



## ‘Start Any Date’ option

### **APPLICATION PROCESS** – How it works:

**\*IT TAKES ROUGHLY 16 WEEKS TO GET TO CHINA, FROM THE DATE OF YOUR FIRST SUPPORT FEE INSTALMENT\***

**Step 1** – Apply Online (very quick & easy, takes just 60 seconds. Please do however spend about an hour on the website and thinking about your decision to apply before you do apply).

**Step 2** – You’ll be invited to a Phone Call Interview with somebody from *The China Teaching Experience* (lasts about 30 mins). On this call we will chat quite casually about the whole thing, ask you a few questions, and offer you the opportunity to ask us anything at all that may be on your mind. We will also talk you through the different **placement TYPES** available under the Start Any Date option.

**Step 3** – If the call goes well, you will soon after receive an email letting you know the good news, & asking you to pay **half** of the support fee (**£299 of £599**). You can pay it immediately, or whenever you like (2 months later etc). Please note however that your TEFL and the **16 week timescale** do not begin until you make payment of that first half of the support fee. Along with your £299, you also send us your placement **preferences** at this point (rough dates you wish to fly to China, region you’d like to be placed, type of school, etc).

**Step 4** – You begin the online TEFL course (we will send you your login credentials). You should aim to complete the 30-40 hours of TEFL in 1 month, to keep up with the 16 week timescale. If you wish to spend longer than a month however, that’s totally fine, and the additional time spent will be simply added to the 16 week timescale.

**Step 5** – We now dedicate a considerable amount of time & effort to match your **preferences**. It will take us a little bit of time to get feedback from the Chinese schools etc (usually 1-4 weeks). During this time, you are best to get started on the other elements of the application (Criminal Record Application, Legalization of documents, Vaccinations etc).

**Step 6** – We get back in touch with you and let you know where you have been accepted! You tend to get about 3 options, usually all fairly close to what you have asked for in your placement **preferences**.

**Step 7** – You choose one of the options, and we go for that! At this point, you pay the remaining £299 of your support fee. You are now also just about finishing up the other various parts of the application (Criminal Record Application, Legalization of documents, Vaccinations etc.).

**Step 8** – Your completed paperwork is now sent to your school. They will need 3- 4 weeks to turn it into VSD (Visa Supporting Documentation). This is the stuff you need to apply for a VISA in the UK.

**Step 9** – Your school sends you the VSD, and *China Teaching Experience* helps you turn that VSD into a VISA in the UK.

**Step 10** – You get your VISA in the UK, and away you go to China!

**Step 11** – You have the time of your life! Roughly 80% of our applicants decide to stay in China for at least a second year!

**If, during the application period, you decide you want to postpone your departure for China, that is totally fine. You can postpone for up to 1 year without having to pay any additional support fees.**