

teach what you love

STUDENT TEACHER

SUMMER 2022

inspire youth in Hong Kong



ABOUT US

Founded in 1992, Summerbridge Hong Kong ("Summerbridge") is a non-profit organization, which improves the educational trajectories of socioeconomically underprivileged students in Hong Kong (aged 13-15), by providing them with tuition-free, quality English language education and personal development opportunities. For our student teachers (aged 16-22), we aim to foster cross-cultural exchange and a sense of civic duty.

Students Teaching Students

Our program immerses students in a challenging and fun English immersion learning environment, and is run almost entirely by an international group of young people from high schools and universities from around the world, including places like the US, UK, Canada, and Hong Kong. Our "students teaching students" model gives older students the opportunity to teach, administer programs, and become role models to younger students.

Impact

Within this supportive educational environment, students are encouraged to be creative, voice their opinions, take risks, develop their individual interests, and improve their English language skills, through a culture where making mistakes is acceptable. Students develop lasting academic and life skills that better their chances of succeeding in high school, university, and life.

Goals

FOR STUDENT TEACHERS

- Train and inspire young people committed to education and community service
- Offer cross-cultural exchange

FOR STUDENTS

- Develop academic study skills
- Improve English communication skills
- Raise self-confidence and interpersonal skills
- Foster love of learning and leadership abilities



BEING A STUDENT TEACHER



You will experience:



DESIGNING YOUR OWN CURRICULUM



EVENT PLANNING



Many Summerbridge student teachers count the summer as one of their most rewarding experiences of giving back to the community. Located at sites around Hong Kong, Summerbridge runs an intensive 8-week summer program that involves 300 students and 100 student teachers each summer. Student teachers bring their passion, talents, and interests to collectively create a community that celebrates academic achievement, creativity, indivduality, and risk-taking.

Prior to teaching, student teachers participate in teaching workshops, create lesson plans, and learn to evaluate student performance. This prepares students teachers to teach a subject of their choice to classes of 8 to 10 students during the summer. Through classes and other special events planned by student teachers, students develop life skills like teamwork, confidence, and leadership. The work environment is diverse, challenging, and exciting.

Our Teachers:

- 16 22 years old (Students in university/high school)
- From around the world (e.g. US, UK, Canada, Hong Kong)
- Creative, fun, passionate

Our Students:

- 13 15 years old (students in local Hong Kong high schools)
- From disadvantaged backgrounds
- Highly motivated to learn

HOW TO APPLY

(no teaching experience required)

Download a Student Teacher application form from our website.

WWW.SUMMERBRIDGE.ORG.HK

DEADLINES

Hong Kong Residents February 25, 2022

Non-HK Residents February 18, 2022

2022 SUMMER PROGRAM DATES

June 18: Staff Introduction Day

June 24 - July 5: Teacher Orientation

July 6 - August 7: Classes in session

August 8 - 12: Evaluation Week

TIME CONFLICT?

If there is a conflict with your school schedule, please email us for more information.

TIME COMMITMENT

Monday - Friday, occasional work on weekends and public holidays, 50 hours/week

STUDENT TEACHER TESTIMONIALS



"As a student-teacher whose job was to help build confidence, I had to put myself out there and be confident in myself. This opportunity pushed me out of my comfort zone and challenged me to see the world from a different perspective, which is that there is more to life than just academic studies. Through this unforgettable experience, I built my confidence and grew to love and trust in myself."

Victoria Leung, South Island School



"One of the most amazing things about Summerbridge is that it gives teachers, students, families, and the wider community a lot of amazing stories. These stories are rooted in Hong Kong and can be shared all around the world. It is also because of our wider community that we are able to build a culture and spread our spirit, so that we get to show love to those who might not encounter love every day."

Justin Cheong, The University of Hong Kong



"Watching my students immerse themselves into the program and gain confidence in their English skills every week was very moving for me as their teacher. Moreover, having such a supportive environment in Summerbridge also inspired me to think outside the box and create activities that are highly engaging for students. Through this experience, I learned the value of human connections and the crucial role a teacher can play in the lives of students."

Angelina Tsang, University College London



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