# **ALUMNI STORIES**



### REFLECTIONS FROM TEACHING IN CHINA

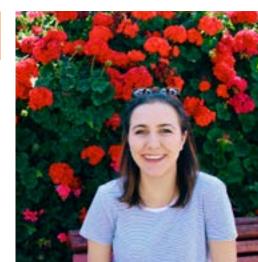
I first traveled to China with CIEE to study Chinese and perform modern dance at a company in Beijing. I returned to China to teach English in Shanghai. Though I have had much experience teaching dance, stepping into the role of an English teacher was a completely new task. The incredible learning curve that I experienced during the first few months of teaching was something I haven't had since I was young, so this was a really exciting period for me. As a foreigner in china, you receive so much appreciation and love from your students. The realization and understanding of the massive impact that you can have on students is quite magical.

- Rachel E., Teach in China Alumna

### A YEAR IN SPAIN TURNED INTO A CAREER

I originally decided to teach abroad as a gap year before grad school. I had studied and worked in Spain a few times before this year and knew I couldn't stay away when I found out about the opportunity to teach here. My major in college was Spanish and I hoped to work in a study abroad office in the near future. I decided this year would not only allow me to practice my Spanish, but also give me a more complete perspective of living abroad to help me in the future when I (hopefully) will be advising students looking to live abroad.

- Alex M., Teach in Spain Alumna





### LESSONS LEARNED FROM TEACHING IN THAILAND

Teaching abroad has influenced EVERYTHING in regards to my career and life path: I have new ideas of what it means to be successful; and I learned that the 9-to-5 desk job is not the only option. The joy I found through teaching my students made me realize that whatever my career path is, it needs to be one that enables me to help others... That is where I ultimately found my happiness, and that is the reason waking up Monday through Friday was always exciting.

- Caroline F., Teach in Thailand Alumna



# WHY TEACH ENGLISH ABROAD?

### TOP 5 REASONS WHY ALUMNI CHOSE TO TEACH ABROAD:

- 1) Immerse myself in another culture
- 2 Explore new places and experiences
- 3 Earn money while living abroad
- 4 Make a difference in the world
- 5 Build my résumé and professional skills

#### NOT ALL TEACH ABROAD PROGRAMS ARE CREATED EQUAL

CIEE Teach Abroad, a non-profit organization, has been sending university graduates abroad to teach English since 1997. We know the hurdles, apprehension, and challenges that our participants face and we offer personalized support to ensure your success.

#### SUPPORT EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

Before you embark, we'll help you:

- Secure a reputable job placement before you depart with competitive pay and job security
- Navigate the process of getting a work visa
- Prepare you with a comprehensive, predeparture online

When you arrive, we'll set you up for success with a multi day orientation that includes:

- Advice and cultural tips from current teachers
- Cultural and sightseeing outings
- Networking opportunities
- Temporary accommodations

Peace of mind throughout your teaching experience with:

- iNext international insurance with 24/7 global support
- 24-hour support from CIEE staff

#### NO EXPERIENCE? NO PROBLEM!

Basic eligibility requirements include:

- A bachelor's degree in any major
- U.S., Canadian, Australian, New Zealand, Irish, or British citizenship and passport
- Native English language fluency

#### PROGRAM FEE

To offer a high level of support, CIEE Teach Abroad does charge a program fee. This fee covers the costs for our expert staff, predeparture materials and assistance, orientations and support upon arrival, iNext travel insurance and more. Program fees vary by program - visit ciee.org/teach for full

#### TEFL CERTIFICATION

Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) certification prepares you to be a successful teacher abroad - from grammar know-how to intercultural training to lesson planning. Not all programs require TEFL but we highly encourage everyone to get TEFL-certified so they can teach with confidence. Programs that do require TEFL have our internationally recognized and accredited 150-hour online course built into the program fee.



# CHILE



10 months

COMPENSATION PER MONTH \$800-900

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\$550-850

\$900-2,300, + housing | Aug, Sep, Feb, or Mar

START DATE Feb or Mar

Teach at a community college, or give private instruction to students and businesspeople. Most placements are in the cosmopolitan city of Santiago, with a few positions along

# **CHINA**



Explore one of the world's most important countries by teaching at a kindergarten, private school, or university in Shanghai or Chongqing. You can live in a bustling big city, or a quiet college town.

# CZECH REPUBLIC



START DATE

August

Serve as a lead teacher or an assistant at a primary or secondary school. Placements are in small towns and suburbs within an hour of Prague, so one of Europe's most beautiful cities will be at your doorstep!

### MOROCCO



DURATION

10 months

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3 months

COMPENSATION PER MONTH \$550-750

START DATE September

Teach English to teenagers and young kids in small and medium cities in central and coastal Morocco. Part of your role is to offer fun extracurriculars to engage with the local community.

# **PORTUGAL**



COMPENSATION PER MONTH Room and board

START DATE Jan, Mar, or Oct

Volunteer as a part-time language assistant at an elementary school in a small town. You will live and share meals with a welcoming local family, immersing you in the culture and language.

# **SOUTH KOREA**



DURATION 12 months

DURATION

3-10 months

DURATION

5 or 10 months

COMPENSATION PER MONTH \$1,850-2,200

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START DATE Aug or Feb

Earn a lucrative salary at either a public school or private academy. Placements are available in urban and suburban areas. Housing and one-way flights included.

# **SPAIN**



START DATE Aug, Sept, or Jan Contribute to bilingual education as a Language and Culture Assistant at a public school in Madrid or Andalucia. Your part-time schedule will give you plenty of time to explore and travel. If your Spanish is rusty, you can add an intensive Spanish class to your program!

# **THAILAND**



COMPENSATION PER MONTH START DATE \$800 plus housing May, June, or Oct

in the beauty of the country and the friendliness of its people. Included housing and options for start date and duration make this a popular choice!

Teach English to students of all ages and bask

### VIETNAM



Immerse yourself in the bustle of Hanoi while working as a lead English teacher at a prominent language school. Your students will be between the ages of 4 and 15.

DURATION

12 months

COMPENSATION PER MONTH \$1,150-1,500

Apr, Jun, Sept, or Oct