



## **APPLICATION FORMS & PROCEDURES**

We are thrilled that you are taking this next step to go abroad. Although *Cultural Embrace's* application process is simple, it is very important that we receive all your up-to-date information to secure a proper placement.

Once we receive your completed application packet, we will contact you to discuss further how your time abroad will be an experience of a lifetime! This will give us a chance to know you better so we can meet your needs. We want to be open and honest of what you should expect from our program and living abroad.

Upon receipt of your program fee, we will begin to find your placement. Please be patient with this process as it takes time to match you appropriately with your requirements. However, we are ALWAYS available for questions and comments.

Please send your completed application packet to us at:

**CULTURAL EMBRACE**  
1111 Kingsbury Street, Suite D  
Austin, TX 78703 USA

We highly recommend that you certify your packet. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at any time by email at [info@culturalembrace.com](mailto:info@culturalembrace.com) or at +1-512-469-9089.

### Work/Intern Application Checklist

- ◇ Program Application
- ◇ Signed Work/Intern Agreement
- ◇ Copy of your passport (information page only)
- ◇ University/College transcript (official please)
- ◇ Copies of diplomas or certificates related to field of interest (if applicable)
- ◇ Resume/CV
- ◇ Cover letter explaining why you think you are a good candidate for the position you are applying for
- ◇ Two letters of recommendation--professional and/or character reference
- ◇ Doctor's record verifying that you are in excellent mental and physical health
- ◇ Police background security check
- ◇ Four 1 ½" x 2" passport size photos
- ◇ Full-length photo (alone or with friends or family)
- ◇ US\$150 non-refundable deposit (credited to your program fee)

Discover the *Similarities*  
Share the *Differences...*

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## PROGRAM APPLICATION

### PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
mo/day/year

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

City State Zip (until when)

Phone Number (s): \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to be reached: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred way to contact?  Phone  Email

Passport Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Country Exp. Date

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Info: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name

Phone Email Relation to you

### PROGRAM INFORMATION:

What Cultural Embrace program are you applying for?:

Teach  Volunteer  Work/Intern  Cultural Classes

What countries/cities/areas?: \_\_\_\_\_

How long would you like to be on a program?: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Start Date?: \_\_\_\_\_

I would *prefer* to live in:

- small town/rural area     small city     large city     anywhere that needs me

If volunteer, area of interest(s): \_\_\_\_\_

If teach, level preference:

- elementary     middle/high school     university/technical

Interested in teaching subject other than English?:     Yes     No

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

*Rank in order your preferred living arrangements: (please note, this depends on each project, location & availability)*

**Housing (1 = best 4 = like least)**

- \_\_\_ Share housing with local  
\_\_\_ Share housing with another foreigner  
\_\_\_ Live with host family  
\_\_\_ Live in single accommodations  
\_\_\_ Other

**Meals (1 = best 4 = like least)**

- \_\_\_ Like to cook my own meals  
\_\_\_ Like to eat out most of the time  
\_\_\_ School/job provide meal(s)  
\_\_\_ Eat with host family  
\_\_\_ Other

Are you taking medication?     Yes     No

If yes, please list below. (Note: prescription medicine may not be available at foreign country)

\_\_\_\_\_

List any allergies or medical conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**SKILLS & EXPERIENCES:**

Do you have any background skills to the program you are participating in: (ie: ESL certified for teaching):     Yes     No    How long? \_\_\_\_\_

List any training/experience related to this program you are applying to: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you speak any foreign languages?:     Yes     No

If yes, which one(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

List any overseas work/study/travel experience: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

List your hobbies/interests: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Cultural Embrace? (please be specific): \_\_\_\_\_

Refer Friends & Family (*earn up to \$50 cash or \$100 credit towards another C.E. program*)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_



## Work/Intern Agreement

I, the undersigned (and/or my parent if I am under 18), an applicant to CULTURAL EMBRACE's Teach Program, am aware that my participation is contingent upon my understanding and agreement to the conditions listed below.

