

CHINA Freeman Teachers Program

Experiment 2007

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DATES MEETING PLACE – SAN FRANCISCO (SFO)

JULY 19 Meet up with your group at **7:00am on July 19, 2007** at the United Airlines departure counter in the San Francisco International Airport (SFO). **Flight:** *United Airlines #889: Departs at 11:07am*

JULY 20 *Arrives in Beijing at 2:25pm*

ORIENTATION – BEIJING

JULY 20 – JULY 23 Spend your first three days acclimating to Chinese culture and Mandarin language. You and your group will explore diverse neighborhoods, sample Chinese cuisine, and get to know each other and Chinese culture during group discussions. Activities include a visit to the Forbidden City, dinner at a traditional cabaret tea-house, a trip to the Summer palace, and a Peking Duck dinner.
Accommodations: Dongfang Hotel, 11 Wanmin Road, Xuanwu District Beijing

HOMESTAYS AND TRAVEL– LUOYANG, XI'AN, and GUIZHOU PROVINCE

JULY 24 Transfer to Luoyang by train. Spend the evening exploring a night market and preparing for your first homestay. In the morning, stroll around the People's Square and join locals practicing Tai Chi.
Accommodations: New Friendship Hotel, 6 Xiyuan Road, Luoyang

JULY 25 – JULY 27 Take a bus to your homestay community of Liu Fu and prepare to meet your new Chinese family! For the next three days, you will live with a host family in this Luoyang village. The homestay allows you an opportunity to become fully immersed in the daily life of a Chinese family and community. During your homestay, you will get together with your group to participate in activities and excursions throughout the area. You might bicycle to Longmen Grottoes, visit the tomb museum outside the town, play mahjong with your family, or learn how to do Chinese calligraphy.

JULY 28 Say goodbye to your host family as you board an afternoon train to Xi'an. You will spend one night in Xi'an preparing for your second homestay.
Accommodations: Xi'an Foreign Languages University Hotel, 373 Chang'an South Road, Xi'an

JULY 29 – AUGUST 1 Meet your new homestay family in the morning to begin your four-day urban homestay in Xi'an. During this homestay, activities include a visit to the Liang Cun Yaodong cave village, trips to the market with your family, visiting the nearby Han Yan Tombs and museum, attending a Tang music performance, and an excursion to the famous Terra Cotta Warriors.

AUGUST 2 Transfer by plane to Guiyang and overnight in a hotel before your next homestay.
Accommodations: Miracle Hotel, 1 Beijing Rd, Guiyang.

AUGUST 3- AUGUST 5 Travel by bus to Xijiang Village to begin your Miao village homestay and see an evening performance in your new host community. While in the Miao village you will visit a Sunday market, practice your Chinese language skills, and take a day trip to another local minority village. Your last night will be in Kaili.
Accommodations: Guotai Hotel, 6 Beijing East Road, Kaili

DEPARTURE – SHANGHAI

AUGUST 6– AUGUST 7 Transfer back to Guiyang for an afternoon flight to Shanghai. Spend your final days in China exploring bustling Shanghai. Activities will include a visit to the Yu Yuan Gardens, time for shopping along Nanjing Road and the Bund, an acrobatics performance, and discussions about re-entry before your journey home.
Accommodations: Jinshajiang Hotel, 801 Jinshajiang Rd, Shanghai

AUGUST 8 **Flight:** *United Airlines #888 departs Shanghai at 12:25pm and arrives in San Francisco at 8:32am*

