The summer semester course AST2121 Environmental Studies Laboratory takes place in Wuyi University (五邑大學) which, located in Jiangmen City (江門市) of Guangdong (廣東) in mainland, is a comprehensive university occupying an open green campus of total site area of about 350,000 square metres.

In view of the rapid growth of economic development and concern for living environment in mainland China, the initiative of such special course venue and teaching arrangements is, on the one hand, to equip our students with necessary technical know-how in terms of laboratory skills, and on the other hand, to let the students experience the teaching and learning culture across the border, as well as to widen their perspectives on potential opportunities for their further studies and career development in environmental industry in mainland China.
The Associate of Science in Environmental Studies (AScES) Year-1 cohort was divided into two groups, each of which took the course of 10 sessions of hands-on practice in fully facilitated laboratories in consecutive 4 days during the period of 17 - 26 of May 2016.

By participating in the structured exercises such as laboratory safety, using laboratory appliances and equipment, handling chemical specimen, performing analytical experiments on the chemistry of water, air, and bacteriological samples, as well as compiling experiment reports, etc., the students learned the basic techniques and practiced the essential skills of carrying out chemistry and biological experiments pertaining to environmental studies and environmental monitoring.

This across the border study arrangement killed two birds by one stone: the participating students successfully completed the comprehensive environmental laboratory training course as well as gained a valuable experience of tertiary teaching and learning in mainland China.