



# MEANINGFUL TRAVEL

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# meaningful travel



## The i-to-i philosophy

We believe that travel should be beneficial to everyone involved, which is why we work closely with locally run projects and tour operators. Travel with i-to-i and you'll spend time with local people, work with locally run projects and live in locally run accommodation. You'll have a truly unique travel experience and return home knowing that you have made a real and lasting difference to the lives and futures of the friends you've made along the way.



## i-to-i Travel Experiences

There are many ways to travel with i-to-i, and we realise that everyone who travels with us is looking for something different. To make it as easy as possible for you to find your perfect trip, the icons below will give you an idea of what each trip is all about. Look out for them throughout the brochure.



### Teaching

Rewarding and fulfilling, these projects offer you the chance to work with schools and community groups in more than 20 countries worldwide.



### Sports

Working with community groups and schools, you'll share your passion for sport with the next generation.



### Work Experience

Health, media, marketing and tourism projects that are ideal for people looking for a career break or gap year.



### Conservation

Join the fight for the future of the planet by working alongside local conservation projects worldwide.



### Community Development

Caring and patient volunteers are needed to work with vital community projects that offer hope of a better future to people living in poverty.



### Tours

Combining top quality overland tours with vital environmental and humanitarian volunteer work. Truly ethical tourism.



### Building

Fun and physical building projects that make a real difference to the lives of underprivileged communities in the developing world.



# TRAVEL WITH i-to-i

## Responsible Travel

We've developed an ethical policy that guides every aspect of our business. We're committed to providing responsible travel experiences, which benefit local communities and endangered environments worldwide whilst minimising the negative effects of mass tourism.

## Supporting Local Communities

By travelling with i-to-i you'll be helping to ensure the long-term sustainability of the local projects that we work with and the communities and environments in which they operate.

We do not give direct funding to the projects we work with. Many experts believe that the constant flow of financial aid into the developing world causes an over-reliance on foreign aid and actually harms the long-term stability of local economies. It is your time and effort (rather than cold hard cash) that makes a difference. What we do is ensure that the infrastructure is in place for you to make a difference. We truly believe that by working together and forging relationships with the developing world, we can make a real and lasting difference.

## No Single Supplement

Unlike most major travel companies, we don't think that you should be penalised for choosing to travel by yourself. Travelling solo offers you the chance to reflect upon life, to make new friends and to experience travel in a way that is often impossible when travelling with friends or partners.

## A Global Support Network

We have well trained people in every country we work in to ensure that all the day-to-day realities are taken care of. We also retain the services of the world's leading crisis management consultancy, Docleaf. They have helped us to implement a global safety plan, which ensures that in the unlikely event of something going wrong, we have all the bases covered.

## Worldwide Choice

With over 500 projects and tours on 5 continents, we offer an unrivalled choice of responsible travel options. We haven't put all our projects in this brochure because it would have been the size of a phone directory and we'd have had to cut down a small forest to print it! To see our full range of products, visit our website - [www.i-to-i.com](http://www.i-to-i.com)

## Worldwide Reputation

Because of the quality of our overseas trips and the dedication of our staff, we have a worldwide reputation as the leader in our field. This excellent reputation has led to long-term partnerships with companies like Lonely Planet, STA Travel and Opodo. Because we love what we do, we are the very best at what we do, which means you can rest assured that everything that can be done has been done to ensure your overseas trip goes smoothly.

## A Travel Company run by Travellers

We know about travel because we've travelled ourselves and have years of experience helping people get out there and do it. Our Managing Director got involved in the travel

industry after leaving a well-paid job for a leading consultancy firm and travelling from Cape Town to London in a Land Rover. It took him 8 months and he hasn't stopped talking about it since. We are passionate about what we do and we truly believe that by working for i-to-i, we are doing something positive and worthwhile.

## The i-to-i Foundation

The i-to-i Foundation (Reg.1099482) is a registered charity designed to provide essential resources to projects that really need them.

