

Schedule

Volunteers spend 2 weeks at Sichuan, followed by 1 week free time for travelling, then another 2 weeks at Qinghai (subject to change):

July 01	Volunteers arrive in Chengdu
July 02	Register at schools in Wenchuan, Beichuan and Shifang
July 03 – 16	Two-week course in Sichuan
July 17	Back to Chengdu and have 5-day individual time to travel
July 21	Re-gather in Chengdu
July 22	Fly to Xining, then Yushu
July 23 – Aug 02	Two-week course in Yushu
August 03	One-day individual time in Yushu to travel
August 04	Travel back to Xining by coach, maximum altitude 4828 m
August 04	Dismiss in Xining

Cost & Subsidy

Personal Cost (Estimated)

Flight From UK to Chengdu (about £500 depending on time of purchase)
From Chengdu to Yushu (£120 - £180, transfer via Xining)

Coach From Yushu to Xining (16 hours trip, about £40 per person)

Visa £65

Society Subsidy: around £150 per person

This includes cost for: 1. one night hotel in Chengdu 2. transportation to and from Chengdu and schools in Sichuan 3. transportation from Yushu airport to local schools 4. food and accommodation in schools. 5. Some extra financial support are available for bilingual managers (need to take some organisation responsibilities)

For your safety & health, volunteers:

- MUST purchase your own travel insurance
- Immunisation against Rabies and Hepatitis B is recommended

Applying

We are looking for up to 10 volunteers – 2 bilingual managers (fluent in English and Mandarin), 8 English and subject course teachers, who are:

- enthusiastic, motivated, responsible and easy to get along with
- willing to work with primary/middle school students
- previous teaching experience is expected but not essential
- high altitude experience is preferred

INTERESTED?

Submit your application and CV to 2013summer@cam-ceeds.org

We will hold a information session on Tuesday March 05, 7.30pm at Walters Room, Selwyn College and interested applicants are welcome to join the discussion with our previous participants



CAM-CEEDS Summer Volunteer Programme

'Seek the dream, Ignite the hope'

This summer,
why not go to **China**?



Sichuan and Qinghai Post-Earthquake Regions

July 01 – August 04, 2013

Organiser: Cambridge Eastern Education and Development Society

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CEEDS Summer Volunteer Programme teaches English and other subjects to school children in the earthquake regions in Sichuan and Qinghai Yushu, China. 6 primary/secondary schools participate in the programme—Wenchuan No.1 Middle School, Beichuan Leigu Middle School, Shifang Yinghua Middle School (SICHUAN) and Yushu No. 3 Wanquan School, Jiegu Town Grade 1-9 Primary/Middle School, Yushu Orphanage School (QINGHAI). We are currently looking for volunteers who can join us to 'seek the dream, ignite the hope'.

Why join us ?

This is a unique opportunity to interact with students of a foreign culture, and to gain a different perspective into life in China. Teaching itself is rewarding, giving you the chance to make a real difference to the future of a group of children.

Though the central government has allocated funds for after-quake rebuilding, what the local children still need are personalised care and interactions. It will be a challenge to yourself to help these ill-fated children to walk out of the trauma.

Despite suffering from the natural disasters, children in the two provinces retain their natural characters of enthusiasm, hospitality and a passion for life. It is moving to see their strong will and optimism towards what life presents.

As you interact with these children, we hope that their optimism would make a difference to your life as well!

Also, working tightly with your fellow teachers, you will make some enduring friendships.

There is in addition the opportunity to travel in between the two camps and afterwards.

Both Sichuan and Qinghai are gorgeous places for travelling with amazing scenery. Immerse yourself in a new culture, climate, and enjoy the cuisine!

A bit about - Yushu, Qinghai & Sichuan

Yushu, Qinghai

- ❖ Yushu is a county inside Qinghai Province. It lies in the northeastern part of the Tibetan Plateau, and is largely inhabited by Tibetans. Since Yushu is located 4000 meters above sea level, some discomfort is expected in the first few days
- ❖ A 6.9-magnitude earthquake struck Yushu County on 14 April, 2010.
- ❖ The schools that participate were heavily affected with school buildings all ruined by the earthquake, and the children are currently living and studying in temporary bungalows

Sichuan

- ❖ Situated in the less well developed South-Western part of China
- ❖ Located in the Sichuan basin and surrounded by the Himalayas to the far west, with many beautiful mountains and valleys. Famous places of interest include Jiuzhaigou Valley, Wolong Panda Natural Reserve, Mount Emei etc.
- ❖ On 12 May 2008 a deadly 7.9-magnitude earthquake struck Sichuan
- ❖ The three schools we are holding our camp in were heavily affected in that earthquake, many teachers and students died and schools were rebuilt afterwards



A GOOD LESSON CAN TRANSFORM LIFE

“By communicating with these school children, we hope to encourage them to overcome the difficulties and study hard. We truly believe that some years later, some of these children could come to Cambridge.”



BACK TO CHILDHOOD

“Among these kids, I felt I was 20 years younger. This was certainly one of the most unforgettable moments in my life.”

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