Explore different development experiences in China – discovering the hidden China – beginning with an orientation in Shanghai, and then travel by train to nearby Anhui province. We will visit social enterprises in Shanghai, agribusiness started by Mao’s “sent-down youth” in Anhui, village-government tourism models in the ancient town of Hongcun (UNESCO World Heritage Site), and the artists’ commune in Bishan with its international film and music festivals, handicraft schools teaching urban students traditional skills, and farmers using WeChat to sell organic vegetables. Through this practicum you will explore how China is developing in often unknown ways, as well as enjoying the beautiful mountains, ancient villages, and bamboo forests of Anhui province.

To apply: email a copy of your unofficial transcript and a short (less than 2 page) personal statement explaining the reason you would like to participate and how your previous experience/coursework has prepared you for this opportunity to Professor Wei Liang at wliang@miis.edu by DATE.

Cost: the program fee for students is $1200. This includes lodging, 2 meals per day on weekdays, and local transportation. The program fee is subsidized by over $2,000 per participant by a generous private donor. Students are responsible for visas (if necessary), airfare, airport transfers, most dinners, and weekend food and transportation costs.

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