In the last year alone the i-to-i foundation has made significant donations to eight of our most disadvantaged projects. These included:

- Providing educational resources to schools and learning centres across India
- The renovation and refurbishment of a medical clinic in Tanzania
- The construction of a community centre in Brazil





# ACCOMMODATION

When you travel with i-to-i, you will stay in locally run accommodation. By staying in local hotels, guesthouses and homestays, the money you pay for accommodation goes directly into the local economy, so before you've even lifted a finger you've already made an important contribution.

There are 100's of different accommodation options when travelling with us, so we can't list them all. The options below will give you a pretty good idea of the sorts of places you might stay.

Accommodation varies from place to place, so the exact details will vary depending upon location and not all the choices below are available in all destinations. But one thing remains certain... you'll receive a warm welcome wherever you lay your head.



## Homestays

We think that the best way to really get under the skin of a foreign country is to live with a local family. You'll stay in a comfortable home and get a taste of local specialities.



## Hotels and Guesthouses

The locally-owned and locally-run hotels and guesthouses we work with offer a safe and comfortable place to lay your head. They are also a great place to meet fellow travellers.



## Tented Camps and Jungle Camps

These camps are often pretty basic and offer our more adventurous travellers the chance to experience outdoor life in some truly stunning locations.



## Volunteer Houses

These places are owned and run by our in-country teams. You'll be staying in a house full of other volunteers, which makes them a great place to swap stories, make friends and start parties!



## Premier Accommodation

If you want a more comfortable and relaxing place to lay your head after a long day of making the world a better place, this may be the perfect solution. Our premier accommodation options offer things like cable TV, en-suite bathrooms and air-conditioning.



# WHAT TRIP SHOULD I CHOOSE?



## Teaching

Many of the projects we work with offer children from poor backgrounds the opportunity to attend school and gain a vital education. Full Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) training is included for all teaching trips.



## Conservation

Join the fight for the future of our environment by working with vitally important ecology and conservation projects across the planet. Projects include Orang-utan conservation in Borneo, reforestation on Mount Kenya and many more.



## Community Development

Work with community groups in some of the poorest parts of the planet. Join forces with local projects and help them grow in a sustained and manageable way. Full TEFL training included.



## Building

If you want a hands on volunteer experience our building projects may be just what your after. Projects include building community centres in the favelas of Rio and house building projects across Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean.



## Work experience

Ideal if you're looking for a constructive way to spend your gap year or career break. Use the skills you have and learn a few more. Media, Health and Journalism are available.



## Sports

Working with community groups, schools and orphanages, these trips offer you the chance to pass on your passion for sport and get a little exercise into the bargain. Projects available worldwide.



The largest and most populous country in South America, Brazil is arguably the most beautiful too. Thanks to the magnificent rainforests of the Amazon, it is home to the greatest diversity of animal and plant life on the planet and is the ideal starting point for an eco-friendly trip around South America.

But there is more to Brazil than the forests and rivers of the Amazon. It is home to the greatest street party on the planet, many of South America's finest beaches, and some of the most open and friendly people you're likely to meet anywhere on the planet. Brazil has captured the hearts of travellers for generations and as soon as you arrive, you'll understand why!

## Why Brazil needs volunteers

At the heart of many Brazilian cities lie the favelas: run-down and sometimes dangerous slums where economic migrants and their families are forced to live for lack of money and opportunity. Many of the projects we work with in Brazil operate in the favelas and have enjoyed huge success in education and community work. Despite their many problems, the favelas we work in are very friendly and hospitable places and international volunteers are welcomed with open arms and warm hearts.

## Brazil: Top Tips

➡ Think Brazil, think football. Check out a match at the cathedral of football, The Estádio do Maracanã in Rio de Janeiro.

➡ Take a trip out to Ilha Grande. A real tropical paradise and great place to kick back after the craziness of Rio.

➡ Head out to the sexy samba clubs of Rio's Lapa district. Asa Branca is usually a good place to try.

## Brazil: Top Trips

### Community Work with Young Children in Rio de Janeiro

Help shape the lives and futures of children from the favelas of Rio, by passing on your English skills.

### Teach English in Rio

Teach youngsters from the favelas of Manguera and Rochina and help them forge a future for themselves and their families.

## Build Dance and Art Centres on Brazil's Coast

You'll have the chance to get involved with much needed building work and arts activities with young children from some of Salvador's poorest communities.

