## New Tulane Global program to provide academic, co-curricular support to students facing COVID-19 travel issues

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Students in the Tulane Global program will be able to earn credits toward their degree, while taking in-person and online classes. In-person classes will be taught from syllabi approved by Tulane faculty, and will be held at the Council on International Educational Exchange center in Shanghai. (Photo provided by Center for Global Education)

The majority of students will return to Tulane's campus in the fall to resume classroom learning. However, some students, particularly international students, may experience challenges with arranging travel and obtaining visas during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, which could prevent them from coming back to campus.

<u>Tulane Global</u>, a new program developed by Newcomb-Tulane College's <u>Center for Global Education</u>, offers Tulane undergraduate students in China who are not able to travel to campus this fall, opportunities to live, learn and engage in ways similar to the on-campus Tulane experience. The program, for first-year and returning undergraduates, is offered in collaboration with the Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE), one of the world's largest study abroad providers.

Students will be able to earn credits toward their degree, while taking in-person and online classes offered in a wide range of disciplines. In-person classes, taught from syllabi approved by Tulane faculty, will be held at the CIEE center in Shanghai, which is housed on the East China Normal University campus. Tulane will work with CIEE to ensure social distancing protocols are adhered to in academic and residential spaces.

First-year students in the program can take a non-credit enrichment course that offers a glimpse into life at Tulane.

"This is a great opportunity for our students in China and a wonderful example of cross-campus collaboration from many people and departments. I'm so pleased we have the chance to offer our Chinese students a strong academic experience this fall," Newcomb-Tulane College Dean Lee Skinner said.

Students will also be able to engage in co-curricular and experiential learning opportunities throughout Shanghai, including meetings with China-based Tulane alumni and company visits in conjunction with their courses.

"Tulane Global offers Tulane undergraduate students from China the opportunity to participate in academic courses and co-curricular programs alongside other Tulane students. While we are sad that these students are unable to return to New Orleans this fall, we do hope that they find engagement with their peers in this unique setting a personally and academically fulfilling one, and we can't wait for their arrival to campus in the spring," said Casey Love, Interim Associate Dean of Global

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Students in the program are offered housing near East China Normal University, or they can obtain independent housing. On-campus facilities such as the cafeteria, library, computer labs, medical clinic and athletic spaces will be accessible to Tulane Global students.

The same services for academic and immigration support available to New Orleans-based students, such as the <u>Office of International Students and Scholars</u>, Newcomb-Tulane College's <u>Student Success</u>, <u>Career Services</u> and <u>Academic and Major Advising</u>, will also be available to Shanghai-based students.

The Tulane Global program dates will run concurrently with the Tulane on-campus fall semester. Tulane tuition, financial aid, scholarships and academic support fees will be applied to students' participation in the program. For more information, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.