



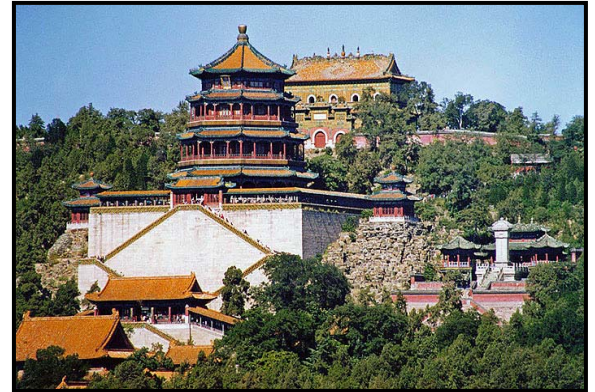
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TESOL Certificate Course BEIJING, CHINA

Course Information

How much does the program cost?

\$1,490 USD – includes basic course materials and certification



What are my accommodation options?

All Accommodations will be available at 3pm on the Saturday before the start of the course. Students must move out before 1pm on the Saturday after the course. If you are planning on arriving early we recommend staying at the *Peking Uni International Hostel.

1. \$200 - Shared room in an apartment

Standard Chinese apartment with 2 or 3 bedrooms, standard kitchen and bathroom.

2. \$400 - Homestay (includes meals)

Live with a Chinese family and learn the local culture and language.

3. (100 – 300 RMB per night) Hostel

Stay in a hostel located in the center of the city near Tiananmen Square, about a 15 minute subway ride from the school. Several options accommodating individual travelers or companions traveling together are also available. Reservations can be made for you by the course center if needed.

Single room= 100 RMB per night

Double room= 140 RMB per night

4 beds to one room= 200 RMB per night

6 beds to one room= 300 RMB per night

What is the typical daily schedule?

Class time is generally 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, with mid morning and afternoon breaks and a lunch break. In the morning the students will learn methodology and teaching techniques. In the afternoon there will be teaching practice sessions.

How many students on average are in the program each month?

The maximum class size in the Beijing course is 32, which is split up into two groups.

Is internet available at the school? Should I bring my laptop?

Yes, the school has wireless available as well as 4 computers with internet access for lesson planning and doing assignments. Beijing has many internet cafes and there is a Starbucks with a wireless connection only five minutes walk from the school.

Is there a dress code?

Yes, there are dress requirements for teaching practice sessions. Women are required to wear either dresses or skirts, or tailored slacks that look like work uniforms or suits. Gentlemen are required to wear slacks and collared shirts. Dress shoes are required for both women and men. Jeans, T-shirts and tennis shoes are not acceptable.

Practical Information for Living in Beijing:

What is the climate like in Beijing?

The climate is similar to New York City. Autumn and spring are the most pleasant seasons. Winter temperatures are in the 20's (F) and 30's while summer highs are in the 80's. Clothes are very inexpensive in China, so you may want to travel fairly light. Many visitors to China like to take advantage of the numerous markets and stores in Beijing.

What is the public transportation system like?

Beijing is a typical international city. Buses and subways are the main means of transportation. Subways are 40-60 cents depending on where you want to go, and there are numerous bus routes all over the city.

What is the cost of living in Beijing?

The cost of living in Beijing ranges. For entertainment, food, transportation and daily activities it is very low. Housing in Beijing as in all major cities varies based on how close you live to the city center. The average person in Beijing makes around RMB2000 (US\$250) while English teachers make around RMB12000 (US\$1500). On average a good lifestyle will cost about 4,000RMB to 5,000RMB per month depending on what your interests are. For currency conversions, visit www.xe.com.

Arrival Information:

Where is the school located?

TEFL International-Beijing
Left Bank Community
Beishihuan Rd.
Haidian District
Beijing, China

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What kind of visa should I get for the course?

You need to apply for a **Business Type F Visa**. This process takes about 2 weeks. Once your place has been confirmed, we will give you all the information you need to process the visa application.

*As this information is subject to change at any time, we advise everyone to contact your local consulate for current travel regulations prior to planning your trip.

For more information on obtaining visas please visit one of the following PRC Embassy websites:

Washington D.C: <http://www.china-embassy.org/eng/6752.html>

New York: <http://www.nyconsulate.prchina.org/eng/c3001.html>

What documents do I need to bring to work in China?

If you plan on staying in China to find a job, please bring your original diploma and transcripts from College, Technical School or High School, as well as a copy of your birth certificate. Although a university degree is not an absolute must for a native English speaker to work in some organizations in China, any kind of documentation regarding your educational background or work experience will be useful, especially if you want to work for a decent institute.

What else should I consider prior to departure?

Hepatitis A/B vaccination is strongly recommended. Please visit www.cdc.gov for the most up-to-date recommendations.

