


EDUCATIONAL TRIPS ABROAD FOR SCHOOLS & UNIVERSITIES




TO EUROPE & ASIA 




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A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTORS



There is constant discussion about what education really means, what learning truly entails and how we can best prepare our students for the post-education world. A wealth of research suggests that active, experiential learning is a powerful tool to supplement more traditional teaching methods. That's why we strive for the best trips: educational programmes that seamlessly reinforce what students have been learning at home.

As well as stimulating critical thinking, our trips foster a sense of global responsibility. Global citizenship – having an awareness of how we impact the rest of the world – is important to us, because we're a team made up of enthusiastic travellers. Many of us come from, have lived in, or currently live in the destinations you'll find in this brochure. We're therefore not just passionate about showing students the must-see sites. We also want to create a space where they can engage with everyday local life.

We always encourage our students to reflect on what they have learned on their trips and we do the same ourselves: constantly questioning, evaluating and improving how our itineraries are run.

Ramsay Kerr

Alex Seigel



WHO WE ARE

We are The Learning Adventure, an educational tour company that began providing school trips in 2011. Since then, we have taken hundreds of schools and universities from all across the world on academic travel programmes. A lot of our team come from an educational background and most of us interact with teachers every day. We understand the rewards and challenges of working in the education sector and aim to support you as much as possible in planning your school trip.



Flexible Itineraries

You will find a small sample of our itineraries in this brochure with more available on our website. However, no two trips with us are ever the same. We tailor all our itineraries to your learning objectives and travel style. We cater to any programme, from service trips and cultural tours to subject-focused educational trips and faculty-led university programmes.



100% Organised by Us

We believe that who we are is what we do. That's why we plan, book and operate every component of your trip. This includes guides, activities, accommodation, food and in-country transportation, as well as detailed Health & Safety audits. Our commitment to overseeing our tours from beginning to end means that we are completely confident in their standards.



You Are Financially Protected

We have a Total Payment Protection (topp) Policy and an Air Travel Organiser's Licence (ATOL). These are designed to protect customers in the unlikely event of a company ceasing trading. Under our parent company, The Dragon Trip, our UK office is also a member of ABTA – membership means that ABTA has deemed us a reputable company with high standards of service.



Experts in Educational Travel

We have years of experience providing school trips. We started as a group of avid travellers and former teachers with a shared belief that some of the best experiences happen when travel and education meet. Now, we run dozens of school trips every year with the confidence that we have perfected the art of curating, organising and executing academic travel programmes.



Affordable Trips

When you book with us, you can be sure that the planning and logistics of your trip are not being outsourced to another company. This in turn ensures that we deliver the best price possible. We are also able to tailor the itinerary to your budget, providing recommendations on transportation methods and accommodation options, as well as advice on the best-suited length and location of your trip.



Health & Safety

We understand the responsibility that comes with taking students abroad. We have a 24-hour emergency helpline, our staff are first aid trained, our trips are risk assessed and we provide a list of the nearest healthcare facilities in advance. Thanks to our rigorous stress tests and procedures, we have a clear Health & Safety record with no injuries or accidents.





WHAT WE DO

We deliver exceptional, personalised educational experiences for teachers and students alike. Our service is fully tailored and customised for each school, teacher and subject. We make it easy for you to plan, prepare and travel on a school trip, working with you on all the minor details and assisting in the organisational elements to ensure the trip's smooth running.

With offices in London and Shanghai, we can react to fast-changing situations, make last-minute adjustments and provide in-country support.



All-Inclusive Trips
Most schools book all-inclusive trips. We cater for all dietary requirements, provide a variety of transport types and include all activities and transport. We can also arrange trips that allow groups more flexibility.



Unlimited Quotes
To get your trips just right, we revise itineraries as many times as necessary, commitment and cost free. We do this because we understand that itineraries may need to be approved by several members of senior management.



On-the-Ground Support
We have offices in Asia and Europe, so we are always on hand to help during your trip. Your dedicated Operational Officer will contact you regularly whilst you are on the ground to check how your trip is progressing.



Flexible Payment Plan
Our standard plan is 30% at booking, 30% three months before departure and the remaining 40% one month prior. However, we understand that every institution is different, so we endeavour to organise and arrange a payment plan that works for your group.



Pre-Departure Meetings
To prepare students and parents for departure, a member of our team can come into your school to present on the trip ahead. We provide information on the learning objectives, packing list, flights and methods of contact. This will also be included in a pre-departure pack.



Visa Support
Depending on where you are travelling from and to, you may need a visa. We offer full guidance on securing the right documentation, appointments and requirements in partnership with our trusted visa agent. We also advise on which type of visa to obtain.



Teachers Travel Free
Our prices are based on one free teacher per 10 paying students, and teachers always have a private room, regardless of which accommodation you choose. We also pride ourselves on our Adventure Leaders who can handle all on-the-ground plans so teachers don't have to.



Varied Travel Styles
We cater to all travel styles, from hostels to four-star hotels. Accommodation must meet our standards and students never share rooms with the public or opposite sex. Whether you choose private or public transportation, we only use reputable, safe and trusted modes of transport.



