ImmerQi

Kickstart your Career!

THE ULTIMATE GUIDE TO WORK EXPERIENCE IN CHINA WITH IMMERQI
The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step.
- Lao Tzu

(Ancient Chinese philosopher and all-round smart guy)

With increasing competition for every graduate job, it can be difficult to stand out from the crowd. Our corporate internship programs across China will give you the confidence and skills to get your career off to a great start, while being able to experience one of the world's great cultures.

So grab yourself a green tea, get settled on your sofa, and we’ll guide you through the smartest decision you’re likely to make.
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I’ve had the opportunity to work on and complete 3 microservice projects in my first 2 months here. I’ve had a great time working with the small dev team producing programs/software for huge (Fortune 200) clients. There is a lot of independence, and a lot to accomplish, so it is an overall fulfilling experience.

Edward Aryee, Computer Science intern in Beijing

Did you know...
there is only 1 time zone in China
THE VALUE OF WORK EXPERIENCE

According to the National Association of College and Employers (NACE), more than **90 percent of employers view prior experiences as a key factor in hiring decisions**. These days, simply having a good degree isn’t enough - if you want to secure the best positions then it’s vital to be able to prove you stand out.

Undertaking an international internship shows prospective employers you’re able to **step out of your comfort zone, take on new challenges, and think outside the box**.

Your new-found experience, confidence and maturity will shine through in that first interview on your return home.

But of course life isn’t just about work. If you’re about to finish your studies, or have recently graduated, then no doubt you want to get out there and explore the world before making any concrete decisions about the future.

**And that’s where we can help.**

Here at ImmerQi, we’ve helped hundreds of people just like you discover our unique country, while gaining important skills at a reputable placement. We’ll find the right company for you, support you through the whole time in China, and ensure you enjoy the best your temporary new home has to offer.

5 KILLER REASONS TO DO AN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

1. **Trial your new career before you commit to it for the long term**
2. **Test-drive your knowledge and skills in a real work environment**
3. **Enhance your CV before you go for that all-important first job**
4. **Build your professional network to help you kick-start your career**
5. **Make a great impression and who knows - you could end up in a full time role!**
Company representatives stood behind candy dishes, stacks of brochures, and plastic business card boxes that said, “Cards here, please!” to the clean-cut men and women in suits who stopped by. … On the second week of my Shanghai internship, I was on a business trip in Beijing at one of the largest international nuclear industry conferences in the world.

Kara Ogawa, an engineering intern, Shanghai

AN INTERNSHIP LIKE NO OTHER

A work experience placement in ImmerQi is something you’ll never forget. You’ll return home with the confidence and skills to wow any employer, and a head full of memories to last a lifetime. Check out what Jonty had to say about his time in Shanghai...

PLACEMENTS WITH PIZAZZ

Come to China with ImmerQi and you’ll gain heaps of work experience in a fantastic company. Here’s some of our most recent (and hottest) opportunities:

MARKETING INTERN - BEIJING
Get involved in the marketing activities for an asset management group that helps expatriates living in Asia with financial decisions. This company works with a number of large high-profile organisations such as JP Morgan, Morgan Stanley and HSBC.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP INTERN - BEIJING
Work to develop partnerships with major overseas sports properties for this start-up seeking to help overseas sports organisations source sponsorship in China. This company already works with the NBA and FIFA and is growing quickly!

CONSULTANCY INTERN - SHANGHAI
Contribute to all operational aspects of this firm helping foreign companies establish a presence in China. Get involved in both research and business relationships for the company’s Fortune 500 clients.

DATA ANALYST INTERN - BEIJING
This company has created games for popular Hollywood franchises such as Marvel and Fast & Furious - you will be using your data analysis skills to help progress the business.
CHINA: THE PLACE TO BE

Ok, so now you understand why your career is going to take off after an internship. But why China?

