

## International Teaching Placements 2024



Queensland, Australia



London area, UK



**Sint Maarten (Dutch side)** 



Iskandar, Malaysia



Lanciano/Desenzano, Italy

#### Notes on International Placements

Subject to availability, this opportunity is open to Year 2 teacher candidates who have successfully completed three teaching placements, and all previous courses in the Professional Years program. See the International Teaching Placement website for full eligibility criteria.

Applications are due November 15, 2023. Interviews will be held in late November/early December. Faculty Advisors and References will be contacted; marks and placement assessments will be reviewed.

Notification regarding international placement options will take place in early January 2024. Placements will be minimum two students per site; maximum numbers will vary by location/host schools.

#### Placement Timelines

International placements are 25 days in length, and will take place between late March and mid-May, 2024.

Note that due to national and school holidays, some international placements will require that you stay in the country for 7 or more weeks. For example, there is a 2-week Easter holiday in the UK that falls in the middle of placements, and in Sint Maarten, schools shut down for 2 weeks during the "Carnival" festival in April. Start and end dates for placements will vary by location.

#### **UK Teaching Placements: London area**







UK placements (in the London area) are being organized in partnership with <a href="Uteach">Uteach</a>, a UK-based placement and teaching recruitment company. Visit their website to learn of their services and/or advice for becoming a full-time teacher in the UK (which is a possibility that could result from your placement, if you are interested). Uteach will provide resources and seminars to prepare you for a placement in the London area.



#### Sint Maarten Teaching Placements







The host school for placements in St. Maarten is <u>Caribbean International Academy</u>, a Kindergarten to Grade 12 Preparatory School licensed by the Ontario Ministry. Visit their website to learn about the school, and watch a video about it.

#### Malaysia Teaching Placements







The host school for placements in Malaysia is <u>Sunway City Iskandar Puteri Campus</u>, which offers JK-Grade 5 instruction based on the Ontario curriculum, and Grades 6-12 IB (International Baccalaureate) programming.

#### **Australia Teaching Placements**

In Australia, our partner school is <u>Benowa State School</u>, located on the beautiful Gold Coast in Queensland. The school uses the Australian curriculum to teach students from "Prep" year (Kindergarten) to Grade 6. While this is a Primary school, both P/J and I/S students are eligible to apply for a placement in Australia.









#### **Italy Teaching Placements**









**NEW:** A new partnership has been established this year with <u>Canadian College Italy</u>. This is an Ontario-certified high school in Lanciano, educating both Canadian and international students (Grades 9-12). They also recently opened <u>The Garda School</u> — a private primary and middle school — in Desenzano's historic centre.

#### **Testimonials from 2023**

Read about TC's experiences in: <u>London</u> - <u>Sint Maarten</u> - <u>Malaysia</u> - <u>Australia</u>



















## **Estimated Costs for Placements: Notes**

International placements are costly, and the expenses are the responsibility of TCs. Note that costs associated with international placements may also vary, based on different factors. E.g.,

- if you have health insurance coverage under LUSU, or are covered by a parent's plan, you will not need to purchase health insurance before traveling
- food, shopping, accommodation and tourism budgets can vary greatly, depending on personal tastes and choices
- projected maximum costs for each placement are outlined on the following slides



#### **ESTIMATED COSTS: SINT MAARTEN PLACEMENT**

Airfare (return) Thunder Bay – Toronto \$300

Airfare (return) Toronto – St. Maarten \$1000

Accommodations \$3200

Food/groceries \$1500

Travel insurance varies (0-\$250)

Miscellaneous (bus pass, phone plan, \$700

souvenirs, attractions)

Total \$6700 (7 week budget)





#### **ESTIMATED COSTS: AUSTRALIA PLACEMENT**

Airfare (return) Thunder Bay – Toronto \$300

Airfare (return) Toronto to Queensland \$2800

Accommodations \$2000

Food/groceries \$1000

Travel insurance varies (0-\$250)

Miscellaneous (Blue Card, visa, bus pass, \$900

phone plan, souvenirs, attractions)

Total \$7000 (5-6 week budget)



#### Travel and Tourism

Many incredible travel and tourism opportunities can be added on to the international placements, either following the placement or during school breaks (as applicable). Individuals or groups can plan their own travel and tourism, assisted by the International Placement Coordinator.



### London

There are many options for guided tours (e.g., Harry Potter studio, Stonehenge, and Cotswolds Village) ... or take in a play at the famous Shakespeare's Globe Theatre

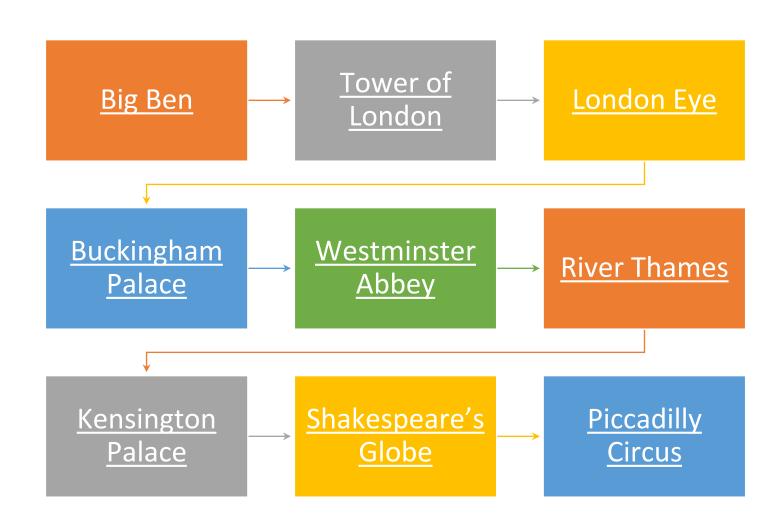








#### Other London attractions (click for information):





Sint Maarten: Explore the Dutch and French sides of the island







Sint Maarten has 37 beaches. An annual Carnival take place: the 2024 Carnival dates (and school holidays) are April 29-May 10.