Flights
We can book ATOL-protected flights as part of your package. We have special access to group rates which streamlines the process and means that full payment is not needed up front. This allows you to delay requesting payments from parents and manages your workload.





OUR PRICES

You may notice that itineraries in this brochure do not have prices attached. This is because each tour is tailored specifically to your requirements and can vary considerably from school to school. Our prices may also change depending on departure date, number of students, travel style, activities included and guides required. However, we always ensure that the price we quote is the best price available as we want as many students as possible to be able to experience an educational trip abroad. If you would like to find out the specific price of a trip, enquire via phone, live chat or email. One of our Educational Specialists will customise a quote and budget, fully customised to your group's requirements.

What's Included?

Our itineraries will detail exactly what is included in the price of your trip and we can include as little or as much as you like. This means that you won't have any hidden costs, additional fees or unexpected charges.

Most schools like us to provide all of the below:

- ✓ Lead Adventure Leader
 - ✓ Local Adventure Leaders
 - ✓ All accommodation
 - ✓ Full board meals
 - ✓ All in-country transport
- ✓ International flights
 - ✓ All activities listed in the itinerary
 - ✓ 1 free teacher per 10 paying students
 - ✓ 24-hour emergency contact support
 - ✓ Detailed pre-departure summary



LEARNING OUTCOMES

Our Educational Specialists work with our Operational Officers to make sure every itinerary fulfils students' learning objectives. Teachers usually choose to include both academic and cultural goals. We also endeavour to meet a range of learning objectives surrounding personal growth, aimed at ensuring students leave our trips as more confident, well-rounded global citizens. During your trip, we provide supplementary materials to ensure that students interact with locals, ask questions and stay engaged. We also make sure that the schools and companies you visit are selected to match your academic goals.

Learning Objectives

Interpersonal

- Teambuilding
- Trust
- Communication
- Empathy
- Collaboration

Cultural

- Historical Appreciation
- Cross-Cultural Insight
- Intergenerational Exchange
- Immersive Learning

Individual

- Independence
- Reflection
- Interpellation

Academic

- Language Learning
- Mathematical Application
- Scientific Method
- Literary Value
- Musical Appreciation
- Logical Systems and Strategies