## Find out more

In an attempt to save a few trees, we haven't included all our trips in this brochure. To check out the full range of projects in Brazil, visit [www.i-to-i.com/brazil](http://www.i-to-i.com/brazil)



## Community Work in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Want to work with the brightest kids on the planet? You need sunglasses in Brazil even when the sun goes down. The primary colours of the city are sandwiched between lush green jungle and golden yellow sands, and just when you think it can't get any brighter, you meet the kids on your community project. We work with a number of groups in Rio de Janeiro which all offer a wide range of support services which aim to open up educational and social opportunities. Rio being Rio, there is a great emphasis on the arts and the project provides workshops on percussion, circus skills, capoeira (a mix of martial arts and music) and even graffiti. We include our TEFL certification in the price to make sure you're fully prepared.

→ 4-12 WEEKS

FROM **\$185-**  
\$200 PER EXTRA WEEK  
**0**



### Fast facts

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#### • Project Information

**Project Duration:** Min 4 weeks - Max 12 weeks

**Project Costs:** US\$ 1850.00 for 4 weeks, US\$ 200.00 for every week thereafter

**Location of project:** Rio de Janeiro

**Arrival Airport:** Rio de Janeiro (airport code GIG)

**Activities:** Various activities including recreational activities, arts and crafts courses, dance and music workshops and teaching English

**Working Hours:** Flexible; Monday to Friday typically 10 to 15 hours per week, all other time is free

**Getting to the project:** Dependent on location; 30-45 minutes by bus (budget approximately US\$25 per week)

**Requirements:** Minimum Age 18

**Other:** Carnival week will be from February 21st to 28th 2009 and February 13th to 20th 2010, you may have some disruptions to the placement during this time

#### • What's Included

**Accommodation:** Shared room in guesthouse

**Food:** Food is not included; you will need to purchase your own food (budget approximately US\$50 per week)

**Airport Pickup:** Included on arrival date. Ask us for details if you're arriving early!

**Training:** In-country orientation and Online TEFL course

**Support:** Pre-departure helpdesk, Local in-country team and 24hr emergency support

#### • What's not included

Flights, Insurance, Visas, Return Airport transfer, Local Transport, Food

**Siobhan Walsh**  
gives this project **9/10**

'I wish I had done this sooner'



## Community Work with young children in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Need to get some colour in your life? If the bright colours don't overwhelm you when you land in Brazil then the even brighter smiles of the children certainly will. This is definitely not a country for anyone who likes the quiet life, with action at every turn! There's certainly plenty on offer on this project which uses a heady mix of dance, theatre and music to support the city's vulnerable children. Working with youngsters from a number of favelas (urban slums) your efforts will play a valuable part in helping the children on a project desperately short of resources, while allowing you to soak up the rich vibes of a pulsating city. Don't forget of course, our TEFL certification is included to make sure you're fully prepared.

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**Project Duration:** Min 4 weeks - Max 12 weeks

**Project Costs:** US\$ 1850.00 for 4 weeks, US\$ 200.00 for every week thereafter

**Location of project:** Various locations within Rio de Janeiro

**Arrival Airport:** Rio de Janeiro (airport code GIG)

**Activities:** Providing general care and assistance in looking after the children. This will involve playing games, teaching English & basic life skills

**Working Hours:** Flexible; usually Monday to Friday around 3 hours per day, all other time is free

**Getting to the project:** Dependent on location; around 10-15 minutes walk

**Requirements:** Minimum age 18

**Other:** Carnival week will be from February 21st to 28th 2009 and February 13th to 20th 2010, you may have some disruptions to the placement during this time

#### • What's Included

**Accommodation:** Shared room in guesthouse

**Food:** Food is not included; you will need to purchase your own food (budget approximately US\$50 per week)

**Airport Pickup:** Included on arrival date. Ask us for details if you're arriving early!

**Training:** In-country orientation and Online TEFL course

**Support:** Pre-departure helpdesk, Local in-country team and 24hr emergency support

#### • What's not included

Flights, Insurance, Visas, Return Airport transfer, Local Transport, Food

**Melissa D'amico**  
gives this project **10/10**

I can't articulate in words what it meant, the best I can do is "the children moved me".