1. I agree that all the information provided in my application is true, and acknowledge that any false or misleading information may lead to immediate dismissal from the program.
2. I agree to be responsible for all fees and costs associated to the program costs, international travel, visas, health inoculations and immunizations and/or additional insurance.
3. I agree to follow the cancellation/refund policy listed below if I withdraw from the program.
4. I agree that the fees and information are correct at the time of publication, but are subject to change due to currency fluctuations and other unforeseen circumstances.
5. I understand that if a class or program is cancelled due to insufficient participation or unforeseen circumstances, I can choose another program and pay or receive the difference of the new program fee. However, if I choose to cancel, *Cultural Embrace* is responsible for reimbursing the amount of the program fee only. Refunds for application fees, transportation, health and travel document expenses are not applicable.
6. I agree that it is my responsibility to obtain a valid passport and any necessary visas, immunizations and required documents in order to enter all countries visited for this program. I shall hold *Cultural Embrace* harmless in the case where I may not obtain the necessary documents and understand that the inability to obtain the necessary documents does not constitute grounds for withdrawal with refund.
7. I understand that *Cultural Embrace* recommends placements and matches, but has no ability to make final decisions. All final placement decisions are made by the hiring institution or organization and communicated to *Cultural Embrace*.
8. I agree to communicate with my local host and program representatives, as well as *Cultural Embrace's* staff to try and resolve any questions abroad. In the event that services and accommodations outlined are not met due to causes beyond the control of *Cultural Embrace*, I understand that I will give sufficient notice and time for all efforts to be made to provide comparable services and accommodations.
9. I understand that if I choose to operate motorized vehicles, I am responsible for obtaining the necessary license, permission and insurance.
10. I agree that in the event that I do not complete the term of my contract, for any reason, *Cultural Embrace* shall not be obligated to refund any part of the program fee.
11. I understand that *Cultural Embrace* reserves the right to dismiss a participant from a program who is deemed, by *Cultural Embrace*, the host institution, or local government, to be a danger to him/herself or others. In the event of such dismissal, *Cultural Embrace* shall not be held responsible for any airfare, charges or any other expenses incurred by the participant, and shall not be required to return any fees paid by the participant.
12. I agree to waive any and all claims against *Cultural Embrace* and its agents or contractors, domestic and overseas, and any staff members, their heirs or their estate, arising from any death, injury, loss, damage, accident, delay, irregularity, or expense to person or property incurred from the use of any vehicle or service, strikes, war, weather, sickness, quarantine, terrorist acts, government restrictions or regulations, or arising from any act of omission of any airline, railroad, bus company, steamship, sightseeing, hotel or any other service or transporting company, firm, individual, or agency.
13. I also release *Cultural Embrace* and its agents, domestic and overseas, servants, employees, or contractors from any financial obligations or liabilities that I may incur or any damage or injury to me or the person or property of others that I may cause while participating in this program.
14. I agree that I am in good physical and mental health and that I have no special medical or physical conditions, nor any special needs or requirements, which would impede participation in the program. If I suffer from any health or other conditions that would create a risk for me or others while abroad, I shall not apply or withdraw from the program.
15. I agree full responsibility for reading and understanding all materials made available that relate to safety, health, legal, political, environmental, cultural and religious customs and conditions in my host country and community.

16. I agree that if I have special dietary requirements and/or food and medical allergies, I will take complete responsibility for my food and medicine intake.
17. I understand that *Cultural Embrace* is not responsible for any costs arising from the loss or theft of any of my personal property during this program.
18. I understand that all travel before, during and after the program is at my own risk.

**Program Fee Payment:**

We will invoice you a program fee upon acceptance of your phone interview. 50% of your program fee must be received within 15 days to begin processing your placement. Acceptance and confirmation of a placement will not be made until FULL payment is received. Non-receipt of payment will result in automatic withdrawal from the program and subject to cancellation and refund policy.

**Cancellation/Refund Policy:**

All program placements are guaranteed. If we cannot place you at the requested time, we will refund your program fee (minus \$150 deposit). *Cultural Embrace* is not responsible of any transportation, travel, visa, and/or health related fees that may have incurred. If cancellation of program is required, we must receive a notice in writing. Fees will be charged accordingly:

30+ days prior to program	25% of program fee
15-29 days prior to program	50% of program fee
1-14 days prior to program	75% of program fee

I certify that I have read and understood this agreement and that I accept all conditions stated for participation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Participant

*If participant is under the age of 18 years old, signature of parent/legal guardian required:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Parent/Legal Guardian