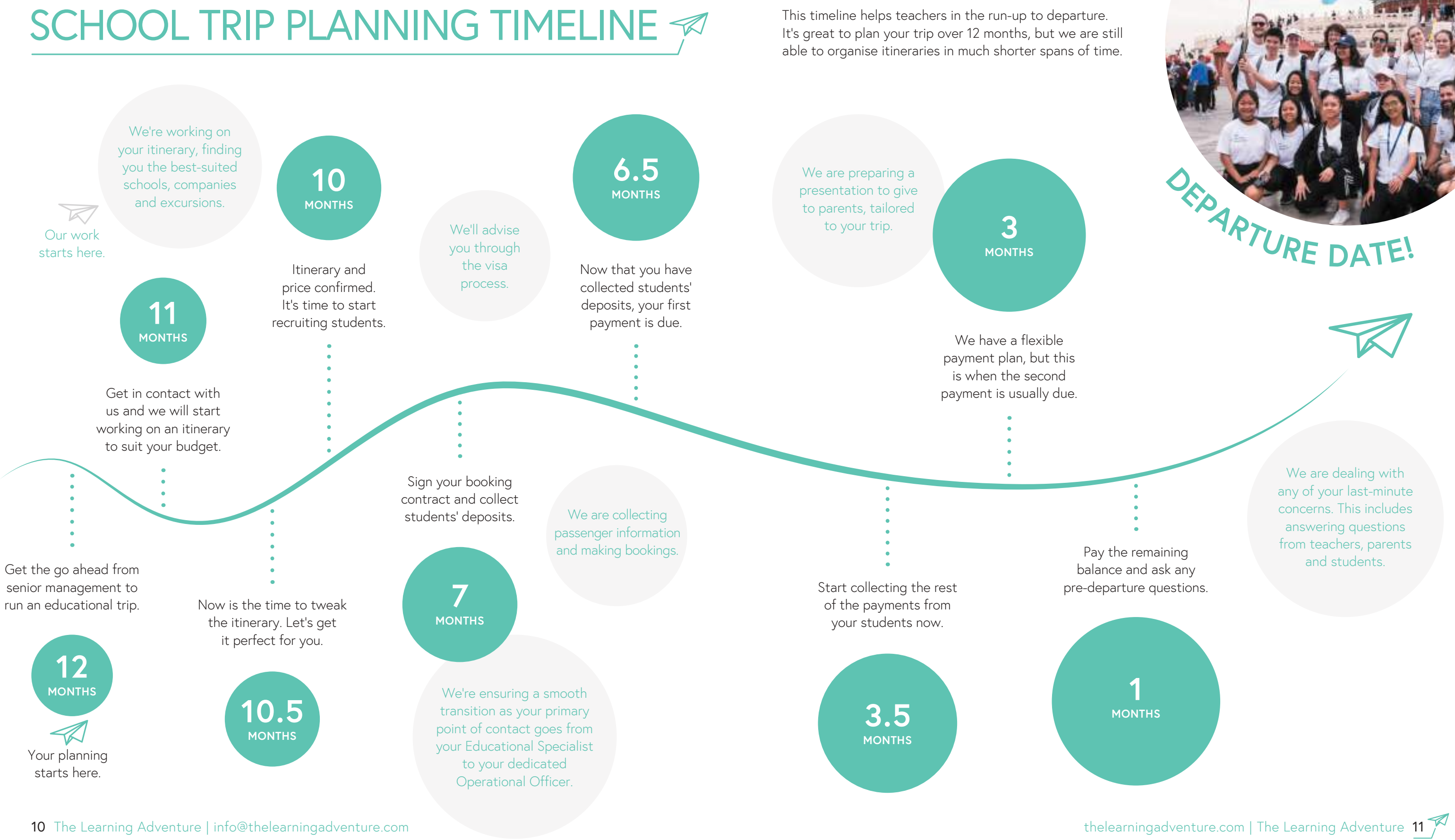


Meet Our Team

Geoff, Educational Programme Developer

Drawing on his background in education, Geoff's role at The Learning Adventure involves developing the educational value of our trips and ensuring that each programme has clear learning objectives attached.

SCHOOL TRIP PLANNING TIMELINE





MEET OUR TEAM

Educational Specialists

Our Educational Specialists are your first point of contact. They will provide you with unlimited quotes, free of charge and commitment, until they have got the itinerary just right for you.



Amy, Educational Specialist Manager

Like a lot of our team, Amy is a former teacher and enthusiastic traveller, so she really believes in the power of an educational school trip but also appreciates the pressure that teachers are under on a daily basis. Amy's responsibilities include liaising with schools in the UK, sending them quotes and understanding the teachers' needs in order to provide the most tailored itineraries possible.



Kate, Educational Specialist

Before joining The Learning Adventure, Kate backpacked all over Asia. She thinks it's hugely beneficial for students to experience first-hand what they are learning in the classroom. Kate works with teachers from the Asia-Pacific region planning trips to the rest of the world, often sending and reviewing CAS trip itineraries for schools running the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.

Operational Officers

Once you've booked and your itinerary is confirmed, you'll be in the hands of our operational team. You'll have a dedicated officer who will make sure that you and your students are ready for departure. They will also keep in close contact whilst the trip is running, checking in regularly for feedback.



Lina, Operational Officer

Lina is responsible for working out on-the-ground details for our school trips in China, constructing itineraries and making bookings once they've been approved by the school. She is the main point of contact for specific activities, programmes, contracts and enquiries. Lina's wealth of experience means that she is usually the dedicated Operational Officer for more complex educational trips.



Hana, Operational Manager

Hana manages our educational tours to Japan, with a focus on improving these programmes and expanding the opportunities we offer to students in this destination. She enjoys the detailed work, from designing trips to on-the-ground operations. Teachers often praise Hana for her fast responses, ability to handle last-minute requests and for being in contact with them frequently during the trip.

ADVENTURE LEADERS

We only hire exceptional people and some of our guides have been working with us since our first trips departed. They know their cities inside-out, always receive rave reviews and many have prior experience working in education.

Our Adventure Leader Requirements:

- Official qualification to guide in their respective destinations
- Extensive guiding experience
- Fluent in English or the school's native language
- Knowledge of Health & Safety procedures
- Always equipped with a First Aid kit
- Have received consistent positive feedback from past trips
- In-depth knowledge of their city



Meet Our Adventure Leaders

We recommend having one lead Adventure Leader, who will be with you throughout your trip, as well as local Adventure Leaders at each location, providing you with in-depth information about their home. These are the friendly faces who could be showing you their city.

Jack, Beijing



Fumi, Kyoto



Haruko, Hiroshima



Katsumi, Tokyo



Andie, Chengdu



Maria, London



Nathalie, Paris



Elaine, Chengdu



CASE STUDIES



What the School Said

A short tour around London informed our team about the historical context of the business district and how it all started. I found the start-up activity absorbing and interactive while the entrepreneur who talked to us about things like career options helped a lot.
Harris Girls' Academy Bromley, UK, April 2019

About the Trip

The Harris Girls' Academy went on a business day trip to London, talking to the founder of an advertising agency and using what they'd learned to pitch their own start-up ideas.



What the School Said

The trip to Guizhou was very relaxing and enjoyable. Students expanded their knowledge in tea-picking, paper-making, batik, and experienced different cultural customs. We also visited a primary school. Through building bookshelves and playing games with the children at the school, students enhanced their social responsibilities and realized the importance of helping others. The team leaders were enthusiastic, knowledgeable, and provided us with good services.
The International School of Macao, China, March 2019

About the Trip



The International School of Macao went on an IB CAS trip to Guizhou, embarking on a variety of creativity, activity and service tasks. They volunteered at a local school and taught English lessons, visited the Xifeng Concentration Camp to learn about the Second Sino-Japanese War and hiked to the Huangguoshu Waterfall.



