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Happenings at the GCC Princeton Conference



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On February 11th, 18 members from Cornell's GCC set out for the much anticipated Princeton Conference. Saturday morning came around and after several mishaps involving several missed subway trains, a wrong turn on Broadway, and a person left behind on the NJ Transit (note: don't go to the bathroom if you need to get off on the next stop), Cornell's GCC delegation finally arrived at Princeton (almost) intact.

After arriving and registering, we quickly dispersed to mingle with the many students who had arrived from schools across the country. A delegation even flew in from Qinghua University in China! A busy day had been prepared for us, and we were given the option to go to various seminars regarding the state of business in China today ranging from financial services to clean energy. The impressive ensemble of keynote speakers at the conference included Mr. Malcolm Forbes, Jr. of Forbes Media, Mr. Peter Lighte of JPMorgan, and Mr. Thomas Gorman of FORTUNE China among many others, and they did not disappoint. Little anecdotes of fond memories in China interspersed with advice on how to approach business in China, the speeches were both intriguing and informative. At the end of the day, a short cocktail reception allowed for us to network with other students as well as the guest speakers before heading back on the NJ Transit back to NYC. Overall, the conference was a success and I am certain that everyone learned a lot about the changing affairs in China in addition to making new friendships.

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Upcoming Events

- March 11 Karaoke Night @ Appel Multi-purpose Room
- March 12 Asia Night @ Duffield Hall
- March 16 Internship Workshop @ Rockefeller 115
- March 20 GCC Columbia Conference @ Columbia U
- April 30 Education Benefit Gala

From the Cornell Chapter Executive Board

We, the executive board of the Cornell Chapter of Global China Connection, are excited to welcome you back to another new semester on campus. This semester, you'll have the chance to be a part of the conferences being held at other chapters as well as networking, internship, and social events right here at Cornell. In addition, we're expanding the lecture series we hosted last semester to include dinners with the faculty here on campus to provide a more intimate setting for attendees to interact with professors. Finally, all of us on the board are working hard in concert with Phi Gamma Nu and the 2012 Class Council to host a gala benefitting the China Education Initiative. We are looking forward to meeting all of you at our upcoming social, networking and philanthropy events and wish you a fantastic month of March and spring break.

Why You Should Attend GCC Conferences

Here's what several of our members who attended last month's conference in Princeton had to say about their weekend there.

Attending the Global China Connection Princeton Conference was a really exciting experience! The most valuable thing I took back with me was the various connections I made during the day. Not only did I meet intelligent students from all around the world, I also built up relationships with successful men and women from a variety of professions. Who knew networking could be so fun?

- R. Sha, Cornell '14

The Princeton conference was indeed great experience, where I not only gained invaluable insights from the distinguished speakers, but also made many new friends from the various GCC chapters all over the world! The speakers were immensely interesting and made many perceptive points which left me with much food for thought after the conference. I very much look forward to participating in more future GCC events!

- J. Chua, Cornell '14

The event was by far the most professional, most intellectually stimulating, and of course, most fun, conference that I have ever attended. It was an absolute honor for me to represent Cornell as part of the GCC delegation. Not knowing much about GCC prior to attending this conference, I must say that I was amazed by how large and far reaching the GCC organization has become in a mere 2 years. I have the greatest respect for the leaders and the vision of this organization.

- T. Hu, Cornell '12

Cornell Delegation at Princeton

