

# MandarinRocks

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### 2008 China Volunteer Program

China isn't a country - it's a different world. From shop-till-you-drop metropolises to the desert landscapes of Xinjiang, China is a country of staggering contradictions, a land of cultural and geographic schism. A visit to China is an opportunity to experience the cultural diversity and grandeur of the world's most populous country.



**MandarinRocks'** China Volunteer Program introduces multiple aspects of Chinese society to you within the shortest time by combining language learning, site visits, social activities, culture exploration in metropolitan Shanghai with volunteering experience in rural area.

Our program not only gives participants a fulfilling experience that merits a life-long memory, but also crucially contributes to the improvement and enrichment of local lives, thus fostering cross cultural understanding and mutual friendship. The program is a perfect balance between study, leisure, and contribution. With our great management, your schedule will be well organized with a perfect balance of courses, activities, cultural visits and volunteering.

**The 2008 China Volunteer Program is now open to worldwide participants aged over 18. Join us and become the change you wish to see in the world!**

#### Program Description

There are two parts to the program: a minimum of 2 weeks' (up to 11 weeks) voluntary English training/teaching to teachers/students from schools in rural areas of Shanghai after 1 week's relaxing orientation consisting of Chinese language learning, site visits, social activities, culture exploration in metropolitan Shanghai. We arrange everything from airport pick-up, housing, meals, guides to volunteer placement so you don't have to worry about all the details. Our program coordinator will assist in all aspects to make sure your schedule is well organized and your activities are perfectly balanced.

#### Requirement

1 over 18 years old

2 completed secondary education

3 speak fluent English

Chinese knowledge or TEFL certification are not required, but they are definite plus and welcome



## Major program components

- **Orientation**

The program begins with a week-long orientation designed to acclimate you to Shanghai before the volunteer placement. There are 20 group or 10 individual lessons of Chinese language training in this week. The classes take place in the morning from Monday to Friday. Every afternoon, you will get to visit the city with the guide of our staff. You will have the opportunity to explore some spots of interest off the beaten path that are unknown to most visitors and even locals besides those world renowned tourist resorts in Shanghai. In the evenings, you can opt to join social or cultural activities with other program participants with MandarinRocks. There is plenty of free time for you to explore the city on your own. Well, do as little or as much as you want in Shanghai - it doesn't really matter as just being here is an experience in itself.

- **Volunteering**

On the weekend of the first week, you will be transported and taken to the home of your host family in the suburbs of Shanghai where you will receive an orientation that will familiarize you with the local area, the rural culture and your program. Although Shanghai is on the fast track to becoming the dominant destination in Asia for business and leisure, there still exists a huge gap between its urban and rural area in terms of infrastructure development, housing, health care and education. Children in the school (primary or middle school) we place you almost never have the chance to use English with a native speaker. In most cases, nor do their teachers. There never seems to be foreigners around. You will be aiding teachers by modeling better teaching methodologies, improving curriculum set up and lesson plans. There are a lot of tasks for you as many of the teachers lack sufficient skills in teaching English. You will also work directly with a class of students or with individuals on a daily basis to help them improve their English skills. Your contribution is extremely crucial to improve their conversational English and you will have a great learning experience and in-depth knowledge about the Chinese culture through conversing and sharing knowledge with the students and teachers.

- **Housing**

In the first week of orientation, you will stay in youth hostel, hotel or shared apartment (depends on availability) downtown with other program participants. On the first weekend, you are transported and taken to the home of their host family in the suburbs close to the school where you volunteer. Full Accommodation and all meals are provided throughout the program.



## Highlights

- Shanghai, the most safe, upbeat and vigorous city in Asia
- Program available for worldwide participants over 18 yrs
- 15 start dates throughout the year. 3 to 12 weeks flexible schedule
- Language course with leading Mandarin school in Shanghai
- Week long guided tour around Shanghai
- Full program of social and cultural activities to make friends from all over the world
- Crucial contribution to schools in rural areas
- 24/7 in country support from program coordinator



*Volunteer in China and be the change you wish to see in the world!*

## Price and Schedule

Schedule						
Start Date		Early Application	Application Deadline	Note		
Jan	07	9/07,2007	11/07, 2007	Requirement: 1 over 18 years old 2 completed secondary education 3 speak fluent English Chinese language knowledge or TEFL certification are not required, but they are definite plus and welcome		
Feb	11	10/11,2007	12/11			
Mar	10	11/10,2007	1/10			
Apr	07	12/07	2/07			
May	05	1/05	3/05			
Jun	02	2/02	4/02			
	30	2/28	4/30			
Jul	14	3/14	5/14			
	28	3/28	5/28			
Aug	11	4/11	6/11			
	25	4/25	6/25			
Sep	22	5/22	7/22			
Oct	20	6/20	8/20			
Nov	17	7/17	9/17			
Dec	22	8/22	10/22			
Price						
3 weeks	4 weeks	6 weeks	8 weeks	10 weeks	12 weeks	
\$1990/€1470	\$2190/€1615	\$2450/€1805	\$2710/€1995	\$2970/€2185	\$3230/€2375	
<b>Note: Deposit upon booking: 140USD/100EUR</b> <b>Book before early application date and save 140USD/100EUR</b>						