About the Trip

Staples High School began in Shanghai, then moved through Suzhou, Hangzhou, Hefei, Kunming, Dali and Xi'an until they finished their trip in Beijing. Students interacted with locals to improve their Mandarin and delved into China's diverse history, with a trip to the Summer Palace to learn about the Opium Wars and to a silk factory to learn about the Silk Road.



What the School Said

I was greatly impressed by The Learning Adventure as they made sure that they understood exactly what I wanted. To finally meet so many of the staff upon our arrival in Shanghai was yet another sign of the personalization. They had an intuitive understanding that my primary goal in bringing my students to China was to delve into a deep, age-appropriate understanding of Chinese culture.
Staples High School, USA, July 2019

What the School Said

The Learning Adventure staff were very professional and informative. The Chinese tour guides were extremely helpful. This trip enabled pupils to explore China beyond their textbook learning. It was truly an eye-opener and pupils thoroughly enjoyed one of the most unforgettable and spectacular school trips!
City of London School, UK, July 2019

About the Trip

City of London School visited the Panda Breeding Research Base in Chengdu, used Yangshuo as a case study for challenges facing rural China and discovered ancient history at the Terracotta Warriors in Xi'an.



CHINA

China is the perfect place to take students on an educational tour that immerses them in a range of subjects. History students can dive deep into the country's complex past, from dynastic imperialism to the rise of communism. Geography students can collect information for case studies – the country's rapid changes over the last century mean it is a fascinating place to see the impacts of urbanisation.

Whatever the educational focus, trips are filled with hands-on, interactive experiences. Students can learn the ancient art of calligraphy, take part in a Chinese cooking class, experience a traditional tea ceremony and visit local schools for lessons relevant to their curriculum.

China is the country that opens up fascinating new perspectives on the subjects that students have been studying in the classroom. It's the destination for teachers who want to run an educational tour with a difference, one that the students will learn from and remember for life, one that's different to the average school trip. With curricula increasingly incorporating more of the world's arts and sciences, educational experiences in China have never been more relevant.



Popular Subjects

History • Language • Geography • Technology • IB CAS • Business & Economics



Sample Itineraries

Mandarin in China

Days 1–4

Shanghai

Educational Activities:

Cultural Highlights:

Transport:

Day 5

Hangzhou

Cultural Highlights:

Transport:

Days 6–10

Beijing

Educational Activities:

Cultural Highlights:

Business in Shanghai & Beijing

Days 1–3

Shanghai

Educational Activities:

Cultural Highlights:

Transport:

Days 4–7

Beijing

Educational Activities:

Cultural Highlights:

CHINA

Geography in Urban & Rural China

Days 1–4 ● Beijing

- Educational Activities:** ● Receive a Geography lecture and embark on a tour of a hutong neighbourhood.
- Cultural Highlights:** ● Hike a secluded area of the Great Wall, watch an acrobatics show, enjoy a kung fu lesson, and learn about the history of the Temple of Heaven and Summer Palace.
- Transport:** ● Fly to Guilin

Days 5–6 ● Longji Rice Terraces

- Educational Activities:** ● Explore the Longji rice terrace fields and meet minority tribes on a hike through rice paddies.
- Transport:** ● Coach to Yangshuo

Days 7–10 ● Yangshuo

- Educational Activities:** ● Rock-climb karst peaks, help a local village community with organic farming, and discover mud baths and hot springs. Spend a day researching the effects of tourism on the economy with local experts.
- Cultural Highlights:** ● Take part in a Chinese cooking class, bamboo raft down the Yulong River and shop on West Street. 

Customisations

To provide students with a case study on rural-to-urban migration, we recommend visiting both cities and the countryside. The hutong tour will detail how these communities have been affected by the migration to Beijing, and students will learn how the minority tribes in Longji have been affected by younger generations leaving their villages.

Teachers running environmental geography trips sometimes choose to swap Beijing for Chengdu, where students can learn about the causes of animal endangerment at the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding.

Learning Objectives

- Understand the causes and effects of population growth, migration and urbanisation in China's cities and rural areas. Describe how this is linked to economic development, as well as social and environmental problems.
- Learn how landforms – like rice terraces, karst mountain ranges and urban metropolises – are formed, either through human or natural causes.
- Identify the effects that tourism has on a developing economy like that of China, including advantages – such as lower unemployment rates and higher GDP – and disadvantages, like environmental and social problems.

China Multidisciplinary Trip

Days 1–3 ● Shanghai

- Educational Activities:** ● Learn about China's rapid urban development and tour the financial district, Lujiazui.
- Cultural Highlights:** ● Take a Chinese cooking class and cruise down the Huangpu River.
- Transport:** ● Fly to Chengdu


Days 4–5 ● Sichuan

- Educational Activities:** ● Visit the Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding.
- Cultural Highlights:** ● Climb the Leshan Giant Buddha and see the Sichuan Opera.
- Transport:** ● Fast train to Xi'an

Days 6–8 ● Xi'an

- Educational Activities:** ● Marvel at the Terracotta Army and take a calligraphy lesson.
- Cultural Highlights:** ● Cycle the city walls and see the Big Wild Goose Pagoda.
- Transport:** ● Night train to Beijing

Days 9–14 ● Beijing

- Educational Activities:** ● Receive a lecture on China's "four new inventions", tour a hutong neighbourhood and join lessons at a Chinese school. 