Over the past three decades, China has risen to become one of, if not the powerful business player in the world. More and more companies are doing business with China thanks to the huge purchase potential of 1.35 billion people and steadily increasing incomes. So if you’ve worked in China, have a network and can speak some Mandarin, you’re in an enviable position.

China continues to change and grow so rapidly, that seeing and experiencing it first-hand is the only way to truly understand the unique culture and people. China also remains relatively undeveloped in terms of tourism and expats but it won’t be for long. So if you want an experience off the beaten track, that will make you stand out, the time to do so is now!

Companies across the world are looking to engage with China, and value employees with experience in China immensely. New industries and work opportunities in China are rising up faster than the skyscrapers that accommodate them. Developing a connection with China could be the smartest choice you can make right now.

British Council

At McKinsey, we are looking for people who have demonstrated leadership, and working in a context like China builds character, requires you to be a lot more entrepreneurial and forces you to innovate.

Jonathan Woetzel, Partner at McKinsey & Company

Did you know...

by 2025, China will have built 10 cities the size of New York

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INTRODUCING IMMERQI

FAMILY OWNED AND RUN
ImmerQi takes pride in caring for all our program participants like they’re our family.

24/7 SUPPORT
ImmerQi’s in-country support for participants is second to none. Our 30 staff, a mix of local Chinese and internationals, will ensure you’re in safe hands.

AWARD WINNING
We’re winners of the 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2015 ASEAN Outstanding Business Award in Education and Cultural Immersion.

CHINA EXPERTS
Headquartered in Beijing since 2005, with over 4000 alumni. We’ve seen it all!

1 - 6 MONTH PLACEMENTS
Flexibility to choose the duration that will suit your schedule, with the option to arrive any month of the year.

GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY
We’re proud to actively support a number of locally run non-government organisations (NGO’s), and we’d love for you to get involved while you are here too!
IS CHINA FOR YOU?
Of course not everyone is suited to a work experience placement in China (otherwise everyone would do it). But we think with the right attitude (and our support) you’ll be able to make a big success of your time with us.
To see if you fit the bill, try our quick quiz....

Q1. I’ve just been offered to join a project on my work placement that I have no experience in. Do you...
A. Say yes, I’ll figure it out!
B. Say no, freak out, and get the next train back to your apartment

Q2. Chopsticks - your view...
A. I might not be very good, but I’m willing to try!
B. Pah, what a waste of time! Pass me the fork.

Q3. Your colleague has just heard about a great networking event taking place across town. Do you...
A. Grab your business cards, get on the metro and get mingling!
B. Head to the local Irish bar for a few pints

Q4. You’re about to head home from work when your manager tells you that you are expected to give a presentation to the entire office in 10 minutes on the status of your project. Do you...
A. Throw a few slides together and give it your best shot
B. Panic and run away crying

Q5. You see on Facebook that your friend has just got engaged! Do you...
A. Send them a congratulations message from the top of the Great Wall
B. Get on the next flight back home to start the celebrations

Q6. You’re hanging out at the Forbidden City when a group of Chinese tourists come over and start taking photos with you. Do you...
A. Pose enthusiastically and give it your best smile
B. Shake your head and ignore them

IF YOU ANSWERED MOSTLY...
A’s You’re perfect for the programme. You’re open to new opportunities, but may need our help along the way - that’s what we’re here for.
B’s Perhaps you’d be best suited to finding work experience at home first before joining us in China?

Did you know...
the world’s first paper money was created in China over 1,400 years ago
A DAY IN THE LIFE OF AN INTERN IN CHINA

6 AM
Getting up super-early this morning, want to get energised for the day ahead. Quick spot of Tai Chi in the park with the locals, quick shower, grab some quick breakfast of street dumplings then it’s on the metro to get to work.

10 AM
Meeting with my supervisor at work. Turns out there’s an exciting new project they want me to get involved in.

4 PM
Turns out it’s someone’s last day, so the special avocado and durian cakes have made an appearance – surprisingly delicious!

