



AMERICAN CULTURAL IMMERSION PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE AT CHATTANOOGA



SUMMER 2019

Language learning meets the digital age in the Gig City, home of one of the world's fastest wireless networks. **Build your English skills** while living in the technology hub of **Chattanooga** and exploring the mountains, rivers, and natural wonders of southeast **Tennessee**. Take advantage of the latest technology around you with resources like the UTC Studio, a workspace where you can produce videos, compose songs, or prototype your latest invention. Engage in **intercultural exchange** as you visit urban cultural centers like **Atlanta** while connecting with **American students** as well as students from all over the world.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Week 1							
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9-12 pm	Arrival at Chattanooga Airport	Orientation. Cross-cultural workshops	Cross-cultural workshops	Cross-cultural workshops	Cross-cultural workshops	Cross-cultural workshops	Atlanta trip departure: 8 am
12-1 pm	TBD Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	10–12 pm: Visit World of Coke
1:30-4 pm	Housing check-ins TBD Dinner	Rock City (natural park featuring unique rock formations and breathtaking views)	Downtown Chattanooga and Tennessee Aquarium	Hunter Museum of American Art City Tour	UTC Outdoors: Biking the Riverwalk (also known as Tennessee Riverpark)	Aquatic and Recreation Center	12–1 pm: Lunch on your own at CNN Center
5 pm		Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	2:30 pm: The Center for Civil and Human Rights
6-8 pm		Self-study and homework	Self-study and homework	Self-study and homework	Self-study and homework	Self-study and homework	4:45 pm: departure for Chattanooga 7 pm: Dinner
Week 2							
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9-12 pm	11am-12 pm: Farmer's Market	Cross-cultural workshops	Cross-cultural workshops	Cross-cultural workshops	Cross-cultural workshops	Cross-cultural workshops	Breakfast Time TBD
12-1 pm	12pm- 1 pm: Lunch on your own at the Food Truck Court	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Departure Time TBD
1:30-4 pm	1 pm-4 pm: Visit Ruby Falls	Kayaking or paddle boarding (or bowling in case of bad weather)	STEM Challenger Center simulation activity: "Mission to Mars" or Escape Games	Studying in the USA - Information Session at UTC Library	Hiking the Bluff Trail (Point Park to Sunset Rock)	Multimedia Workshop /	
5 pm		Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	
6-8 pm	5 pm: Dinner on your own	Self-study and homework	Self-study and homework	Self-study and homework	Self-study and homework	Self-study and homework	

*Course schedule is subject to change. Modifications can be requested by partnering institutions

PROGRAM COST



*Program costs do not include health insurance, airfare, and travel allowance.



Yixiang Chen

" The classroom is just the beginning."

Group Size and Age of Students

UTC does not provide chaperones or counselors. Supervision is required. Please provide the following chaperone coverage: 1 adult per 25 students aged 13 to 18 is required. These supervisors will act as the liaisons between the UTC staff in the event of discipline, noise or disruptive behavior. UTC will require students' legal guardians to sign a liability waiver. Children under the age of 13 are not permitted to stay in on-campus housing. Minimum group size: **12 students**.

UTC Housing

- Apartment Styles: 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms for 4 residents
- Wireless Internet - 1 GB wireless access point in every apartment
- Laundry Facilities: Washer and dryer are provided in each apartment
- Kitchen: Equipped with cooking range, oven, microwave, dishwasher, and refrigerator
- Air conditioning, ceiling fan in living room and bedrooms
- Full-size bed in each bedroom
- Living room furnished with couch, chair, end table, coffee table and TV stand

Health Insurance

All participants are required to provide proof of insurance. If unable to provide proof of insurance, health insurance may be provided at an additional cost.

Program dates

Program start and end dates:
July 14 – July 27, 2019



UTC is a comprehensive, community-engaged campus of the University of Tennessee System. UTC is an EEO/AA/Title VI & IX/Section 504/ADA/ADEA institution.



Why the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga?

#1 Rapidly Improve Your English

Students attend immersive English classes for 15-hours each week in the heart of UTC's beautiful campus, walking distance from the Tennessee Riverfront and steps away from downtown Chattanooga. Coursework includes language skills classes, American culture classes, and TOEFL preparation.

#2: Learn Outside of the Classroom

ESL students have access to all UTC facilities and can participate in all on-campus activities. They can explore the American South by participating in trips to urban cultural centers like Atlanta. They can discover scenic Tennessee in UTC Outdoors activities like hiking, kayaking, or paddle boarding. They can also visit local attractions such as the Tennessee Aquarium, Ruby Falls or Rock City.

#3: Enjoy State-of-the-Art Technology

Chattanooga's internet is among the fastest in the world. In 2010, it became the first city in the Western Hemisphere to offer internet speeds of 10 gigabits per second. It has since attracted investors from around the world and is now a tech hub for start-up companies. The Scenic City has become the Gig City! This means that students will get excellent, free Wi-Fi all over campus.

#4: Make Connections

Program participants attend field trips and special events that foster cultural exchange and language development. They connect to other international students through problem solving, performance, and recreation.

Highly-Qualified Instructors

Our faculty possesses diverse experience and respected credentials. Our instructors hold degrees from accredited undergraduate and graduate programs. They have taught English to learners of all ages in Asia, Europe, and Latin America. Instructors utilize the communicative language teaching approach, helping students develop English-language competence through interpersonal interaction.



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