## Favela renovation in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Want to help paint a town red? Competing against forest-clad mountains to the right and the cool Pacific Ocean to the left, Rio's enthusiastic residents have somehow managed to create a city beautiful enough not to let down the neighbourhood! Why not pay them a visit and help some of the poorest favelas become as bright as the rest of the city? This project mixes hands-on work renovating local buildings with attempts to educate youngsters about sexual health and the dangers of drugs. Rest assured your day will be varied, from painting, cleaning, and gardening to developing community events within the renovated public spaces. What's more, when you finish admiring your handy work you're free to explore the most exciting city on the planet.

→ 2-12 WEEKS

FROM **\$139-**  
\$200 PER EXTRA WEEK  
**0**



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#### • Project Information

**Project Duration:** Min 2 weeks - Max 12 weeks

**Project Costs:** US\$ 1390.00 for 2 weeks, US\$ 200.00 for every week thereafter

**Location of project:** Various locations within Rio de Janeiro

**Arrival Airport:** Rio de Janeiro (airport code GIG)

**Activities:** Painting, decorating and maintaining public spaces, gardening, developing awareness campaigns, organising community events

**Working Hours:** Flexible; Monday to Friday between 9am to 5pm, all other time is free

**Getting to the project:** 10 -15 minutes walk

**Requirements:** Minimum Age 18

**Other:** Carnival week will be from February 21st to 28th 2009 and February 13th to 20th 2010, you may have some disruptions to the placement during this time

#### • What's Included

**Accommodation:** Shared room in guesthouse

**Food:** Food is not included; you will need to purchase your own

food (approximately US\$50 per week)

**Airport Pickup:** Included on arrival date. Ask us for details if you're arriving early!

**Training:** In-country orientation and Online TEFL course

**Support:** Pre-departure helpdesk, Local in-country team and 24hr emergency support

#### • What's not included

Flights, Insurance, Visas, Return Airport transfer, Local Transport, Food

**Brian Carroll**  
gives this project **10/10**

Great trip worth doing.



## Teach English in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Ever thought about teaching in the City of God? This is a great opportunity to teach English in the heart of Rio's 'favela' communities. Rio is always striking but not always for the right reasons; much of its population live in inadequate housing and have no access to the opportunities we take for granted. Working with one of two organisations, you can make a real difference at a grassroots level, equipping children and adults with the language skills necessary to build better and brighter futures. The project plays an important role in helping them to find alternatives to a life of violence and crime. This is an opportunity to see not just another country but another world, and experiencing the Favellas means that the children aren't the only ones who will be getting an education.

→ 2-12 WEEKS

FROM **\$145-**  
\$200 PER EXTRA WEEK  
**0**



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#### • Project Information

**Project Duration:** Min 2 weeks - Max 12 weeks

**Project Costs:** US\$ 1450.00 for 2 weeks, US\$ 200.00 for every week thereafter

**Location of project:** Rio de Janeiro

**Arrival Airport:** Rio de Janeiro (airport code GIG)

**Activities:** Teaching English and other subjects

**Working Hours:** Flexible; Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm around 20 hours teaching per week, all other time is free

**Getting to the project:** Dependent on location; 30-45 minutes by bus (budget approximately US\$25 per week)

**Requirements:** Minimum Age 18

**Other:** Carnival week will be from February 21st to 28th 2009 and February 13th to 20th 2010, you may have some disruptions to the placement during this time

#### • What's Included

**Accommodation:** Shared room guesthouse hotel

**Food:** Food is not included; you will need to purchase your own food (budget approximately US\$50 per week)

**Airport Pickup:** Included on arrival date. Ask us for details if you're arriving early!

**Training:** In-country orientation and Online TEFL course

**Support:** Pre-departure helpdesk, Local in-country team and 24hr emergency support

#### • What's not included

Flights, Insurance, Visas, Return Airport transfer, Local Transport, Food

**Kristen Anderson**  
gives this project **8/10**

Fun and work at the same time



## Teach English on Brazil's coast (Salvador)

Can you help youngsters to a better future in Brazil? Teach English in Salvador and if you do a good job the locals may just agree to teach you to samba in return. You'll be swinging your hips all the way to the airport after leaving a city that never walks anywhere when it could just as easily dance. The high spirits and friendly disposition belie some serious problems in the town though, and it is currently the nation's unemployment capital. This project works in the poorest neighbourhoods and provides classes in English, citizenship, history of art, customer service, entrepreneurship, and computer science amongst other things. This schooling is intended to provide youngsters with the opportunity to work in the city's large tourism industry. We're sure you can make a big difference here and we will provide you with our TEFL certification to help you prepare.

