



Culture Week



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📍 Vietnam - Ho Chi Minh

This action packed week combines Vietnamese culture, both contemporary and historic, through visits to historic monuments, workshops and more!

This culture week will give you an understanding of both the past and present of the fascinating city of Ho Chi Minh. During this week, you will get an insight about the customs and culture of Vietnam and get the chance to bond with other participants along the way!

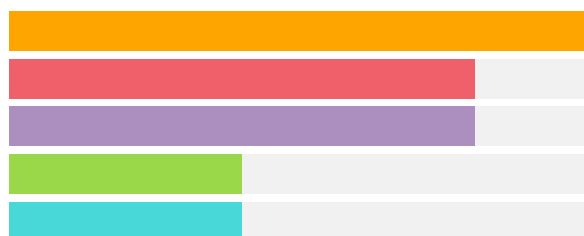
Culture

Learning

Leisure

Community Engagement

Physical Demand



Program Description

You will visit the historic monuments of Ho Chi Minh city (formerly known as Saigon) and learn everything there is to know about the 1970's Vietnam War with a visit to the War Museum and the famous Cu Chi tunnel complex.

Your sightseeing and exploring will be followed up with classes on Vietnamese customs, cooking and language to make your Vietnam experience complete!

Program Duration & Availability

Min duration (weeks): 1

Max duration (weeks): 1

Aims & Objectives

- Offer participants a deeper understanding of the local culture of Vietnam
- Transfer knowledge and understanding of the local ways of life
- Prepare you for a longer stay

Schedule

Monday

The morning starts with a meeting with our team, introduction session about projects, handling of documents and more. This is followed by Vietnamese Language lessons, Vietnamese do's and don'ts and Vietnamese Cultural lessons. Still before we lunch we will provide a tour of the campus and its surroundings where you can find facilities such as ATMs and supermarkets. The afternoon will be filled with activities with local students and more.

Tuesday

In the morning you will visit some of the most iconic places in Ho Chi Minh including the Reunification Palace (the home and workplace of the president of South Vietnam during the Vietnam War and the site of the end of the war when an Army tank crashed its gates) as well as the Notre Dame and the Centre Post Office.

This is followed by a visit to one of the most stunningly atmospheric temples in Ho Chi Minh City; Jade Emperor Pagoda. This temple consists of many halls and rooms, which are dedicated to specific deities. These rooms are stuffed with statutes of phantasmal divinities such as; "The Lord of Hell", the "Goddesses of Health and Fertility", and the "Buddha of the Future"

During the afternoon, we will visit the War Remnant Museum, a vital part of the recent history of the country. After this we will visit the always bustling Ben Thanh Market.

Wednesday

In the morning you will try your hand at cooking Vietnamese food! The afternoon consists of bracelet making, followed by a visit to the Can Cu markets which are nearby the accommodation.

Thursday

Today we will take you for a full day excursion to the most historical place in the city: the famous Cu Chi Tunnel system, which was used by soldiers as hiding spots, served as hospitals, food and weapon caches, and was even used as living quarters for many North Vietnamese fighters.

Friday

This will be the first day when we will actually go to the project site. After you get acquainted and introduced to the project you will start yourself participating on the project.

This schedule can be changed and/or amended depending on weather conditions, local conditions and unforeseen circumstances.

Starting Dates

During 2019

This program starts every week.

During 2020

This program starts every week.

Participant Criteria & Requirements

Minimum age:	-
Maximum age:	-
Minimum English level:	Basic
CRB required:	On Signup
Passport copy required:	No
Resume copy required:	No
Required qualification:	None

Additional Requirements

There are no further requirements for this program.

Additional Equipment

No specific equipment required for this program.