8 PM
Bump into a colleague from work on my way out of class, and get immediate chance to put my new Mandarin skills into action!

10:30 PM
Short taxi home, and time to get some rest before my business trip tomorrow.

9 AM
Say hello to colleagues, then get settled in to work. Quick check of emails, then it’s onto the regular morning tasks.

MIDDAY
Lunch - yay! Order some local noodles from the Chinese food app my colleagues introduced me to, that should see me through to the end of the day.

6 PM
Finished for the day. Straight onto the bus to head to my Mandarin class. Today I’m going to learn how to order dinner!

9 PM
Wander around the Hutongs, with a quick drink and some live jazz at Modernista. This city is so beautiful in the evening, I’m so lucky to be here!
BEIJING

THE LOWDOWN

So you’ve decided an internship in China is for you. Where could you be placed? We provide exciting work experience opportunities in Beijing, Shanghai and Chengdu. Don’t know much about them, well here’s our guide to each city!

Beijing is a place of hustle and bustle, and a city we’re proud to call home. With over 11 million residents you’ll never be short of someone to practise your new Mandarin skills on.

Beijing offers a real mix of old and new. Spend time checking out the historical monuments such as the Forbidden City or Temple of Heaven, then head to some of the laidback breweries or trendy rooftop clubs in SanLiTun. Great Leap Brewery and Migas would be our first picks!

You can find out more in our Beijing guide.

“ My perfect Sunday starts with a lazy lunch of unlimited Dim Sum at the swanky Jin Yaa Tang. In the afternoon I go for a relaxing foot massage and then do my weekly food shop at SanYuanLi market. You can find anything there and it’s a great opportunity to practice Mandarin! I then meet my friends out for a nice cocktail at Revolution and some Beijing Duck at Jingzun Roast Duck. If we want a big night we often go to one of the big Chinese clubs like Sir.Teen. The loud music, acrobatic dancers, and champagne towers ensure the night is never boring! ”

Marie Pilaud, Sales and Marketing Coordinator and Beijing resident for 3 years.

Did you know...

the Chinese population uses more than 45 billion chopsticks each year.

5 must-do things in Beijing

1. Eat ‘Chuanr’ (barbecue meat skewers) sat on low plastic tables outside one of Beijing’s many local food trucks.

2. Get your chakras sorted out with some traditional Chinese acupuncture.

3. Hire a driver and go hiking on the Gubeikou section of the Great Wall – this unrestored section is completely free of tourists and has amazing views!

4. Treat yourself to an after-work cocktail at Beijing’s trendy secret bar Hidden House. You will need to figure out how to get through the bar’s hidden entrance first (psst… it’s behind the bookcase!).

Enjoy a relaxed Sunday afternoon in the Hutongs at Ramo. This tucked away gem offers boozy popsicles, vegetarian dishes and a DJ. That is a winning combination.
SHANGHAI
THE LOWDOWN

Shanghai has long established itself as China’s business capital and the city’s constant hustle and bustle reflects this. With its large expatriate community, Shanghai is certainly China’s most international city.

Stroll down Shanghai’s famous Nanjing Road to witness the full scale of the city’s fast-paced development or wander minutes outside the city centre to get a taste of the old Shanghai’s more laidback vibes. Get your seafood fix at the Tongchuan Road market and wash it all down with a fancy drink at one of the city’s beautiful rooftop bars (Kartel is our favourite!).

You can find out more in our Shanghai guide.

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The ideal Shanghai day is a breakfast of ‘baozi’ (steamed bun) or ‘youtiao’ (Chinese donut), some paddle-boating in the beautiful Zhongshan Park, a lunch of noodles, and an afternoon of relaxing at my favorite hidden café, Chonor Cafe. I normally like to get my Western food fix at dinner, often at D.O.C., a great little Italian restaurant. If I’m in a party mood I will normally head to one of Shanghai’s many mega clubs like Myst or M!NT. M!NT has an actual shark tank in the club!

