



Faculty Director, Wisconsin China Initiative

The Wisconsin China Initiative was launched in 2007 to both serve as the contact point for information about UW-Madison connections with the China region and to bring together cross-disciplinary faculty, alumni and leaders in business and government. The Initiative is housed in the Division of International Studies. The goals of the China Initiative are to:

- Build an effective platform for UW engagement with the China region
- Serve the Wisconsin Idea by disseminating knowledge beyond the classroom
- Partner strategically with universities, government and business groups
- Deepen and expand UW-Madison education and research about China

The faculty director of the Wisconsin China Initiative (WCI) provides oversight of the programmatic and academic activities related to the WI China Initiative. The director reports to the dean of the Division of International Studies or his designee. The directorship is a faculty administrative position, with compensation to be determined by the dean. The anticipated start date is August 24, 2015, with an initial appointment for three years (subject to annual review).

Degree and area of specialization:

PhD required. Candidates for the faculty directorship of the Wisconsin China Initiative must be tenured faculty members at UW-Madison with a keen interest and demonstrated leadership experience in research, education, and engagement related to China. Ability to bring together cross-disciplinary faculty, alumni and leaders in business and government is critical.

Application & deadline: Please submit a letter of interest & CV to Kristine Schutte by Wednesday, April 29, 2015. Contact information: kschutte@bascom.wisc.edu

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Chair the WCI faculty leadership committee
 - With the associate director, determine meeting agendas with input from committee
 - Lead meetings on a regular basis
 - Consult with and update dean or designee on meeting agendas and outcomes
- Maintain a positive and productive working relationship with the WCI external advisory board

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- Work with chair of the board to determine annual meeting agenda
- Communicate with board members on a regular basis
- Cultivate relationships with key individuals
- Assess and implement recommendations from faculty leadership committee and external advisory board
 - Broaden and deepen UW China engagement
 - Promote Chinese studies at UW-Madison
 - Develop and sustain peer relationships in China
- Collaborate with stakeholders to design and implement WCI “signature events”
 - Lectures, conferences, festivals, or exhibits
- Work in close coordination with the Director of International Alumni Relations to cultivate relationships with alumni in the China region
- Collaborate and align priorities and activities with the Center for East Asian Studies
- Support the Division of International Studies’ fund raising efforts related to China engagement