Customisations

We offer multidisciplinary trips to all our destinations. These programmes are incredibly popular, as they allow students to achieve learning objectives across multiple subjects and give more students the opportunity to travel abroad.

Schools that want to incorporate more communist politics and history into their programme may opt to visit Chairman Mao's mausoleum and the National Museum in Beijing. Students studying the Second Sino-Japanese war have their textbooks brought to life by visiting Nanjing and Handan.

Learning Objectives

- Learn about the historical and religious significance of important cultural sites, like the Terracotta Army, the Leshan Giant Buddha, the Great Wall of China and the Forbidden City.
- Improve your conversational Mandarin skills through interacting with Chinese school students and your local guides.
- Experience new cultures, arts, foods and religion, different to your own, through immersive activities, like kung fu, cooking classes and calligraphy.
- Develop your knowledge of a range of geography topics, including urbanisation and animal conservation.



JAPAN

A once insular society closed off from the world and later devastated by the Second World War, Japan's culture is one-of-a-kind. Today, it is an economic powerhouse, known for its advanced technology, unrivalled work ethic and ability to rebuild. It is the ideal destination to bring students looking to develop their understanding of business, economics, tech and robotics, art and design, the history of the Second World War and so much more.

With one of the best education systems in the world, our connections with local schools, universities and businesses provide hands-on learning experiences, whatever your trip's subject focus. We are able to match school visits to your students' age, subject and learning objectives. Company tours usually include a lecture or workshop, led by a key member of staff, as well as a Q&A session.

Japan offers learning opportunities that other countries can't. Media students can learn all about manga and anime in Tokyo, whilst Science or Geography groups can get to the heart of disaster management, as they travel to Fukushima and Hiroshima. Some of the activities we offer – such as a talk by an A-bomb legacy successor, visiting tsunami evacuation sites and hiking Mount Fuji – are once-in-a-lifetime educational experiences. They are unique to this stunning and diverse country.



Christy, Operational Officer

Popular Subjects

Business • Technology • Art & Design • IB CAS • Manga & Anime • Disaster Prevention & Relief



Sample Itineraries

Art & Design in Tokyo & Kyoto

Days 1–4 ● Tokyo

Educational Activities: Visit the prestigious Tokyo Animation College, learn about Koshun Masunaga's creative process at her calligraphy studio and explore a huge range of artwork at the Tokyo National Museum. Sketch inspiring works at the Mori Art Museum and 21_21 Design Sight Museum.

Cultural Highlights: Enjoy city views over Tokyo Metropolitan Government Building, explore Harajuku and visit the Meiji Shrine and Sensoji Temple.

Transport: Bullet train to Kyoto

Days 5–7 ● Kyoto

Educational Activities: Participate in a calligraphy lesson and marvel at the International Manga Museum.

Cultural Highlights: Visit the Fushimi Inari Shrine and Golden Pavilion, and watch traditional performances at Gion Corner.

Business & Technology in Tokyo

Days 1–4 ● Tokyo

Educational Activities: Learn about advanced technology at the National Museum of Emerging Science & Innovation. Visit the Toyota Mega Web Car Theme Park, Panasonic Centre and Sony ExploraScience.

Cultural Highlights: Participate in a sushi making class, explore the Harajuku District and Asakusa, visit Shibuya Crossing and relax on a cruise down the Sumida River.

Transport: Train to Hakone

Day 5 ● Hakone

Educational Activities: Take the ropeway and enjoy stunning views over Lake Ashi on a luxury pirate ship.

Transport: Train to Tokyo

Days 6–7 ● Tokyo

Educational Activities: Find out what it's like to work in finance on the trading room floor of the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

Cultural Highlights: Discover incredible cultural relics at the Edo-Tokyo Museum and learn new skills in a Taiko drumming class.



SOUTH KOREA

One of our fastest-growing destinations for educational trips in Asia, South Korea's position in the world makes it a fascinating place to bring students. Perfect for those studying international relations, as well as history, culture, tech and business, it is a destination suitable for many different fields.

South Korea provides ample opportunities for enriching students' curriculum, from learning about its diverse music scene to meeting those at the forefront of global technological developments. For politics or international relations, students can speak to a North Korean defector. Music students can hold a joint performance with a local high school. Geography students can head to Jeju to learn about the Manjanggul Cave, home to a variety of natural formations, like lava stalagmites and lava tube tunnels.

“As a geographically isolated country, South Korea is fiercely proud of its long history and rich culture, having fought to maintain independence from foreign powers since ancient times. Bring your students to marvel at well-preserved cultural sites like Gyeongbukgung Palace and Haeinsa Temple. If you're lucky, you'll time your visit to South Korea during one of the country's many vibrant festivals, giving your students a rare opportunity to take part in local traditions and customs.”