→ 4-12 WEEKS

FROM **\$179-**  
\$300 PER EXTRA WEEK  
**0**



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#### • Project Information

**Project Duration:** Min 4 weeks - Max 12 weeks

**Project Costs:** US\$ 1790.00 for 4 weeks, US\$ 300.00 for every week thereafter

**Location of project:** Salvador, on the east coast of Brazil in the state of Bahia

**Arrival Airport:** Salvador (airport code SSA)

**Activities:** Teaching English and other subjects

**Working Hours:** Flexible; Monday to Friday 9am to 11am and 2pm to 4pm typically 10 to 15 hours per week, all other time is free

**Getting to the project:** Dependent on location; 30-45 minutes bus ride (budget approximately US\$20 per week)

**Requirements:** Minimum age 18

**Other:** Carnival week will be from February 21st to 28th 2009 and February 13th to 20th 2010, you may have some disruptions to the placement during this time

#### • What's Included

**Accommodation:** Shared dormitory room in hostel

**Food:** Food is not included; you will need to purchase your own food (budget approximately US\$50 per week)

**Airport Pickup:** Included on arrival date. Ask us for details if you're arriving early!

**Training:** In-country orientation and Online TEFL course

**Support:** Pre-departure helpdesk, Local in-country team and 24hr emergency support

#### • What's not included

Flights, Insurance, Visas, Return Airport transfer, Local Transport, Food



## Community work and tourism on Brazil's coast (Salvador)

Do you want to come to a party? Salvador is a riot of colour that hits you from every direction. The only thing better than the bright white smiles and exotic clothes is the constant suggestion that a full scale street party is about to break out; and things are even better once you get past the arrivals desk! Wandering around the city you'll wonder why Salvador's tourist industry needs any assistance! In fact you'd be right; it's the tourist industry itself that provides the help. This project helps children from poorer backgrounds prepare for careers in the tourist industry. As well as supporting classroom activities, you will help create teaching materials, plan and execute promotional campaigns and help to train youngsters in skills pertinent to the tourism business. We will also include our TEFL certification when you sign up to the project.

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**Location of project:** Salvador, on the east coast of Brazil in the state of Bahia

**Arrival Airport:** Salvador (airport code SSA)

**Activities:** Assisting with classroom activities, helping create and developing teaching materials, team activities and general assistance

**Working Hours:** Flexible; Monday to Friday, approximately 20 hours a week between 9am to 5pm, all other time is free

**Getting to the project:** Dependent on location; 30-45 minutes bus ride (budget approximately US\$20 per week)

**Requirements:** Minimum age 18

**Other:** Carnival week will be from February 21st to 28th 2009 and February 13th to 20th 2010, you may have some disruptions to the placement during this time

#### • What's Included

**Accommodation:** Shared dormitory room in hostel

**Food:** Food is not included; you will need to purchase your own food (budget approximately US\$50 per week)

**Airport Pickup:** Included on arrival date. Ask us for details if you're arriving early!

**Training:** In-country orientation and Online TEFL course

**Support:** Pre-departure helpdesk, Local in-country team and 24hr emergency support

#### • What's not included

Flights, Insurance, Visas, Return Airport transfer, Local Transport, Food



## Build dance and art centres on Brazil's coast (Salvador)

Have you got rhythm? Why not visit Salvador and find out? Salvador has a reputation for being the brightest and most pulsating city in Brazil, which sounds to us a bit like being the brightest part of the sun! Salvador is proud of its African roots and this is reflected in its music, dance and religion. The city is a pleasant blend of ornate churches, cobbled streets and fantastic beaches with picturesque islands just off the coast. The focus of this project is to provide opportunities to young people from poor communities and get them interested in productive activities such as dance, sport, music and creative art. With your help the new community centre will soon provide a safe place for classes and meetings and become a focal point in the community.

