



## **2011 EAS-PIER SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATORS**

# **Diverse Landscapes: Exploring the Environment of Silk Road Regions in China**

**Tuesday, July 5, 2011 – Sunday, July 10, 2011**

The geography of Silk Road networks showcases a complex interaction between mountains, grasslands, river valleys, oases and deserts. Such varied ecological zones are a critical determinant of where and how people live, move and interact. This intensive six-day Institute explores both the historical relationships of diverse Silk Road populations to the land, as well as the current environmental challenges China faces today. Topics include trade and travelers on the Silk Road; the role of nature in the arts and religions of the Silk Road; use of geographic mapping technologies in the classroom; and modern concerns about development, land use, pollution and natural resources. The Institute is designed to help K-16 educators enhance curricula and access unique teaching resources about China. The program also provides the opportunity to meet scholars from a wide range of disciplines who concentrate on China, the Silk Road and Environmental Studies.

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