Rice Li, China Internship Program Manager and Shanghai resident of 4 years

Did you know...
China has more than 1.3 billion mobile phone users

5 must-do things in Shanghai

1. Wander the maze of cobbled streets and cool boutiques of TianZiFang and be sure to stop at Kommune for China’s best hot chocolate.

2. Eat Mr Yang’s Dumplings as much as possible. This restaurant chain may seem like a fast food joint but don’t be fooled… it has some of the best and most affordable fried soup dumplings anywhere in China.

3. Spend your living allowance on cocktails at Cloud 9, one of the world’s highest bars, perched at the top of JinMao tower. Ask for a west-facing table for best views of the Bund.

4. Meet other expats and get your fix of Western food at one of Shanghai Brewery’s two locations. This Shanghai institution is one of the best places to meet other foreigners.

5. Take a day trip to Suzhou. Known as the Venice of China, this beautiful city built on canals is only a 30-minute train ride from Shanghai.
EXPLORING CHINA
THE LOWDOWN

While your internship will be keeping you pretty busy during weekdays, we definitely recommend planning a few trips around China on weekends!

Want to ascend snowcapped mountains? Keen to explore desert dunes on a camel and sleep under the stars? Or just want to relax on a white sand beach under beautiful palm trees? All of this is possible in China. It’s not just busy cities!

China is massive and has one of the most diverse landscapes in the world, so there really is so much to see and experience. There are also 56 ethnic groups in China, so you are likely to experience an entirely different culture in every place you travel to!

Not sure where to go? ImmerQi is happy to help with any travel plans or recommendations.

1. **Chengdu**: Check out the giant pandas at the Chengdu Panda Base or pay a visit to the world’s largest Buddha. Discover the area’s unique culture and spicy food in the process.

2. **Xian**: Get a glimpse of the world famous Terracotta army or get lost in Xian’s beautiful old town and try the city’s famous noodles.

3. **Guilin**: Hike through rice paddies or cruise down the Li river on a bamboo raft surrounded by hundreds of karst mountains.

4. **Inner Mongolia**: Gallop across picturesque grasslands on horseback, dine in a yurt and discover local Mongol culture, or join a camel trek to explore the vast Gobi desert.

5. **Yunnan**: Discover the province’s extraordinary diversity, from dense rainforests in the South to soaring summits steeped in Tibetan culture in the North. Yunnan is also home to the Naxi people: a matriarchal society in which women have dominant roles in business and society.
ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

We work with hundreds of local and multinational companies across a number of industries to arrange you with a placement that suits your skillset, area of study and career ambitions.

Placements can last from as little as 4 weeks, up to 6 months, with some companies providing a stipend to help you with your costs during your time in China.

All of the companies we work with have gone through an intensive vetting process to make sure they are suitable for our interns. So you know you won’t be expected to just get coffee and make photocopies!

WE OFFER EXCITING PLACEMENTS IN INDUSTRY SECTORS SUCH AS:

- Agriculture
- Architecture
- Bioscience
- Business & Consulting
- Education & Translation
- Engineering & Construction
- Finance, Accounting & Insurance
- Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals
- Hospitality
- HR & Administration
- IT
- Legal
- Manufacturing, Trade, Logistics
- Marketing & Advertising
- Media & Creative Industries
- NGO, Charities, Green Energy
- PR & Event Management
- Start-ups and Entrepreneurships

SOME UNIQUE PLACEMENTS WE HAVE FOUND IN THE PAST:

- DJ at top Chinese radio station
- Events coordinator at one of China’s best craft breweries
- Business developer for an app that lets you create your own avatar
- Research assistant at a stem cell research facility
- Presenter at an international TV channel

We also source new companies on a regular basis to ensure we always have interesting and current opportunities. Even if you are looking to intern in an obscure field, we can mobilize our China network to find an appropriate position for you.
We pride ourselves on the help we provide to our interns, from when they first express their interest in coming to China, all the way through to arriving back home after an exhilarating time in China.