Elisha, Educational Specialist

Popular Subjects

STEM • Martial Arts • Music • History • International Relations



Sample Itineraries

Martial Arts in Seoul

Days 1–4 ● Seoul

Sporting Activities: ● Watch a demonstration at the World Taekwondo HQ and participate in martial arts training sessions.

Cultural Highlights: ● Visit Gyeongbokgung Palace and speak to a North Korean defector.

Transport: ● Coach to the DMZ

Day 5 ● Demilitarized Zone

Cultural Highlights: ● Visit the Dora Observatory and Dorasan Station, once intended to connect North and South Korea.

Transport: ● Coach to Seoul

Days 6–7 ● Seoul

Cultural Highlights: ● Take a Korean cooking class and visit the Samsung D'light exhibition.

Days 8–10 ● Gyeongju

Sporting Activities: ● Watch a demonstration of Sunmudo, a Korean Buddhist martial art, then take two Sunmudo training sessions.

Cultural Highlights: ● Stay overnight at the Gulgulsa Temple. Experience a guided meditation class and a morning chanting service with the monks.

STEM in South Korea

Days 1–4 ● Seoul

Educational Activities: ● Experience interactive exhibitions at Samsung D'light, visit a school specialising in STEM, participate in a coding class and attend a lecture by a technology company.

Cultural Highlights: ● Head up the N Seoul Tower, explore Gangnam District and see traditional houses in Bukchon Hanok Village. Watch a traditional Korean performance and discover K-pop recording studios at the SM Town Coex Artium.

Transport: ● Coach to the DMZ

Day 5 ● Demilitarized Zone

Cultural Highlights: ● Look out at North Korea from the Dora Observatory, walk through the infiltration tunnel built by the North Koreans and visit Panmunjeom, where the armistice agreement which paused the Korean War was signed.

Transport: ● Coach to Seoul

Days 6–7 ● Seoul


Educational Activities: ● Discover advanced science and technology with interactive exhibits at the Gwacheon National Science Museum.




SOUTH EAST ASIA

Favourites for schools running the International Baccalaureate and looking for ways their students can fulfil the CAS requirement, Thailand, Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia are more than just backpacking destinations. To create meaningful experiences, we partner with local sustainability organisations, like Trash Rehash in Cambodia, animal sanctuaries, like the Elephant Jungle Sanctuary in Thailand, and local communities, like Ban Sop Jaek Village in Laos.

We also offer a range of subject-focused trips in South East Asia. Students can apply their classroom education to conduct biological studies out in the field or learn about a different culture's art and design world.



Thailand, Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia all make affordable school trip destinations, but these countries don't sacrifice on rewarding and immersive educational and cultural opportunities. Highlights include the learning experiences that teach students about the environmental stress on this region. In Laos, students can hear from local experts on how the country's environment has suffered as the economy has grown. In Cambodia, groups can work with Ten Thousand Trees, an organisation with a mission to plant 10,000 trees per year.



Lesley, Operational Manager

Popular Subjects
Biology • History • IB CAS • Art & Design



Sample Itineraries

Biology in Vietnam

Day 1

Cultural Highlights:

Transport:

Days 2–3

Educational Activities:

Cultural Highlights:

Transport:

Days 4–5

Educational Activities:

Cultural Highlights:

Day 6

Cultural Highlights

Hanoi

Take a bicycle ride through the Old Quarter.

Coach to Cuc Phuong National Park

Cuc Phuong National Park

Collect insects in a research project and evaluate your findings. Visit the Endangered Primate Rescue Centre to discuss how insect and primate life are related.

Jungle trek to a 1,000 year-old sequoia tree.

Coach to Halong Bay

Halong Bay

Kayak out to collect algae samples to analyse. They indicate the health of the overall marine environment.

Hop in a traditional sampan and head to Luon Cave.

Hanoi

Visit Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum. Learn about the historic French colonial influence on the city at the Presidential Palace.

IB CAS in Thailand

Day 1

Creativity:

Transport:

Day 2

Service:

Transport:

Day 3

Activity:

Transport:

Days 4–7

Service:

Chiang Mai

Sketch the Wat Phra That Doi Suthep and Wat Chedi Luang temples.

Coach to Elephant Jungle Sanctuary

Elephant Jungle Sanctuary

Feed, play, bathe and give medicine to the elephants. Learn about the history of the sanctuary and why protecting elephants is so important.

Coach to Chiang Mai

Chiang Mai

Go ziplining, embark on a cycling tour around the countryside hills of Chiang Mai and set off for a jungle hike to a hidden waterfall.

Coach to Treehouse Village

Treehouse Village

Complete a community service project. You could be renovating schoolhouses, creating a sustainable system for recycling plastics or marking zones for landslide prevention.



With an office in London, we are best placed for organising UK-based trips, whether day trips in London or longer itineraries featuring the capital and beyond. Our UK team are experts in tailoring itineraries to suit popular subjects: business students can visit successful start-ups and coworking spaces, whilst politics and law students can tour the Supreme Court and Houses of Parliament. Venturing outside of London, students can visit the historical cities of Oxford and Cambridge or the pagan site of Stonehenge to learn about the country's long and diverse history.

