



Teaching Assistance

Das Teaching Assistance ist ein spezielles Programm, welches von Thailand und China angeboten wird. Die Platzierung in einer Schule wird garantiert. Als Teaching Assistant helfen Sie den LehrerInnen bei ihrer täglichen Arbeit, unterrichten (meist gemeinsam mit dem/r einheimischen LehrerIn) Ihre Muttersprache oder andere Fächer und bringen den Kindern so auch die eigene Kultur näher. Eine Ausbildung oder Erfahrung als Lehrer/in wird nicht vorausgesetzt.

"Ich bin in der Schule angekommen, ohne jemals zuvor unterrichtet zu haben. Der Lehrer hat mir vorgeschlagen, die französische Sprache mit eigenen Methoden zu unterrichten und mich gebeten, mir neue Wege, neue Themen, neue Ideen zu überlegen, wie man den Schülern Französisch beibringen kann. Ich werde die Zeit als Teaching Assistant in Wuhu in sehr guter Erinnerung behalten, und ich bin traurig dass ich am Ende dieses Monats nach Hause fliege. Aber ich bin sicher, dass ich an der Uni weiterhin Chinesisch lernen werde und ich hoffe, bald nach China zurückzukommen"

(Teilnehmerin aus Frankreich, im Teaching Assistance Program in China 2009)

In welchen Ländern ist Teaching Assistance möglich?

Das Teaching Assistance Programm als solches wird angeboten in:

- Thailand
- China

In vielen Ländern sind ähnliche Projekte möglich.

Projektbeispiele

THAILAND – Teacher Assistant Program

The duration of this program is 5-6 months. The participant will help the teacher in class for 5 months. He/She is expected to work 15 periods/weeks to assist the teacher in class and actively involve in the host school and AFS activities. High School and College graduates are accepted. Teaching experience is useful but not required.

The participants will prepare classes and assist teachers. They will give classes under supervision or as assigned, make examinations and tests as well as scoring. Furthermore, they will be able to help with and organize some outdoor activities for the students, e.g. English camps.

Participants are expected to interact and communicate with teachers and students. Most of the schools provide activities for the students. What they offer is different in each school. Examples: Thai boxing, Judo, Ping-Pong, Music lessons, Dancing, Tennis, Cooking, Handicrafts, Meditation.



CHINA – Teaching Assistant Program

The teacher assistant program enrolls undergraduate students to teach their native languages and work as assistants in the international departments in Chinese secondary schools for one academic year or one semester. Participants are placed with either host families or in the host schools with host family placement on weekends. Chinese language and culture classes are also provided by the host schools to help participants enrich themselves with Chinese language, customs and traditions.

The teaching abroad experience offers many opportunities, from learning a new language to gaining a real understanding of intercultural communication. While teaching their native languages and sharing their home cultures in a foreign educational environment, Teaching Assistants (TAs) may be surprised at how quickly they make lasting friendships with their Chinese students who have been grown up in a completely different cultural background from their own.

The teaching job can also be rewarding in the sense that TAs will get first-hand knowledge with respect to the education system, teaching methods and classroom management in China.

TAs are expected to teach their native language as one of the following:

- English
- French
- Japanese
- Spanish
- German

Teaching Assistants are expected to work as assistants in the international departments in secondary schools. TAs work approximately 15 hours per week.

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