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teach what you love

APPLY TO BE A **STUDENT TEACHER**

SUMMER 2023

inspire youth in Hong Kong



ABOUT US

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

Students Teaching Students

Our *students teaching students* model gives older students the opportunity to teach, administer programs, and become role models to younger students. Summerbridge is run almost entirely by a diverse group of young people from high schools and universities from around the world, including places like the US, UK, Canada, the Netherlands, and Hong Kong. For our younger students, they get the unique chance to learn from talented young people in a safe and supportive English-immersion environment.

Goals

FOR STUDENT TEACHERS

- Inspire young people to give back to their communities
- Promote cultural awareness through diversity
- Develop leadership skills
- Foster a love of teaching

FOR STUDENTS

- Improve English communication skills
- Raise self-confidence and interpersonal skills
- Foster a love of learning and leadership abilities
- Enhance study skills and provide academic support



BEING A STUDENT TEACHER



You will experience:

TEACHER
TRAINING

WORKING
WITH LOCAL
STUDENTS

TEACHING

EVENT
ORGANIZATION

DIVERSITY

Many Summerbridge student teachers describe the summer as an extraordinary community service experience that is both challenging and deeply fulfilling. The Summer Program is 8 weeks in length, and involves 300 students and 100 student teachers each year.

Prior to teaching, student teachers participate in teaching workshops, design their own curriculums, and learn about student backgrounds. Teaching a subject of their choice, student teachers work with classes of 8 to 10 students during the summer. In addition, student teachers work in teams to plan and implement sports, electives, and special events that provide students with even more opportunities to grow and learn.

Why It Matters

We believe that all young people, regardless of socioeconomic status, deserve an opportunity to learn and grow in a community where human connection, compassion and creativity are celebrated. Summerbridge provides this space, where students can feel accepted and empowered, and can find their own voice and strengths. It is also a safe environment, in which mistakes are embraced as opportunities. The key to creating this environment is the dedication of our teachers, who bring together their diverse cultures and passions to make a positive impact and inspire students to believe that their dreams are possible.

HOW TO APPLY

(no teaching experience required)

Download a Student Teacher application form from our website

SUMMERBRIDGE.ORG.HK

DEADLINES

Non-HK Residents

Hong Kong Residents

February 17, 2023

February 24, 2023

*Deadlines vary due to time needed to obtain a visa

2023 SUMMER PROGRAM DATES

June 17: Staff Introduction Day

June 23 - July 4: Teacher Orientation

July 5 - August 6: Classes in session

August 7 - 11: 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, 40 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



"Education is more than just how many A+'s your students get on their report cards. Education is about the million moments in between, the ones that remain with you and your students. Growing up, classrooms like the ones we have at Summerbridge only existed in my dreams, and I know this is true for a lot of my students. I will continue to work hard to give students the classroom that they are often denied, but a thousand percent deserve."

Tolulope Olasewere, Harvard University



"Having spent four summers with Summerbridge, I have seen students grow immensely in not just their English abilities, but also in their confidence, extroversion, and empathy. I have also seen the same personal growth in myself, with the program allowing me to work with a diverse range of people and placing me in roles that have pushed me out of my shell. Moreover, I am grateful for the program as it helped uncover my own passions for teaching and working with youth."

Justin Cheong, current French International School teacher



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