→ 2-12 WEEKS

FROM **\$1190**

\$300 PER EXTRA WEEK



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#### • Project Information

**Project Duration:** Min 2 weeks - Max 12 weeks

**Project Costs:** US\$ 1190.00 for 2 weeks, US\$ 300.00 for every week thereafter

**Location of project:** Salvador, on the east coast of Brazil in the state of Bahia

**Arrival Airport:** Salvador (airport code SSA)

**Activities:** Assisting the local community with all aspects of building and renovating

**Working Hours:** Flexible; Monday to Friday between 9am to 5pm, all other time is free

**Getting to the project:** Dependent on location; 30-45 minutes bus ride (budget approximately US\$20 per week)

**Requirements:** Minimum age 18

**Other:** Carnival week will be from February 21st to 28th 2009 and February 13th to 20th 2010, you may have some disruptions to the placement during this time

#### • What's Included

**Accommodation:** Shared dormitory room in hostel

**Food:** Food is not included; you will need to purchase your own food (budget approximately US\$50 per week)

**Airport Pickup:** Included on arrival date. Ask us for details if you're arriving early!

**Training:** In-country orientation

**Support:** Pre-departure helpdesk, local in-country team and 24 hour emergency support

#### • What's not included

Flights, Insurance, Visas, Return Airport transfer, Local Transport, Food

**Sile Lahiff**  
gives this project **8/10**

The people are the friendliest and nicest I've ever met!



## Join the party with carnival preparation in Rio

Do you like to party? The Rio carnival is where the world lets its hair down and now you're all invited. It's hard to imagine such a frenzy of singing and dancing, which is a great reason to go and see it for yourself! Samba and sway your way through the streets and get a view of the carnival that travellers almost never get: from the middle of it! Over the years the Samba schools have become a crucial (and colourful) part of the carnival and the dance is a great way through which to learn more about the city and its people. Activities range from designing costumes and floats to helping build the stage, with plenty of time left over to explore one of the world's most exciting cities at its vibrant best.

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\$200 PER EXTRA WEEK



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#### • Project Information

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**Project Costs:** US\$ 1450.00 for 4 weeks, US\$ 200.00 for every week thereafter

**Location of project:** Various locations within Rio de Janeiro

**Arrival Airport:** Rio de Janeiro (airport code GIG)

**Activities:** Working with the Samba Schools to decorate floats and costumes in preparation for the Carnival in February

**Working Hours:** Flexible; usually Monday to Friday 10 am to 5 pm, all other time is free

**Getting to the project:** Dependent on location; 30-45 minutes by bus (budget approximately US\$25 per week)

**Requirements:** Minimum age 18

**Other:** Carnival week will be from February 21st to 28th 2009 and February 13th to 20th 2010, you may have some disruptions to the placement during this time

#### • What's Included

**Accommodation:** Shared room in guesthouse

**Food:** Food is not included; you will need to purchase your own food (budget approximately US\$50 per week)

**Airport Pickup:** Included on arrival date. Ask us for details if you're arriving early!

**Training:** In-country orientation

**Support:** Pre-departure helpdesk, Local in-country team and 24hr emergency support

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## Sports: Work experience at a surf school in Rio

Why not travel to Rio and have it all? Brazil is a country that demands your attention and trying to decide how to fit everything in is a difficult task. This is the perfect project for those who can't make up their mind; just do it all, by combining work experience, volunteering, teaching and sport. Based on the white sands of Ipanema Beach (so good they wrote a song about it) you'll learn to surf and get involved in the community by passing on your new skills to local youngsters. There's also plenty of opportunity to test out your Portuguese on the local kids before hitting the host of cool bars lining the beach and exploring the one of the world's greatest cities.

