



Teach English near:
Chiang Mai

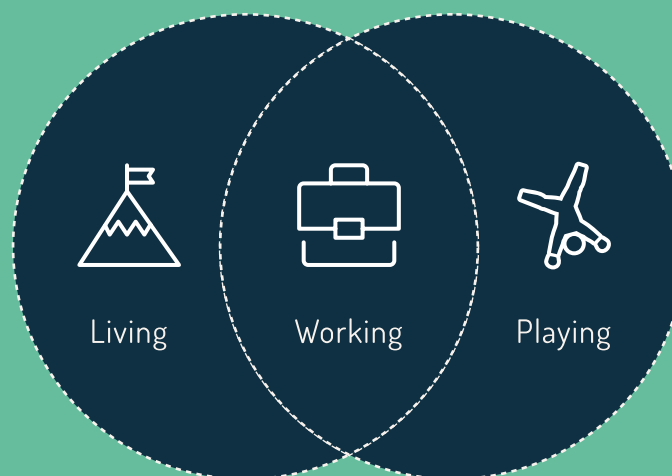
Welcome to Northern Thailand

Thailand is a majestic, calming, and mysterious country, but what lays beyond the bikini-clad tourist-dotted coastlines and the hookah-smoking-fish-foot-massaging backpackers of Khao San road? A lot, it turns out, especially in Chiang Mai—Thailand's hill studded jewel. A choice selection for teaching abroad, Chiang Mai's welcoming atmosphere and chilled out vibe will be just the right escape from the classroom.

Chiang Mai offers international teachers the awe inspiring temples chockful of gold-plated spires, miles of green rice paddies, and a laid back lifestyle even by Southeast Asian standards.

You'll be rocking colorfully-patterned MC hammer pants and Chang shirts in no time. Put a smile on and head to northern Thailand—you won't regret it!

The best way to get to know these incredible locals?



there as an ESL teacher with Premier TEFL: the Chiang Mai teach abroad experts.



Placements & Locations

You might also want to pack a belly that can stomach spice and curries, as well as a healthy dose of patience—both chili peppers AND hyped-up children can be merciless! Northern Thailand gives you premium access to neighboring countries, like Laos and Myanmar (Burma), without sacrificing any of the coconutty-goodness in Thailand itself.



locations:

Chiang Mai is 700km north of Bangkok, but feels worlds away. Semester teaching locations include Chiang Mai (city and province), Khampaeng Phet, Utthai Thani, Phayao, Phitsanulok, Fang, Mae Hong Son and Nan.



school placements:

Teaching placements—and your subsequent students' ages—can vary from kindergarten (anubahn), primary school (pratom), secondary school (matayom), and colleges. We do our best to incorporate your preferences!



the internship:

Plan to work from 7:30am–4pm Monday through Friday; half of your work week will be in the classroom, otherwise you will be prepping lessons or supporting other projects and school activities as needed.



perks

It's time to make like an Asian elephant and stomp towards greatness with your TEFL internship in Thailand, starting with a 30 night stay at a central Chiang Mai city hotel.

Orientation & Training

No one wants to land in a foreign country and feel all alone, right? Right! That's why we've put our heads together to create the most comprehensive and helpful orientation for you—right from the get-go. We'll cover best practices in the TEFL classroom, give you the lowdown on Thai culture—including how not to offend your new coworkers, students, and friends!—as well as show you the best street carts for pad thai (#priorities).

Build community, get to know your new digs, and then take a break to travel before jumping into your ESL gig.

Your Chiang Mai Accommodation

You will spend your first four weeks in bed & breakfast hotel accommodation with your own room, while completing your TEFL training. Your school representative will then arrange for you to visit suitable apartments according to your budget preference.

TIP: Condo-style housing can start from as little as 3,500 THB US\$100/€95/£85 monthly.



Verified Premier TEFL Testimonials



Teaching in Thailand has taught me to be more confident in front of crowds. I've always had an irrational fear of looking stupid, now I embrace it! Never felt better about it and I'm normally quite an introverted person. Within days I made friends that I could call brothers, so don't stress about soloing it. You'll be fine!

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Chiang Mai Intern



Who Can Apply?

Teaching in Chiang Mai isn't for chumps, so make sure you check off the following boxes before you sign up.

You must be/have...



Aged between
21 to 50



Native English
speaker



Bachelor's or
Associate's degree



TEFL qualified
(included)



Passport holder
from USA, Canada,
UK, Ireland, South
Africa, Australia or
New Zealand



Have dedication,
cultural flexibility,
organization,
respect, creativity,
enthusiasm and
professionalism

What's Up For Grabs?



