chat with American students as the alternative option for the morning.
* Afternoon：Summary and Graduating Ceremony with certificates signed by ISU president.

Day18: Visit the hometown of Abraham Lincoln and Lincoln Museum：Springfield

Day 19：Shopping at Outlet in Chicago

Day 20：Departure to Chicago Airport