There’s plenty to adjust to - a new country, new food, new accommodation, and top of this, you may be stepping into a formal workplace for the first time - and while this may seem exhilarating, it could seem a little nerve-wracking too.

Well that’s what we’re here to help with. We’re experts at helping people like you get used to your new life in China, while helping you make the most of our wonderful country.

I was always assisted by ImmerQi when I came across situations beyond my Mandarin skills, starting from operating the washing machine properly (all the labels were in Chinese characters) to yelling at Uber drivers when one of my friends forgot his phone in the car and the driver decided to keep it for himself (we got the phone back in 3 days!!!). One incident in particular was when our apartment complex had problems with water connectivity. We were given notice that there would be no hot water for an entire month. I bought this development to ImmerQi’s attention and they booked me a hotel room close to my apartment so that I could shower there. The priority on my well-being that ImmerQi displayed was what really made my time in China enjoyable.

Sha Fei, a business development intern, Beijing
PROGRAM INCLUSIONS

We’ve been helping people like you gain valuable work experience in China for as long as we can remember! As such we know our programs tick all the boxes for your time here with us. As standard, our internship programs include:

ORGANISED WORK PLACEMENT IN A REPUTABLE COMPANY
We’ll source a fantastic internship experience in one of our many partner companies.

COMFORTABLE ACCOMMODATION
You’ll stay in a furnished apartment with other interns within an hour’s travel of your placement. You can be sure there’ll be plenty to do in the area!

VISA ASSISTANCE
We’ll make sure you have everything you need to arrange your visa for your stay in China.

AIRPORT MEET AND GREET
After a lengthy flight from your home country, we’ll greet you with a friendly face and a big smile (hugs optional).

FULL ORIENTATION ON ARRIVAL
We’ll make sure you have all the key info and survival Mandarin to make the most of your time in China, both inside and outside of the workplace!

IMMERQI WELCOME PACK
Everything you need to get started. Your local SIM card will get you back in contact with home immediately, and we’ll have all the essentials like a transportation card, maps, and guides.

CITY TOUR
We’ll show you around your new home to get you excited for the next few months here!

WELCOME MEAL
Your chance to get to meet other interns, the ImmerQi team and sample the local delicacies.

DEDICATED MONTHLY EVENTS
We host regular professional, cultural or social get-togethers to give you the chance to socialise and build your network.

COMPLETION CERTIFICATE & REF. LETTER
Perfect for showing to employers in your next job!

24/7 SUPPORT
And of course, all backed up with our famous support services.
YOUR HOME FROM HOME

We know where your accommodation is important to you. After all, after a busy day at the office or wandering around the Hutongs, you’re going to need a comfortable place to digest the day’s sights and sounds.

You will have your own private bedroom in a fully furnished and equipped shared apartment. You will be living with a maximum of 1-2 other ImmerQi internship program participants.

All of our apartments are located within the city centre to minimize your commute. Bedrooms within the apartments have a lockable door with key, and are cleaned prior to arrival with new bed linen purchased. Your bills will all be taken care of and - don’t worry - there will be WIFI!

MASTERING MANDARIN

With all programs we offer the additional option for formal Mandarin lessons with an expert. We couldn’t recommend this highly enough - Mandarin skills are in huge demand, and while you are in China you may as well take the opportunity to advance your skills while you can practise with everyone around you!

Did you know...

put together in a line, all of China’s railway lines could loop around the world 2 times
PLACEMENTS THAT ARE VALUE FOR MONEY

China can be an intimidating place to navigate on your own. Organising everything that comes with an internship - accommodation, your placement, adjusting to your new life - can be difficult to organise when you have no experience of the country, and can’t speak the language! Thankfully that’s where we can help.

