Student Teaching in Chiapas, Mexico

Personal Experiences from Spring 2019

Alyssa, Lidia, Mitchell, Jessica, Lexi and Alicia

Located in Tuxtla Gutierrez

Dual Language Immersion School

Private school certified with IB

American School Foundation of Chiapas
**English Language Learners**

Make what you learn in school come to life:
- Use ESL pedagogy
- Assist teachers in promoting English immersion in the classroom
- Make personal connections with students

**Learn to work with little to no resources**

- Allows you to get creative!
- “My co-teacher and I would reuse bottle caps to create word centers, toilet paper for projects, and we always reused paper.” – Alicia M.
Teaching Moments

“My class had the opportunity to go on a field trip to San Cristobal to explore several art museums while we were learning about how we express ourselves. It was amazing to be a part of this learning process and to see my students excited to learn about the many different art forms.”

-Lexi
International Connection

- Meet teachers from all over the world
- Make lifelong friends!
- Stay connected with the school as you begin your teaching career to have your students connect with international students

Potential Leadership Opportunity

“I had the opportunity to set up a new management plan in my class and put to test what I learned at school. I don’t think I would have had this experience in any other classroom. It was great practice and a safe place to try new things. I would recommend going to Mexico for anyone who wants to stretch themselves and become a more adaptable teacher.” – Jessica K.
Loving Atmosphere and Culture

“My favorite thing about the school and the students is how compassionate and loving they are. The teachers call the students “my love,” and it is very common to hug and kiss the students on their heads.” - Alyssa A.

Host Families

- Live with a family that knows little to no English
- Great way to practice your Spanish
- Be immersed into the Mexican Culture
  - “I got the opportunity to go to a wedding and my host sister's birthday party! It was so cool to experience these traditional events that they celebrate in Mexico.” - Alyssa A.
Host Families

“Before coming to Mexico, I was very nervous to live with a host family. Right away, I felt at home. I made an amazing relationship with my host family. I loved learning about Mexico through their life and experiencing the things they love.” — Mitchell A.

Chiapas is Beautiful!
It was so much fun to explore this beautiful state!

The Food!!
Don’t Miss this Opportunity!

You Will Love It!