Great Salary
Monthly stipend of 30,000 – 34,000 THB*



4 Week TEFL Training
Including 6 observed teaching practices



Airport Pick-up
& transfers to orientation



Bonus Course
30 Hour Teaching Young Learners Course



Semester Placement
5 month long teaching placement



Great Schools
Kindergarten, primary & secondary schools



In Country Support
Ongoing support wherever you are



Hotel Accommodation
30 nights B&B



Accommodation
Housing assistance



Time to Explore
Weekends off



Extra Holidays
All public holidays off



TEFL Job Assistance
After your placement



Visa Support
Assistance getting a visa



Support
Welcome orientation

Monthly Salary In Your Currency:

* (US\$995-US\$1,125/€890-€1,000/£760-£860)



8 Chiang Mai Facts

- 1 Worried about language barriers? Over 20,000 expats live in Chiang Mai—needless to say, you'll never be too far from another English speaker.
- 2 If you thought moats and castles only existed in Europe, you're in for a treat. Chiang Mai's city center and "Old City" is surrounded by a walled moat!
- 3 Have you heard of the Asian black bear, the clouded leopard, or the agile gibbon? Get ready—these animals will be your new neighbors!
- 4 The infamous Karen long neck tribe are hill people that live in the rural communities surrounding Chiang Mai.
- 5 Chiang Mai is a 13th-century ancient city of the Lanna Kingdom with over 700 years of history for you to explore.
- 6 There are over 50 elephant sanctuaries in Northern Thailand which care for and are home to the Asian elephant.
- 7 Songkran (Thai New Year) and Loy Krathong (& Yee Peng) are two festivals to add to your bucket list for Thailand.
- 8 Doi Inthanon, Thailand's highest peak is located in Chiang Mai province and is actually part of the Himalayas. Thailand.



FAQ

I've already completed a TEFL course, can I get a discount?

Since this internship includes a 4-week full time TEFL course in Chiang Mai there's no extra discount for being TEFL certified. You'll certainly find yourself a step ahead during training though!

How long before my start date should I arrive?

You should book flights to arrive into Chiang Mai International Airport (CNX) on your specific internship arrival day, for airport pick-up & hotel transfer.

How do I get from orientation to my placement?

At the end of your orientation, you'll travel by public transport to your placement location where a representative from your school will meet you on arrival. They'll give you a short location tour and to escort you to see accommodation options.

Will I be placed with other interns?

There will be native English teachers placed in towns nearby one another as well in the same schools. The number of interns placed per school depends on their size and need.

You'll get to know each other during training so it will be easy to plan meet-ups with fellow teachers

- you'll be joining a great community of English teachers!

How much will I get paid?

Your 30,000 – 34,000 THB (US\$995–US\$1,125/€890–€1,000/£760–£860) monthly allowance will be paid electronically to your Thai bank account. Experienced teachers can expect to earn the upper pay scale. You should budget to have enough spending money to cover your first eight weeks in Thailand until you receive your monthly allowance.

TIP: Our previous interns say your first month can often be when you spend more - excursions, socialising and getting settled in. We recommend you try to budget a little extra per month for trips and then an emergency fund / credit card for unexpected events.

Who will I be teaching?

You'll be working in kindergarten (anubahn), primary school (pratom), secondary school (matayom) or Thai colleges.

Can I be placed with a friend?

Yes, you can request to be placed with a friend or as a couple. You'll have a spot on your application form to mention who you're traveling with.

Note: placement together is dependent on availability and can't be guaranteed.

Where will I be located?

There are both urban and more rural placements available in Northern Thailand locations including Chiang Mai (city & province), Khampaeng Phet, Ulthai Thani, Phayao and Phitsanulok.

Note: due to availability preference can't be guaranteed, so it's best to be flexible and apply early.

What will my housing be like?

On arrival at your placement location your school representative will have arranged for you to visit suitable apartments and housing options according to your budget preference. Condo-style housing can start from as little as 3,500 THB US\$100/€95/£85 monthly.

During training you'll have a single-occupancy twin room at your hotel.

TIP: For those seeking a more plush pad, you can upgrade accommodation in some locations, budgeting in the region 6,000 THB.

I have dietary requirements, will I manage okay?

Yes, previous interns with both gluten and dairy free requirements as well as vegetarians have managed well with advice from our in-country team.

What extras do I need to pay for?

- Doctor's letter (to say you're fit and well)
- Criminal record check
- Vaccines
- Comprehensive travel insurance
- Visa
- Flights

Can I book a one-way flight?

Yes, you can book a one-way flight to Thailand, depending on the type of visa you arrive on. We advise you to book a flexible ticket so you have the freedom to make travel plans while you're there. During your time in Thailand you'll meet other interns that you'll want to travel with afterwards. You'll typically have some time left to travel after your placement and it is easy to extend your time in Thailand. Combined with new-found friends you'll have the perfect recipe to explore more of Thailand or kick back in a hammock for the ultimate post-teaching relaxation.

Is there a chance I won't be accepted?

As with any internship your spot isn't guaranteed. Your application is subject to local school and visa approval.

If your application is not approved by our partner schools you'll be refunded all of your internship deposit except 50% of the 30-hour TEFL course included. Essentially, you'll get TEFL trained at half price. We'll also guide you on other internship options or independent job searches.





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We're here to make sure you have the best TEFL experience and get you living the life you've always dreamed of abroad!

Contact us with any questions - we'll help you get there.

We're available to chat Monday to Friday

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