HAVING THE SUPPORT OF AN ORGANIZATION LIKE IMMERQI WILL:

• **Ensure you find an internship at a respectable company** – no bringing you over to China on false pretenses. You will know what to expect from your internship before you get here.

• **Ensure that your company respects their obligations towards you** – ImmerQi will make sure you are assigned tasks listed in your job description, not made to work longer than your agreed upon working hours, and given your living allowance on time.

• **Avoid accommodation issues** – ImmerQi has long-term agreements with landlords which means you get good quality accommodation at the best possible price, and can settle in as soon as you get off the plane.

• **Avoid you having to worry about anything** – we sort out all the administrative aspects of your China life so you can focus on making the most of your China experience.

To provide these services, we do charge a placement fee for your internship experience. We see this as an investment into making sure you make the most of your time in China and as a way of anticipating all the major costs up front!

To find out more about our prices, please see our placement fee information on our site.
AFTER YOUR PLACEMENT

Upon successful completion of your internship, you will receive a completion certificate and reference letter from your company. You will also have access to ImmerQi’s extensive network of alumni throughout the world should you want career advice, a chance to reminisce about China or just a friendly face in a new city!

WHAT NEXT?

- You wish to travel in China after your internship: ImmerQi is also always happy to provide participants with travel recommendations and help with any travel plans. We can help you book tickets and hostels or just give advice on the best places to check out!

- You wish to use your China internship experience to start a career back home: We are happy to help! Our ImmerQi staff can help look over your CV, write recommendations, or put you in touch with relevant people within our network.

- You wish to remain in China after the program: ImmerQi is available to provide advice and help explore post-program opportunities. You might want to join another one of our programs, do another internship, or find more permanent work. Either way, we can help look into the best options for you!
## INSPIRING INTERNS

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<td>Sabrina</td>
<td>As a recent graduate in graphic design, Sabrina was underwhelmed by her career options back home in Italy so she decided to try her luck in China. After interning at a trendy graphic design company in Beijing for 6 months, she was hired by the company to work there full-time. She has now been in China for almost a year and regularly drops in to the ImmerQi office for a catch up!</td>
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<td>Eduardo</td>
<td>Eduardo worked as a business development intern at a large Chinese automotive company. After his internship, his company asked him to set up their new office in his home country of Brazil. He now works there part-time whilst completing his engineering degree.</td>
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<td>Zhi Wei</td>
<td>Zhi Wei completed an internship in event management at a company operating one of Beijing’s top craft breweries. After she returned to Australia, she was contacted by the company and offered a full-time position. She is now back in Beijing and kept very busy by the company’s rapid expansion.</td>
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<td>Jeremy</td>
<td>Jeremy completed a Food and Beverage internship at a high-end Beijing hotel as part of his university’s required internship experience. After successfully organizing an Indonesian (his home country) food week at the hotel’s popular restaurant, he was rewarded with two job offers: one to work at the hotel’s flagship location in Hong Kong, one to help set up another hotel branch in Miami. He is still deciding which offer to choose as he finishes his studies.</td>
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<td>Matthew</td>
<td>Matt interned in marketing for a large accounting, taxation, audit and business advisory firm in Beijing. Upon returning to the UK, he was able to leverage his China experience into a co-op position with PWC. He shared with us that 90% of his interview actually revolved around his China internship experience!</td>
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I’ve procrastinated long enough and the application deadline for my intended internship start date is coming up. I fill in the online application form and I’m pleasantly surprised it only takes 30 minutes!

1-2 MONTHS

I paid my deposit and now I’m just waiting on ImmerQi to get back to me about potential placements. It could take 4-8 weeks so I’m just doing lots of research about China and trying to keep time in my schedule in case a company wishes to interview me.

3 WEEKS

Just came back from the Chinese embassy to apply for my visa. It was so busy there! Now I’m going to finally organise my flights and travel insurance and I’ll be good to go.

