

## Montgomery Focus: Lecture on China High Speed Railway Launched on Troy Montgomery Campus

CIT Chinese Culture Club launched the 5<sup>th</sup> lecture in this semester under the topic of China High Speed Railway (HSR) on Troy Montgomery Campus on May 4, 2016.

CIT instructor Jin Qiu on Troy Montgomery campus detailed and profusely illustrated the development of China High Speed Railway with full and accurate data, abundant images and videos.

Ms. Qiu start the lecture with two examples and the travel time from Guangzhou to Wuhan—4 hours for a distance of 995 kilometers (622 miles), and Beijing to Guangzhou —9 hours and 45 minutes covering a distance of 2298 kilometers (1436 miles), really impressed audiences.

Audience were then introduced step to step to the general development of China HSR and its advantages, the total mileage and ridership, the current network and expansion plan, funding and future development strategy, etc.

Except for data and facts on the macro-construction of China's HSR, the experience of traveling with China's HSR from passengers' perspective were also vividly captured into videos and images and presented to the attendees. Mr. Cauley, one of the fans of CIT CCC event said after the lecture, "I like to feel the speed."

Differed from the former lectures guiding audience to the profundity of traditional Chinese culture, this lecture introduced local Americans to a modern China with world leading technologies in high speed railway construction as well as the modern Chinese life style influenced by science and technology development and social progress.

Ms. Qiu also introduced her home college in China, Wuhan Railway Vocational College of Technology, which is also a National High Speed Training Center.

China has already negotiated agreement to build HSR for other countries. With the national strategy—"Silk Road Economic Belt" and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Maritime Silk Road, China's HSR will take part in the construction of HSR in more countries in the future.

