

Beijing

Training Tour

We are committed to ensuring every new Group Leader is fully prepared to lead an EF Educational Tour with their students. Our training tour program includes online, classroom, and experiential learning components, which are facilitated by EF staff, EF Tour Directors, and Global Education Ambassadors from across the United States. The combination of a simulated tour experience and classroom learnings will provide Group Leaders with all the tools, practice, and knowledge necessary to be confident and organized when they travel with their own students.



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6 days

Key Learnings:

- Experience international travel while considering how to navigate the airport with your group.
- Familiarize yourself with the pace of a student tour.
- Discuss safety on tour as it applies to your role as a Group Leader
- Gain a better understand of EF's worldwide presence and approach to safety
- Learn how to safely move as a large group in a major city
- Understand how to set expectations and provide structure during free time on tour
- Practice reflection exercises to connect on-tour learning with classroom lessons
- Collaborate with fellow educators and staff on EF's Learning Outcomes

Day 1 |

Fly overnight to China.

Day 2 | D

Arrive in Beijing: Welcome to Beijing, the city where Chairman Mao introduced the People's Republic of China in 1949. At the airport, you will be greeted by your Tour Director and EF staff, who will remain with you for the duration of the tour.

Welcome dinner: Become acquainted with your colleagues, experienced EF Group Leaders, and EF staff members as you enjoy a typical on-tour meal.

Day 3 | B

Training seminar one: This collaborative session offers the opportunity to hear from EF staff and experienced Group Leaders about the on-tour experience with EF.










In a panel discussion, we will review best practices surrounding safety, group management, student engagement, and various Group Leader responsibilities on tour. You'll also learn about on-tour reflection exercises, which can be brought back to your classroom.

Guided sightseeing of Beijing:

An expert local guide introduces you to the Chinese capital and its wealth of imperial monuments. See Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City, and get a close-up look at the golden-roofed Imperial Palace, one of the world's greatest architectural achievements.

Visit Summer Palace: The Long Corridor, the Temple of Buddhist Virtue, the Marble Boat, and the Seventeen-Arch Bridge are among the palace's main attractions.

What's included:

-  Full-time Tour Director with EF staff
-  Round-trip flights on major carriers
-  Hotel accommodations
-  Comfortable motorcoach
-  Breakfast, lunch, and dinner (BLD) included as specified per day
-  Sightseeing to select attractions
-  Entrances to select attractions
-  Training seminar with EF & Experienced Group Leaders
-  25 Professional Development Hours

Not included:

- Free time activities
- Select meals (see itinerary)
- Global Travel Protection
- Tips

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Itinerary continued

Day 4 | BD

School visit: Gain insight into the Chinese educational system during your visit to a local school.

Training seminar two: During this session, collaborate with new and experienced Group Leaders on different ways to ensure your students have positive physical journeys while travelling, but also meaningful personal growth. Discuss a range of important pre-tour topics, such as curricular alignment, successful recruiting strategies, student-driven learning, building your travel team, and creating a global education plan.

Free time in Beijing: Spend this afternoon immersing yourself in the culture. You may wish to go to the Silk Alley and Friendship Store, where you can find a variety of handicrafts and clothes.

Enjoy the Legend of Kung Fu show: Through a mixture of kung fu, dance, and acrobatics, this post-dinner show combines ornate costumes, vibrant set design, and gravity-defying moves.

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Visit the Temple of Heaven Park: Visit to the Temple of Heaven Park this morning, where you'll see locals enjoying their daily exercises. Completed in 1420, the complex of buildings that make up the Temple of Heaven represent the pinnacle of Ming and Qing dynasty architecture.

Guided excursion to the Great Wall of China: Travel north to Mutianyu to view one of the wonders of the world. The Great Wall's construction began in the 5th century B.C. as a defense against the Mongols. More than 300,000 people labored on it over several centuries, and it currently extends across mountains and valleys for more than 3,000 miles—perhaps only a tenth of its former length.

Peking duck farewell dinner: Celebrate your last evening in Beijing at tonight's farewell dinner, featuring the sumptuous dish that northern China is famous for: Peking duck. During this special feast, learn about the ritual preparation and savory side dishes that accompany this regional specialty.

Day 6 |

Your Tour Director will facilitate your transport to the airport, where you will check in for your return flight home.

**Please note: The order of this itinerary may vary.*



"This experience has truly given me not just the tools, but also the confidence that leading a student group requires."

-Carie H.



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