

## Winthrop University-School Partnership Network and Ellson Education

Through an agreement between Winthrop's College of Education and Ellson Education, members of the Winthrop University-School Partnership Network (faculty, teachers, and upper-level teacher candidates) have an opportunity for a unique personal and professional experience in China!

Ellson Education is an organization started by four Chinese teachers dedicated to providing Chinese students with a curriculum that is authentic and engaging while building a solid foundation in the English language. Using English immersion, the CLIL methodology (Content and Language Integrated Learning), and the Pearson Education curriculum set, Ellson works to ensure their students receive the very best, international-level quality training.

Two initiatives are supported through the partnership with Ellson, including a one-month summer teaching/cultural experience every July, and full-time teaching employment opportunities beginning with a one-year minimum contract agreement.

### Summer Teaching/Cultural Experience

Through two, 10-day summer camp sessions, Chinese students are immersed in American culture and language learning through their interactions with visiting educators and a partner Chinese teacher. The camps focus on organic English learning through a fun, interactive program filled with projects, activities, games, and dramatic performances. In addition, educators have the opportunity to experience China and view important national landmarks throughout their stay.

#### Benefits/Compensation:

- Complete airfare coverage to and from Beijing.
- Transportation to and from camp locations and cultural trips
- Opportunities by invitation to dine with student families and experience Chinese hospitality
- Lodging in upscale hotels for program duration (*individual room for licensed teachers; shared 2-person room for teacher candidates of the same gender*)
- Cultural trips (temples, hot springs, etc.) in the middle of each camp session
- 3-day sight-seeing trip in Beijing (including landmarks like The Great Wall, The Forbidden City, The Summer Palace, etc.) with opportunities for souvenir shopping
- 3 meals per day (hotel breakfast buffet, lunch during the camp, and dinner provided)
- Professional training and travel support available virtually and in person with an Ellson representative
- 2 hours of rest time in the middle of each camp day
- Freedom to explore host city at your leisure at the end of each camp day (*additional food and travel costs not covered by Ellson Education* )

#### Requirements:

- Certified teacher or teacher candidate (undergraduate or graduate) who is enrolled in or been approved for the year-long internship
- Favorable recommendation from school administrator or program advisor
- Ability to obtain valid passport and Chinese L-Tourist visa (*valid for 10 years*)
- Submit \$500 commitment deposit by Friday, May 12 (*the deposit is returned to you in Chinese currency upon arrival*)
- Recommended meeting with Winthrop Travel Clinic
- Personal interview with Ellson Education representative

## **Year-long Teaching Experience**

Interested in having a more long-term impact on learners in a diverse and vibrant cultural environment? Ellson Education is offering full-time teaching positions for educators wishing to gain teaching experience and explore the wonders of China.

### **Benefits/Compensation:**

- Average monthly salary of approximately \$1,500 to \$2,000+ (*dependent on qualifications and placement city*) paid in Chinese currency (*directly deposited into Chinese bank account that can be wired to US*)
- Flight from Charlotte to Beijing (*return flight not included*) with ground transportation to residence
- Convenient lodging in comfortable apartment spaces for program duration (*does not include utilities/Internet that typically run \$40-50 per month*)
- TEFL (Teaching English as a Foreign Language) Certification through Pearson Education
- Company sponsored coverage with a Chinese healthcare plan
- 2 weeks paid vacation and sick leave time
- Guaranteed year-end raises for qualified individuals renewing their contracts
- Airfare coverage for a 2-week home visit between each contract year (1/2 of total airfare for first year, complete coverage for second/each consecutive year)

### **Requirements:**

- Certified teacher or teacher preparation program or associated field graduate
- Favorable recommendation from school administrator or program advisor
- Ability to obtain valid passport and Chinese Z-Work visa
- Recommended meeting with Winthrop Travel Clinic
- TEFL Certification (or completion of Ellson's TEFL certificate program after contract signing)
- Signed contract for a minimum of 1-year
- Interview with Ellson Education representative

**DEADLINE:** Applications for year-long teaching are accepted throughout the year. Submit your application by visiting [https://winthrop.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_eXovE09wXHARCVD](https://winthrop.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eXovE09wXHARCVD).

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