Our location means that we are able to organise unique, personal and original experiences. Our team have all spent many years getting to know the city's hidden gems and have built up a vast network of contacts who welcome groups of students into their businesses. Art students can visit creative agencies, economics groups can attend lectures with directors of finance companies, and tech students can ask coding and app companies their burning questions.



Maria, Operational Officer

Popular Subjects

Art & Design • History • Literature • Politics & Law • Computer Science • Business & Economics



Sample Itineraries

Film & Photography in London

Days 1–7 ● London

- Educational Activities:

 - Visit Ealing Studios, the Cinema Museum and V&A's Photography Centre. Get involved in an industry masterclass at the MetFilm School, a film production lesson and a darkroom printing workshop. Hear from a photography professional and engage in a Q&A session.
- Cultural Highlights:

 - Photograph London's most famous landmarks: Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey, the Houses of Parliament and quirky Shoreditch.

DT & Computer Science Day Trip in London

- London 10:00am – 3:45pm

10:00am: ● Listen to a presentation at Imperial College London.

12:00pm: ● Explore the Design Museum's exhibition on the evolution of contemporary design.

1:45pm: ● Take a break for lunch in shared offices.

2:30pm: ● Attend a talk by a technology start-up. Firms include Code Kingdom, an educational coding-gaming platform, and Marshmallow, an insurtech start-up.

Business & Economics in London & Oxford

Days 1–4 ● London

- Educational Activities:

 - Visit a successful start-up, attend a lecture from staff at the Bank of England and participate in a customer profiling workshop at the Museum of Brands. Attend a public speaking training session and a workshop at the London Stock Exchange.
- Cultural Highlights:

 - Venture up 20 Fenchurch Street for a panoramic view from the Sky Garden and visit the Southbank market.

Transport: ● Coach to Oxford

Day 5 ● Oxford

- Educational Activities:

 - Visit the BMW factory to learn about the vehicle production process.
- Cultural Highlights:

 - Find important landmarks in the colleges of the UK's oldest university as you complete a photo scavenger hunt.

Transport: ● Coach to London

Days 6–7 ● London

- Educational Activities:

 - Go on a tour of the London Business School, ask questions in a Q&A with a start-up and pitch your own business idea.



FRANCE

One of the most popular destinations for school trips, France's culture, history and sites are suitable for a variety of subjects. On our trips to France, politics students can speak to activists, while art students can attend a lecture at Sorbonne University.

We believe that it is important for students to visit the must-see tourist hotspots. However, whatever the subject focus, we also deliver additional educational value by including interactive learning opportunities, like scavenger hunts, to encourage students to think academically about these famous sites.

With so many students learning French, a school trip to France immerses students in the language, improving their comprehension, listening and speaking skills. There's also nothing like hiking the Puy de Dôme or visiting the Château d'If, which was a setting in Dumas' *The Count of Monte Cristo*, to inspire students to throw themselves into French culture and to discover the ways it connects to subjects such as geography, history and literature.



Nathalie, Educational Specialist

Popular Subjects

Literature • Language • Art • History • Politics



Sample Itineraries

France Multidisciplinary Trip

- Days 1–4 ● Paris**
- Educational Activities:** ● Meet an En Marche member and do a scavenger hunt in the Louvre.
- Cultural Highlights:** ● Go on a historical city tour and take a French mime class.
- Transport:** ● Coach to Lyon
- Day 5 ● Lyon**
- Cultural Highlights:** ● Take a walking tour of the city and listen to a reading of French literature.
- Transport:** ● Coach to Grotte de Choranche
- Day 6 ● Grotte de Choranche**
- Educational Activities:** ● Learn about underground rivers and rock formations.
- Transport:** ● Coach to the Puy de Dôme
- Day 7 ● Puy de Dôme**
- Cultural Highlights:** ● Hike the volcano and swim in Lac Pavin crater lake.
- Transport:** ● Coach to Marseille
- Days 8–10 ● Marseille**
- Educational Activities:** ● Take a tour through Marseille to learn about the city's history of migration and visit the Château d'If.


Literature in Paris

- Days 1–3 ● Paris**
- Educational Activities:** ● Visit Oscar Wilde's place of death, attend a literary lecture at Sorbonne University and hear from an author.
- Cultural Highlights:** ● Cruise down the River Seine, enjoy a stand-up comedy show and hear from the Gilet Jaunes, a political activist movement.
- Transport:** ● Coach to the Loire Valley
- Day 4 ● Loire Valley**
- Educational Activities:** ● Take a literary tour of the Loire Valley castles to find out about why it was a place of inspiration for many Renaissance writers.
- Cultural Highlights:** ● Visit the underground cave dwellings.
- Transport:** ● Coach to Paris
- Days 5–6 ● Paris**
- Educational Activities:** ● Embark on a philosophers tour through the city, from Saint-Germain-des-Prés to the Latin Quarter.
- Cultural Highlights:** ● Explore the artistic area of Montmartre and enjoy the beautiful sunset from the Sacré-Cœur Basilica.




