

**Ministry of Education of P.R. China**

**Graduate Education Innovation Project**

**2014 Summer School**

**Field Studies of Development in Ethnic Borderlands\**

**Organizer:** Yunnan University

**Sponsors:** Graduate School of Yunnan University

National Research Center at Yunnan University for Studies of  
Borderland Ethnic Minorities In Southwest China

**Theme:** Field Studies of Development in Ethnic Borderlands

**Aims:** Development is one of the words which we are familiar. It is a word not only with rich meanings and different understanding concepts, but also a practice which is closely related to every country, every nation, every group or even every person in contemporary world. However, what is development? What development does human need? How can we achieve sustainable development? Despite the importance of culture in sustainable development has been widely recognized , but how to combine culture and development , and how to comply with the various ethnic and cultural groups to promote the development of the individual in order to effectively eradicate poverty and other misfortunes and promote the well-being of humanity , still is yet to be resolved , or at least not yet completely solved.

The organization of this year's summer school is exploring the theme of development, focusing on related to culture and development, and taking the ethnic minorities in borderlands as the objects of the field study.

This program will take the lessons learned in Europe and elsewhere as a reference for the development for graduate students and young scholars to learn, share and reflect on theories of development and opportunities for field research. It will strive for sowing the seeds of talent and ideas for the full benefit of the minorities living in the borderlands of their sustainable development.

**Period of Study: July 12-30, 2014**

**Course Venue:**

**Lecture sessions** at the Auditorium of Wenjing Building of Yunnan University, No.2 North Greenlake Road, Kunming, China.

**Field practice** at about 10 ethnic minority villages in Yunnan, which are research sites operated by the National Research Center at Yunnan University for Studies of Borderland Ethnic Minorities In Southwest China

**Admissions**

**Eligibility**

young teachers who are working in colleges or universities.

**Numbers of Admission:**

60 officially registered students (including 50 teachers)

20 self supported students

**Course content:**

The course combines in-class sessions and field practice. The duration of in-class sessions is 5 days. The lecturers are from domestic and abroad, covering a range of multidisciplinary backgrounds including anthropology, ethnology, sociology, political science and economics. The contents of in-class sessions are : Analyzing the concept of study of the works of development theory, comments on development model and development path, questions detailed cases of development, problems like poverty, disasters, etc. which development is facing and basic theories and methods of fieldwork.

The field practice requires residence in one of the 10 ethnic minority villages for a continuation of 10 days. Students will do the fieldwork on development issues under the guidance of 1-2 teachers in each group and complete the investigation report.

**Schedule:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Events</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>July 12,2014</b> <b>(09:00-18:00)</b>	Arrival and registration	The Corridor of Wenjing Building A, Yunnan University
<b>July13-17,2014</b>	In-class sessions (Lectures)	Auditorium A of Wenjing Building A, Yunnan University
<b>July 18-29,2014</b>	Field work	the 10 ethnic minority villages of Yunnan Province
<b>July 30,2014</b> <b>(09:00-11:30)</b>	Summary debriefing and graduation ceremony	Auditorium A of Wenjing Building A, Yunnan University
<b>Before</b> <b>Oct.15,2014</b>	Submit the investigation report	To the guide teacher of each group

### **Application:**

Applicants, who meet the qualification may apply directly to website of Summer School [www.summer.ynu.edu.cn](http://www.summer.ynu.edu.cn) to download the application form

### **Materials to be submitted**

- Application Form, filled in Chinese or English
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- Documents of school credits and Academic performance
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YNU before June 20th 2014.

### **Approval and Notification**

All the application materials will be carefully reviewed and the final decision whether to admit the applicants or not will be made by the Summer School of YNU. The application will be seen as invalid and will not be processed if the applicants are not qualified or the application materials are inconsistent with the recruitment regulations or are incomplete. Admission list will be posted on [www.summer.ynu.edu.cn](http://www.summer.ynu.edu.cn) or [www.xbzx.ynu.edu.cn](http://www.xbzx.ynu.edu.cn) before June 25,2014

All the students will pay their own transportation fees to Kunming.

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