ARIVAL

I CAN’T BELIEVE I’M IN CHINA!
Just spotted two friendly ImmerQi faces waving a banner at arrivals at the airport.

3 MONTHS

2 1/2 MONTHS

I got accepted onto the internship program! ImmerQi contacted me within 7 days of my application for an interview, and a few days later I received my acceptance email. I have so much to plan!

BEFORE ARRIVAL

4 WEEKS

My internship placement has been confirmed! I had to interview with the company and they just seemed like such a good fit. I’m just going to pay my final program fee today before the deadline.

I WEEK

Have to say all my goodbyes and finish packing, and I need to go shopping for some work clothes. But for now I’m going on a last big night out with everyone tonight!

1 WEEK

DAY AFTER ARRIVAL

Great first day in China, I got lots of really helpful information at the ImmerQi orientation (I can spot a fake Chinese bank note now!) and got to meet some of the other interns at my welcome meal. Lots of cool people and a very international crowd!

4 WEEKS

FIRST FEW WEEKS

It’s taken me a few weeks to adapt to Chinese culture, as everything is so different here. But ImmerQi have been really supportive in answering all my questions and showing me around, and I’m starting to get the hang of this place!

HALF WAY

Time flies! Half way through already - I’m having an impact at work, participating in social and business events... I feel like I am making the most out of my internship in China!

FIRST MONTH

Survived my first networking event and it was crazy! I’ve come back with over 100 business cards, met more people than I can remember, and hopefully made some useful contacts as well.

-END OF INTERNSHIP

So proud of myself! But I have mixed feelings about leaving China already... will miss my colleagues and friends so much.

END OF INTERNSHIP
Am I eligible for the program?
The program is open to recent high school graduates prior to university enrolment, current university students, and recently graduated students. You should be a native English speaker or have an advanced level of English. If unsure, get in touch!

How many other people will there be on the program?
We have interns arriving all year round, so you’ll never be the only person in town! We deliver a variety of programs, and provide you with plenty of opportunities to meet all of our participants.

Do I need to speak Mandarin?
The biggest myth we come across! You do not need to speak Mandarin to join our program. We’ll give you all the essential language skills you need to go about your daily routine, and there are also the option to add additional Mandarin lessons to your package. At your work placement, your host company supervisor will speak English.

How far in advance should I start applying?
Naturally the earlier the better - placements are in high demand and the earlier we can source this for you, the more likely we’ll be able to meet your needs. Generally the latest you can apply is 3 months prior to arrival to give enough time to arrange your placement and visa.

What do I need to budget for?
On top of your placement fee, you also need to consider your visa, flights and insurance. We can guide you on all of this upon application.

When should I book my flights and insurance?
We recommend only booking these once your placement has been confirmed. Naturally we will keep in touch as this progresses!

What visa do I need?
We’ll guide you through the visa process and which visa you need to get. We’ll take you through this after we have confirmed your placement. All part of the service!

Do I need to open a bank account in China?
This will depend on whether you are receiving an allowance and whether the company pays this by cash or transfer. You may also wish to open a bank account for easy daily usage. It is free to open a bank account in China and our staff can help you do this!

What will my working hours be like?
This will vary from company to company but you will be made aware of these when confirming your placement. Typically, a Chinese workweek is 38-40 hours, normally 9:30-5:30 Monday to Friday with an hour lunch break.

What should I wear?
Companies will have differing dress codes, which we will make you aware of ahead of time so you know what to pack. Smart casual is usually your best bet. In any case you should be able to buy anything you are missing here in China!
WHAT NOW?

Well if you’ve made it this far, congratulations! We hope we’ve been able to answer all the key questions you may have and more.

To start the application process, we simply need to take a few details from you, and a program advisor will be in touch.

Alternatively if you would like to discuss your options further, simply get in touch with us via:

Email: cip@immerqi.com • Twitter: @immerqi • Facebook: immerqi

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO CHINA!

ImmerQi