

# Guidelines for Applying for International Student Teaching

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EducatorsAbroad (EA) offers student teaching placements (EAST) worldwide. In their partnership with JMU, they provide student teaching placements abroad, and work with students through the whole process including finding appropriate housing and providing supervision and evaluation during the placement.

Students are required to complete one block of in-state student teaching which is generally 8 weeks (depending on the program) and an EA placement which is a **minimum** of 10 weeks long.

**Please note that there are multiple steps (described below) involved in the application process for international student teaching which include:**

- Applying for student teaching through the Education Support Center
- Receiving program approval
- Applying to EAST
- Applying to the JMU Center for Global Engagement (CGE)

*It is the student's responsibility to make sure the forms are completed in a timely manner.*

**To be considered for student teaching abroad, the following criteria must be met:**

- Student academic record (3.0 or higher)
- Student record of professional dispositions
- Quality of the Student Teaching profile
- Quality of interview with Department Chair and recommendations by program faculty (The department head will seek input from all members of the program to gain an informed consensus of the request.)

### Application Process:

#### **Step I. Due by October 31<sup>st</sup> (one year prior to student teaching)**

1. Submit a student teaching (ST) application (including the ST Profile, ST Guidelines ST Application\*\*) [Student Teaching Application Instructions](#)
2. **\*\*Indicate** your interest in having an international student teaching assignment as one of your placements in the comments section of the ST application.

You will not need to apply to EA until **after** you have completed the JMU student teaching application process.

You will be contacted in November or December by the Education Support Center regarding a meeting to discuss your interest in student teaching abroad, the application process, and to answer questions.

#### **Step II. For fall placements due by January 15; for spring placements due by May 15** **(Approximately 8 months prior to student teaching)**

1. Contact the department chair for your education program for an appointment to discuss your request for an international placement.
  - Bring a copy of your Student Teaching Profile to your meeting.
  - Submit a copy of your most recent transcripts for the Department Chair:
    - a. a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 is required
    - b. an Education Coursework GPA of at least 3.0 is required

2. The department chair will need to email the Coordinator of Field Experiences at the Education Support Center with his/her approval for you to do one block of student teaching abroad.

**Please note:** The Education Support Center and Programs generally require that your first student teaching placement be completed in Virginia; however, you can negotiate to do your first placement abroad with your department chair if there are mitigating circumstances.

**Step III. For fall placements due by March 15; for spring placements due by October 15  
(Approximately 6 months prior to student teaching)**

1. Complete the [EAST Application Form](#). The process will include:
  - Creating a web page which will give you access to all of the documents
  - Completing the application
  - Submitting required documentation including: two letters of recommendation based on EA's online recommendation request form, an unofficial transcript, a criminal background check, a resume (curriculum vitae), a photo, and an autobiography. Read the directions carefully on the EA website and complete the information in its entirety.
2. Request for Institutional Approval – during the application process, you will be asked to indicate a contact who will give institutional approval. The contact will be the Coordinator of Field Experiences in the Education Support Center.

**Step IV. Immediately after applying to EA:**

1. [Fill out the CGE Student Teaching application](#).
2. EA will communicate directly with students regarding the international student teaching experience. Students **must** forward a copy of the email with placement information to the Education Support Center – including city, country, school, and grade level.

## **Estimated Costs of International Student Teaching Semester**

Below are the estimated costs for International Student Teaching.

**Please note the following:**

- Estimated JMU tuition rates and fees and the Educators Abroad fees (EA) are based on the JMU rates for the 2022-2023 academic school year. Please also refer to the [JMU Business Office tuition information](#) .
- Transportation, room and board, and miscellaneous expenses (TRM) are estimated amounts and will vary according to the cost of living in the chosen country and the student's personal spending allowance for these areas.

### **Estimated Cost Equation**

JMU Tuition & Fees + Educators Abroad Fee + Transportation + Room and Board + Miscellaneous Expenses = Estimated Cost

#### **Undergraduate- Instate**

Tuition & Fees	\$6,434
EA Fee	\$4,600
TRM	\$5,724
<b>Total Estimate</b>	<b>\$16,758</b>

#### **Undergraduate Out-of-State**

Tuition & Fees	\$15,076
EA Fee	\$4,600
TRM	\$5,724
<b>Total Estimate</b>	<b>\$25,400</b>

#### **Graduate- Instate**

Tuition* \$529 per credit hour & Fees	\$3,174-6,348
EA Fee	\$4,600
TRM	\$5,724
<b>Total Estimate</b>	<b>\$13,498-16,672</b>

#### **Graduate Out-of-State**

Tuition* \$1,251 per credit hour & Fees	\$7,506-15,012
EA Fee	\$4,600
TRM	\$5,724
<b>Total Estimate</b>	<b>\$17,830-25,336</b>

\*Tuition rates will depend upon the credit hours required by the student's education program.



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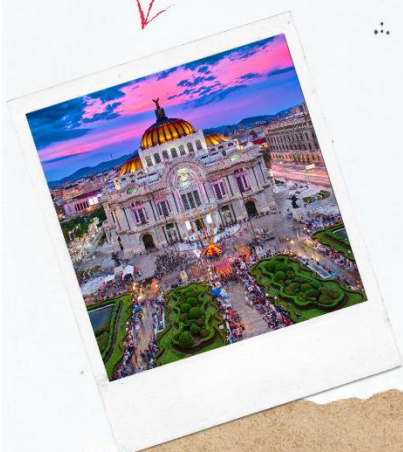
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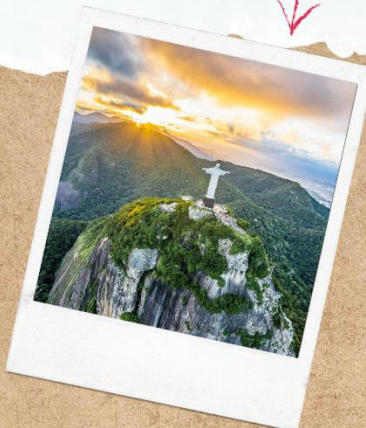
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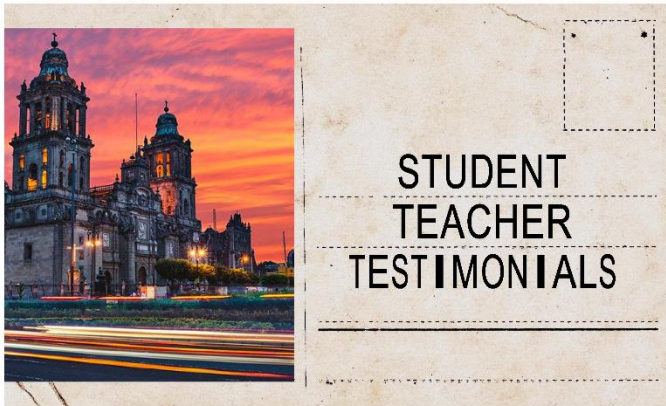
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Placement Options:  
8 to 12 weeks = \$4600  
13 to 18 weeks = \$6400  
Domestic (USA) = \$3500



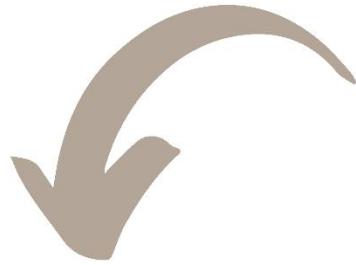




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