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Study abroad in China during summer 2019

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If you are looking for a way to gain experience teaching English abroad, LING/WRIT4790 in Summer Term A in 2019 will be a wonderful opportunity. Dr. Jinrong Li will be offering LING/WRIT4790 Internship as a part of a study abroad program in China in summer term A. Participating students will take the course with Dr. Li online and at the same time be placed to teach elementary, middle, or high school students (depending on student interests) in Shenzhen, China.

The online component will help guide students’ field teaching, self-assessment, and reflection and therefore no prior applied linguistics or linguistics courses or teaching experiences are required.

Other components of the study abroad program include:

- One history course (choose from HIST1112s, HIST/INTS 5532/5532G, and HIST 2110)
- Cultural excursions (Shenzhen, Humen, Guangzhou, Shanghai, Hangzhou, Suzhou, Wuzhen, Xi’an, Hong Kong, Macau)
- Language and cultural exchange through community-based activities

For more information about the internship course and how to sign up, please contact Dr. Jinrong Li (jli@georgiasouthern.edu).

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Georgia Poetry Circuit welcomes Adrian Matejka on February 7

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In conjunction with The Georgia Poetry Circuit, The Department of Writing and Linguistics is pleased to announce that poet Adrian Matejka will be giving a public craft talk and reading of his poetry on Thursday, February 7. The schedule of events is:

- Craft talk/Q&A: 2-3 pm, Newton 1113
- Reading: 6:30-7:30 pm, IAB 1012

Both events are free and open to the public. Matejka’s books will be available for purchase before and after the 6:30 pm reading.

Adrian Matejka was born in Nuremberg, Germany and grew up in Indianapolis, Indiana. He is a graduate of Indiana University and the MFA program at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. He is the author of The Devil’s Garden (Alice James Books, 2003) which won the New York / New England Award and Mixology (Penguin, 2009), a winner of the 2008 National Poetry Series. Mixology was also a finalist for an NAACP Image Award for Outstanding Literature. His third collection, The Big Smoke (Penguin, 2013), focuses on Jack Johnson, the first African American heavyweight champion of the world. The Big Smoke was awarded the 2014 Anisfield-Wolf Book Award and was also a finalist for the 2013 National Book Award, 2014 Hurston/Wright Legacy Award, and 2014 Pulitzer Prize in poetry. His most recent book, Map to the Stars, was published by Penguin in 2017. Among Matejka’s other honors are the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana Authors Award, the Julia Peterkin Award, a Pushcart Prize, and fellowships from the Bellagio Center, the Guggenheim Foundation, the Lannan Foundation, and a Simon Fellowship from United States Artists. He teaches at Indiana University in Bloomington and is Poet Laureate of Indiana.

For more information about The Georgia Poetry Circuit at Georgia Southern University, please contact Christina Olson.

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