### Fees include

- Pre departure advice, information and support
- Airport pick-up
- Full accommodation
- All meals
- Chinese language training
- Welcome, city orientation tour, social activities
- In country transport
- On site orientation
- 24/7 in country support throughout program
- Airport drop-off

### What NOT Included

- Airfare
- Visa application
- Travel and medical insurance
- Personal transport and spending money

### About MandarinRocks

**MandarinRocks** is the leading Chinese language school based in Shanghai building on "Total Solution To Language Barriers". Over the years, we've been dedicated to provide the best Chinese language training through superior teaching resource combined with the most strict and effective quality control system anywhere in Shanghai. Bustling with students from over 50 countries, we have become the first choice for international students and local expatriate community for Chinese language learning. Our motivation comes from our passion to promote Chinese culture and image all over the globe. Quality and passion are never over-rated at MandarinRocks.



#### Course includes:

Language Study	Internship	Summer Camp	Volunteer	Summer Course
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## 2008 Volunteer Program Application

### Applicant Information

#### Personal Information

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender  Male  Female  
Nationality \_\_\_\_\_ Native language \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ (YY/MM/DD)  
Tel No. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile No. \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ (street) \_\_\_\_\_ (city) \_\_\_\_\_ (zip code) \_\_\_\_\_ (country)  
Company/School \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation/Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Website \_\_\_\_\_  
Passport Number \_\_\_\_\_

Current level of Chinese:

Total Beginner  Beginner  Elementary  Pre-intermediate  Intermediate  Advanced

#### Health Condition

Any medical conditions (Allergies, asthma, illnesses, previous injuries, disabilities)

None  Yes \_\_\_\_\_ (please specify here)

Symptoms \_\_\_\_\_ Medications \_\_\_\_\_

#### Emergency Contact

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Tel No. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile No \_\_\_\_\_

#### Do you have experience living or working in China or any other countries?

None  Yes \_\_\_\_\_

(please specify when and for how long)

Taken any programs with Mandarinrocks before?  None  Yes \_\_\_\_\_ (please specify here)

#### How did you hear of us? Please specify here

Advertisement \_\_\_\_\_  Google Search  Yahoo Search  Agent \_\_\_\_\_

Friend \_\_\_\_\_  Company \_\_\_\_\_

### Program data

#### Program you'd like to apply for

Start Date

Jan 07  Feb 11  Mar 10  Apr 07  May 05  Jun 02  Jun 30  Jul 14

Jul 28  Aug 11  Aug 25  Sep 22  Oct 20  Nov 17  Dec 22

Length  3weeks  4weeks  6weeks  8weeks  10weeks  12weeks

#### Airport Pick-up

Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_ (YY/MM/DD) Airline \_\_\_\_\_ Airport of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_

Flight No \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival Time \_\_\_\_\_

#### Payment

Bank Transfer  Credit Card (in person)  Cash (in person)

### Other Information you need us to know

#### I have read and agree with MandarinRocks' Volunteer Program Terms and Conditions

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Agent \_\_\_\_\_

# Volunteer Program Terms and Conditions

The following terms and conditions are an agreement between you and MandarinRocks

## I Application and Payment

- 1 Complete Volunteer Program Application Form and send in person, by fax or via Internet
- 2 Bookings with Application Form will be confirmed within five workdays
- 3 Deposit (140USD/100EUR) should be paid upon confirmation of bookings at least 8 weeks prior to start date
- 4 Full balance of payment should be paid upon confirmation of bookings at least 8 weeks prior to start date

## II Passport & Visas & Formalities

It is a must that participants possess valid passport, visa , medical and travel insurance throughout the program

## III General Terms

- 1 Participants must be over 18 years old, completed secondary education and speak fluent English
- 2 Program fee is all-inclusive. Participants are solely responsible for their personal transport and spending money
- 3 Participants should abide by the regulations of MandarinRocks and host school
- 4 Attendance of volunteering is mandatory unless prior agreement is given by MandarinRocks or host school

## IV Liability

By signing this agreement, you are acknowledging you waive and release all claims against MandarinRocks, its administrator, directors, counselors, agents and other staff under any theory of law or equity for any injury, loss, damage, accident, delay or expenses resulting from events beyond its control, including but not limited to forces of nature, war, act of terrorism, strikes, riots, incidents of politically-motivated violence, sickness or quarantine, government restrictions or , in the absence of its own negligence, arising from the use of any vehicle or from the selection or any act or missions of any airline, ship, railroad, bus company, taxi, hotel, restaurant, school or any other company or individual.

By signing this agreement, you authorize MandarinRocks permission at its sole discretion for emergency medical care or treatment by a physician, surgeon, hospital or medical facility in case of emergency.

MandarinRocks is responsible for providing the program as stated above. MandarinRocks reserves the right to provide comparable program in terms of activities, accommodation if the program stated cannot be provided due to unforeseeable reasons. MandarinRocks is responsible for refund if a class or program has to be cancelled due to insufficient enrolments.

## V Refund Policy

- 1 Deposit: non refundable
- 2 Others: refundable if cancellation is made six weeks or more prior to set start date
- 3 Refund will be made within thirty days. Students need to apply to agency for refund if they pay through agency

## VI Code of Conduct

Students should observe MandarinRocks' regulations and policy. Students will be removed without a refund if they engage in illegal, violent or improper behavior.