

THE CITY OF NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE MAYOR NEW YORK, NY 10007

July 5, 2016

Dear Friends:

I am delighted to welcome everyone to FUSIA Communications' Cross Cultural Internship Program Recognition Ceremony.

As a diverse hub of culture, commerce and higher-education, New York attracts students and aspiring young professionals from around the world. Since 2008, CCIP has arranged summer internships in New York City for more than 850 university students from Asia. Participants in this comprehensive program gain valuable work experience with local host organizations, assist with community service projects, and attend presentations to learn more about banking, advertising, government, international trade and other sectors. And, of course, they take advantage of some of the myriad attractions throughout the five boroughs, among them our dynamic performing arts scene, renowned museums, beautiful parks, major sporting events, iconic architecture, and delicious restaurants. As you gather at CitiField to enjoy a New York Mets game, I applaud CCIP's staff and supporters for their efforts to foster cross-cultural exchange, showcase our great city, and empower the next generation of global citizens. Together, we are forging a brighter future for all.

On behalf of the City of New York, please accept my best wishes for a wonderful evening, and I wish this summer's interns an unforgettable stay in our city.

Sincerely,

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Bill de Blasio Mayor