

Reis **AFRIKAANS**

Teach in Dynamic and Diverse China.

As one of the world's most forward thinking yet culturally rich countries, it comes as no surprise that this dynamic and diverse destination has become a top choice for South African ESL teachers looking to broaden their horizons. From the food to the culture and the markets to the people, here's a look at why teaching in China may be the best option for you.

Benefits and expectations:

- Earn a **competitive salary** of between 10 000 and 16 000 Chinese Yuan.
- Accommodation or an accommodation allowance is included, **creating ample opportunity for saving and adventure.**
- Flight reimbursement.
- Enjoy benefits such as free insurance and subsidized health care.
- Work with an experienced team, offering **full training and support** as well as ample opportunity for career advancement.
- **Paid holidays** – 11 national and 10 private.
- Enjoy and experience a new culture and way of living.

What can I expect from a typical work week?

- We love this program because it offers choice and flexibility. Choose between a 23- (four day) or 28-hour (five day) work week. **The 23-hour work week** includes 3 days off each week, allowing for ample time to explore your city, study mandarin or travel through China. The **28-hour work week** allows for increased teaching time and greater opportunity to earn. Generally, you can expect to work with students aged between 3 and 18 years, focusing on speaking and listening skills especially. Full support, teaching curriculum and training is provided by the school. In China, learning centers are often open on Saturdays and Sundays. Your weekend may therefore fall during the week.

Is China the right option for me?

- The ideal candidate is adaptable and eager to experience new cultures. As a community-based culture, the rules and regulations that guide everyday life in China are often different than those we are used to in South Africa. This, however, is no reason to panic. An open-minded and teachable approach is all that is needed.

Minimum requirements to teach in China:

- A bachelor's degree in any discipline.
- A valid passport.
- A 120-hour (or longer) TEFL qualification. (Don't have one? We can help!)
- Being a native speaker of the English language.
- A clean criminal record and police clearance certificate.
- Willingness and ability to commit to a 12-month contract.

- Good health, as proven by medical checks before departure in South Africa as well as upon arrival in China.
- No previous teaching experience is necessary.

Expected costs for and before your arrival in China:

- Roughly R94 police clearance costs, R500 to DHL visa documents to China and Z-visa issuing costs (subject to the embassy).
- Between R7 500 and R8000 for a one-way flight ticket to China, which will be reimbursed. An amount equal to 50% of one month's salary will be paid out with your 6th and 12th salary cheque, thereby creating a full 13th salary cheque (100%). The idea is that the 6^{-month} payout will cover the arrival flight and the final payment your departure.
- Between R7 500 and R 8000 for first month living expenses.
- Other costs such as identification card issuance and medical check costs, are typically deducted from your first month's salary.

Sounds good? Here is what we need to get you started!

1. **CV.** Kindly send us an updated and professional CV. If you do not yet have a CV, we will be happy to send along our Teach China CV template for you to fill out. **Reis Afrikaans** will screen your CV before sharing it with our partners in China.
2. **Photo's.** A professional looking full length as well as headshot photo is of incredible importance, as this creates a first impression with potential employers. Wear professional clothing and ensure a neutral background. The headshot will also be used on the first page of the CV-document. **Refer to the document attached for more guidance in taking these photos.**
3. **Cover letter.** Please make use of the document attached for more guidance on this.
4. **Video link.** Schools in China often require an introduction video. This allows them to get a better feel of who you are as a person, as well to hear you speak English. Though this may sound intimidating, it is really quite simple. Tell the school more about yourself, your teaching philosophy and reasons for wanting to go teach in beautiful China. **Refer to the document attached** for guidance and examples in creating an alluring video presentation. **If you are still working on your video, but have the CV, photos and cover letter ready to go, please send those documents along in advance.** Schools typically look at the CV and cover letter, before asking for a video.

If a school deems you an attractive candidate, a Skype interview will be organized. But, for now let's focus on these first steps.

Should you have any further questions, we are eager to answer them. Let's get you going!