#### Other Sint Maarten attractions (click for information):



PIC PARADIS TRAIL



SAILING, YACHTING AND BOAT TOURS



**CUPECOY BEACH** 



**FRONT STREET** 



MAHO BAY



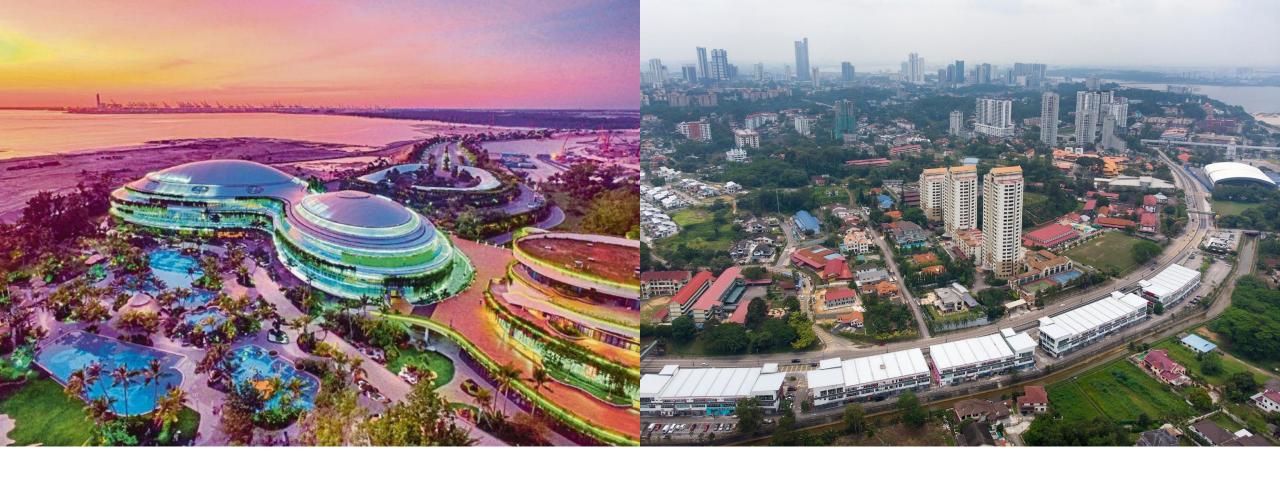
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ST. MARTIN
NATIONAL NATURE
RESERVE



**FORT LOUIS** 



## Malaysia













Top (L to R): Istana Negara palace, the Batu Caves, Penang Bottom (L to R): Gardens by the Bay (Singapore), Singapore river tour, a Malaysian food tour

# Other Malaysia attractions (click for information):



**Batu Caves and Hindu Temple** 



<u>Puteri Harbour</u>



Penang (World heritage site that is famous for its food)



Fort Margherita (1800s fort and historical museum)



**Kukup Island Johor National Park** 



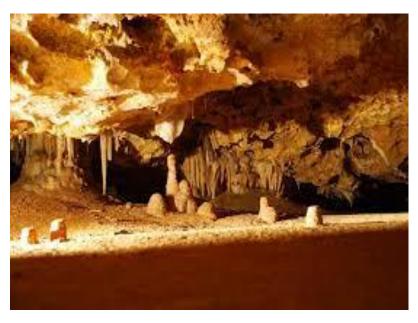
Johor LEGOLAND Park



<u>Daintree Rainforest: The world's</u> oldest tropical rainforest



The planet's largest living structure:
The Great Barrier Reef



The evolution of Australian mammals: Australian Fossil Sites

### Queensland, Australia

"Home to more than 1,000 ecosystem types and five World Heritage-listed sites, there's something altogether magical about the beauty of Queensland..."

-G'Day Australia

#### Other Queensland attractions (click for information):



LONE PINE KOALA SANCTUARY



**CARRARA MARKETS** 



**CAIRNS BOTANICAL GARDENS** 



**BURLEIGH HEADS** 



TAMBOURINE MOUNTAIN



**SKYPOINT CLIMB/OBSERVATION DECK** 



## Italy









With its incredible history (birthplace of the Roman Empire and the Renaissance), and its natural beauty, famous cuisine, and impeccable art and style, Italy is a premier travel destination.





#### Other attractions in Italy (Rome, Lanciano, & Desenzano)

10 Best Things to do in Rome

How to Travel
Rome on a Budget
(video)

Top 10 Italian
Street Foods in
Rome (video)

Travel Tips for Rome Visitors

Castello di Roccascalegna (Lanciano region) The Eucharistic

Miracle of

Lanciano

Desenzano del Garda

<u>Discover</u> Desenzano









#### Questions?



Email Dr. Jan Oakley, International Placement Coordinator joakley@lakeheadu.ca

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