SPAIN

Spain's geographical location has allowed it to develop a distinct culture and history in which many ideas, movements, religions and theories have flourished through the eras. This varied past makes the country a fascinating place for a school trip, whether to study geography in the hills of Andalusia, history in the streets of Madrid or architecture in the busy roads of Barcelona. Spanish is also the second most spoken language in the world, after Mandarin, and there is no better way to learn the language than to immerse yourself in the local culture.



We're constantly finding new learning opportunities all throughout Spain. My current favourites are a talk with a journalist or CUP member on the Catalan separatist movement and the street art tour in Madrid. Our itineraries are full of interactive excursions like these, from artists teaching students their craft to astronomers showing them how to use a telescope to observe the cosmos. Our team are committed to providing activities like these, as they allow students to engage with Spain's history, politics, arts and culture.



Amy, Educational Specialist Manager

Popular Subjects

Literature • Language • Geography • Art • Architecture



Sample Itineraries

Art in Madrid & Barcelona

Days 1–3 ● Madrid

Educational Activities:

Embark on a street art tour, visit a tapestry factory and participate in a scavenger hunt around the Prado. Learn about leather at Taller Puntera and visit the Reina Sofía.

Cultural Highlights:

Be inspired watching a play at the Teatro Español.

Transport:

Bus to Barcelona

Days 4–6 ● Barcelona

Educational Activities:

Visit the Sagrada Família and Joan Miró Museum and take part in a mosaic workshop.

Cultural Highlights:

Go on a walking tour of Barcelona to find out about the city's history and enjoy a night light show at Gaudí's La Pedrera.

Geography in Madrid & Andalusia

Days 1–3 ● Madrid

Educational Activities:

Tour a waste management site. Learn about the impact of climate and terrain on insects and reptiles at the Insect Park.

Cultural Highlights:

Embark on a tour of the city, focusing on important civil war spots. Learn about Spain's bullfighting history at a bullring.

Transport:

Coach to Cuenca

Day 4 ● Cuenca

Educational Activities:

Discover karst rock formations at a geological site near Cuenca.

Transport:

Coach to Andalusia

Days 5–7 ● Andalusia

Educational Activities:

Spot flamingos and learn about the huge endorheic complex on a bike ride through the Fuente de Piedra Lagoon. Learn about river pools and waterfalls on a hike through the Sierra de Tejeda and Alhama Natural Park.

Cultural Highlights:

Visit the "white village" of Nerja and watch a falconry demonstration. Treat yourself to espeto, barbecued sardines, on the beachfront.



ITALY

Italy has long been a popular destination for educational trips. The country is bursting with references to history across millennia, an intellectual treasure chest of religion, culture and art. There are few experiences more inspiring than walking through the Colosseum or seeing Michelangelo's Statue of David in real life. Art students can learn new skills in an art restoration workshop, geography students can hike Mount Vesuvius to learn about natural disasters and business students can do workshops at the head offices of household names, like Fendi and Ferrari, to discover how a successful business is run.

Italy is such a rewarding educational destination, which is why its arts and culture are so valued by schools and universities. Bring the textbooks to life as you show your students Ancient Roman architecture, like the aqueducts and huge bath complexes. Visit the Vatican to learn about its historic influence on the Western world over the centuries. We also show students the side to Italy beyond its big cities: they could be climbing up the crater of Mount Vesuvius one day and cycling around the beautiful Tuscan countryside the next.

Maria, Operational Officer

Popular Subjects

History • Art • Business • Geography • Classics



Sample Itineraries

Business in Rome & Bologna

Days 1–3 ● Rome

Educational Activities: ● Visit the Fendi offices in Mussolini's Square Colosseum, join business lessons at a local school and receive a business lecture from an art company.

Cultural Highlights: ● See the Pantheon, walk down the Via del Circo Massimo and experience views of the Vatican from the Orange Garden.

Transport: ● Train to Bologna

Days 4–7 ● Bologna

Educational Activities: ● Learn about the supply chain in a business workshop at the Eataly World farm and check out the Fiera di Bologna trade exhibition space in the business district. Participate in a workshop with the Ferrari team, designed to teach important technical and marketing skills.

Cultural Highlights: ● Climb up the Asinelli Tower and explore the Ferrari Museum. See world-famous cars and the Formula 1 racetrack.

Classical Civilisation in Rome

Days 1–4 ● Rome

Educational Activities: ● Visit the Area Sacra di Largo Argentina, the Theatre of Pompey and the Theatre of Marcellus. See the home of mythical Cacus: the Aventine Hill. Discover the religion and culture of Ancient Rome as you head to the Baths of Diocletian, the Ara Pacis and the National Roman Museum. Experience VR at the Colosseum and participate in a gladiator lesson.

Cultural Highlights: ● Visit the Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps. Admire city views from the Terrazza del Pincio, cycle on a four-person bike around the Villa Borghese and take part in a pasta-making class.

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