



Teach English in
Costa Rica



COURSE FORMAT

You'll study for 160 hours over the 4 week training period. There are 10-20 hours of practicals included! It's a full time, Monday to Friday schedule from 10:30 am to 19:30 pm, taking full advantage of Playa Samara for regular beach walks between lessons.



TEACHING PRACTICES

You'll teach local Costa Ricans in the training centre, for up to 20 hours during the course. All classes are local people, who come to the training centre for free English lessons.



TYPE OF ASSESSMENT

You will be constantly observed and assessed throughout your theory and practical hours. There are essays, and a final essay and exam to complete.



COURSE LOCATION AND CENTRE

The school is in downtown Playa Samara – a fantastic location for shops, restaurants and of course, the beach.



REQUIREMENTS

To complete the TEFL course you need to be at least 18 years old (although each applicant is considered on a case by case basis). You can also be a non-native speaker of English as long as you have a level C1 or above, which will be tested during the interview. A Bachelors degree (in any discipline) is preferred, however there are plenty of TEFL jobs for non degree holders.



JOB MARKET AND EMPLOYMENT POSSIBILITY

You have lifelong job assistance, during the training you'll begin working with the team to secure your role, from week 2 onwards. There are plenty of TEFL jobs, mainly located in the Central Valley region of the country, around San Jose and Heredia mainly.



VISA REQUIREMENTS

You'll enter Costa Rica on a 90 day, visa on arrival. Following the course, your employer will assist you with renewing your visa.

WORK IN COSTA RICA

In Costa Rica the majority of jobs are found in the 'Central Valley' region of the country, in large cities such as San Jose, Heredia and Leon.

You'll be teaching in a language centre, so your working hours and days are flexible. There are opportunities to teach students from pre-school, to business English adults. Different language centres generally teach different ages. Language centre teaching generally consists of 20-25 contact teaching hours per week, with preparation and marking in your spare time.

The team begin working with you on securing your teaching job, from week 2 of the course, onwards. So you can be sure your needs and wishes are in good hands!



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Playa Samara is found on the Pacific coast of Costa Rica, in the province of Guanacaste, one of the larger provinces in the country. The region is famous for its beaches, countryside and cultural offerings. You can take surf lessons, snorkeling, diving, horseback riding and so much more.

Costa Rica is a small nation of around 5 million inhabitants, in total! It has a strong Spanish colonial history, mixed with its' neighbouring Caribbean influences, there are many different customs and cultures that have shaped modern day Costa Rica. The official language is Spanish, however there are over 5 national languages, one being Mandarin!

Over 25% of the country is protected land – reserves, wildlife parks and national parks. This is more than any other country in the world, but it's not surprising, seeing as it holds more than 500,000 different species of animals alone!

The army was disbanded back in the 1940's which really does summarise the country. Famously, it was said Costa Rica was building an army of teachers instead! The pura vida (good/pure life) cannot be found anywhere else on the planet.

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