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**Location of project:** Rio de Janeiro

**Arrival Airport:** Rio de Janeiro (airport code GIG)

**Activities:** Help with surf lessons, repairing and maintaining the boards, stretching exercises prior to hitting the surf and informal English with the children

**Working Hours:** Flexible; Mon, Tues and Thurs: 8-11am and 2-5pm typically 10 to 15 hours per week, all other time is free

**Getting to the project:** Dependent on location: approximately 45 minutes to 1 hour bus ride (budget approximately US\$25 per week)

**Requirements:** Minimum age 18

**Other:** Carnival week will be from February 21st to 28th 2009 and February 13th to 20th 2010, you may have some disruptions to the placement during this time

#### • What's Included

**Accommodation:** Shared room in guesthouse

**Food:** Food is not included; you will need to purchase your own food (budget approximately US\$50 per week)

**Airport Pickup:** Included on arrival date. Ask us for details if you're arriving early!

**Training:** In-country orientation

**Support:** Pre-departure helpdesk, Local in-country team and 24hr emergency support

#### • What's not included

Flights, Insurance, Visas, Return Airport transfer, Local Transport, Food

**Hannah Cooke**  
gives this project **9/10**

A brilliant culture shock and loads of fun.



## GROUPS: Favella renovation in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Want to go somewhere tourists never go? It's hard to imagine Rio being any brighter, but that's the intention of this project which renovates some of the poorest areas of the city while giving you the chance to work with a group of friends. The favelas are a huge sway of ramshackle houses built from whatever people can find and carved into the mountains that surround Rio. They are effectively a separate city, and are completely out of bounds to tourists... usually. Within the group you'll take on the job of renovating a number of Rio's public places through art, painting and gardening as well as developing an awareness campaign with the hope of keeping them looking smart. There will be plenty of time to enjoy the sights too, with tours to Sugar Loaf Mountain and Corcovado as well as Rio's famous beaches.

→ 1-2 WEEKS

FROM **\$194-**

**5** PER EXTRA WEEK



### Fast facts

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#### • Project Information

**Project Duration:** Min 1 week - Max 2 weeks

**Project Costs:** US\$ 1945.00 for 1 week, US\$ 750.00 for every week thereafter

**Location of project:** Rio de Janeiro

**Arrival Airport:** Rio de Janeiro (airport code GIG)

**Activities:** Painting, decorating and maintaining public spaces, gardening, developing awareness campaigns, organising community events. Activities are arranged for the weekends including a city tour and Ilha Grande excursion

**Working Hours:** Flexible; Monday to Friday typically will be 10 to 15 hours per week, all other time is free

**Transport:** 10-15 minutes walk

**Requirements:** Minimum age 16

**Other:** Carnival week will be from February 21st to 28th 2009 and February 13th to 20th 2010, you may have some disruptions to the placement during this time

#### • What's Included

**Accommodation:** Shared room in guesthouse

**Food:** Breakfast; most other meals are self-catering (budget approximately US\$50 per week)

**Airport Pickup:** Included on arrival date. Ask us for details if you're arriving early!

**Training:** In-country orientation

**Support:** Pre-departure helpdesk, local in-country team, 24hr emergency support and local team leader

#### • What's not included

Flights, insurance, Visas, Food



## WHAT'S INCLUDED

Because travelling with us is a little different from taking a traditional holiday, we thought it best to let you know what's included in the price.

### Expert Travel Advice

- Help and guidance to find the right project for you
- Inoculation and vaccination advice
- Information and advice on obtaining the right visa for your trip

### Pre-departure support

- Full project information and personal support from our travel team
- Advice on preparation and fundraising
- Free DVD 'Going Abroad with i-to-i'. This DVD is filled with information from travel safety experts, kit advisors and returned volunteers. It's the perfect preparation for your time overseas and will help ensure you have a safe and rewarding trip.

### In-country Support

- Airport pick-up (except in Australia - it's just too big)
- Full cultural orientation
- Accommodation (and meals on most projects)
- Experienced and fully trained co-ordinators
- Emergency back-up teams available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year
- Crisis response support from docleaf, the world's leading crisis response specialists

### Free TEFL Certification

All teaching and community development trips include FREE Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) training. This certificate will enable you to live and work as an English teacher in thousands of destinations worldwide.

## WHAT'S NOT

### An i-to-i Holiday Rep

We don't think that our travellers need their hands held every minute of the day, (we're guessing that you wouldn't be reading this if you wanted a package holiday). So there won't be an annoying holiday rep following you around, pointing out what you should be taking pictures of or telling you where to have lunch. Our in-country teams will be there to help you sort out your travel plans, offer a little local insight and generally make your time overseas as hassle free as possible. The rest is up to you!

### Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is compulsory when travelling with i-to-i, and we can offer comprehensive travel insurance with one of our world-class suppliers. Unlike many insurance providers this policy covers volunteer work and many adventure activities.

#### The policy covers:

- Medical insurance
- Luggage cover (low excess)
- Cancellation cover in case of medical emergency
- Flights home in case of a medical emergency

**Call one of our expert Travel Advisors for more information.**





# EARN MONEY OVERSEAS



## What is TEFL?

If you can speak and write English, then you already have the most important skills you'll need to Teach English as a Foreign Language (TEFL). Once you are fully qualified (which can take as little as two days with our weekend courses), you'll be in a position to find well paid teaching work worldwide.

You don't need any previous teaching experience; our internationally recognised courses will give you all the skills, confidence and qualifications you'll need to fund your future travels or start a new life and a lucrative career living and working overseas as an English teacher.

## The TEFL lifestyle

Teaching English abroad is one of the last truly authentic cultural adventures around. You'll experience a complete immersion into the daily life of the local community; you'll shop in the same markets, eat the same food, take the same buses and live in the same neighbourhoods... you'll be welcomed into the community as a friend and a colleague.

And you'll be making a real and lasting contribution to the lives of your students by improving their educational and career choices.

## i-toi TEFL Courses

We have been running TEFL courses for more than 12 years and in that time we have trained more than 50,000 people to teach English abroad.

Our TEFL courses are accredited by the Open and Distance Learning Council (ODLQC). The ODLQC is one of the UK's most respected accreditation bodies, so you can book with complete confidence that you're getting the best possible course at the best possible price. Because of the quality of our courses language schools the world over actively seek out i-to-i TEFL graduates for teaching jobs abroad.

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**Enrol today, start today.** Our Online TEFL course was the first of its kind and remains the most innovative and respected Online TEFL course available. All you need to become a fully qualified TEFL teacher is access to the internet and a little determination.

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- Study from anywhere on the planet
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- The original Online TEFL Course
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- Take up to 6 months to finish the course
- 8000+ job contacts when you pass

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## Weekend TEFL Courses

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### Weekend TEFL: The benefits

- Get qualified in just 2 days
- 12 years experience
- Courses worldwide
- Help finding work overseas
- 8000+ job contacts when you pass

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## The Experience

*"The i-to-i Online TEFL Course is a perfect online course for busy people aspiring to become English teachers, for those who would like to expand their professional knowledge of English teaching, and especially for those near-native or non-native speakers who would like teaching English as their profession.*

*I'm so thankful to my tutor for giving me a lot of practical suggestions for activities in the course and for being so considerate when I was beyond my course deadline."*

**Elvira Okabe**



# TEFL COURSES AND JOBS WORLDWIDE



## TEFL Jobs Abroad

### Recruiting Now!

If you're looking for a hassle free way to find well-paid teaching work overseas, look no further. i-to-i TEFL Jobs Abroad offer full training and a guaranteed teaching job overseas. Because of our excellent reputation, we will find you a job at a well respected and well-resourced language school at one of 12 destinations worldwide.

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## Specialist Certificates

Our TEFL courses will give you comprehensive training, but it can be really beneficial to hone your skills to suit the teaching position that you're looking for. Our Specialist Certificates give you the opportunity to do just that. Not only will these courses improve your skills and build your confidence, they'll help you stand out from the crowd in the competitive English teaching market.

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- Teaching English to Young Learners
- Teaching English to Large Classes
- Teaching English with Limited Resources
- Teaching Business English
- A Full Day of Lesson Planning and Teaching Practice

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## Extra Training for Volunteers

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## The i-to-i TEFL Promise

Because we know that our TEFL courses are the very best short courses available, we'll make you the following promise so that you can book with complete confidence.

1. If you find an equivalent course at a lower price, we will refund the difference plus 50%.
2. If you're not entirely satisfied after the first 7 days, we'll give you a full refund: no arguments, no hidden charges, just a cheque in the post!
3. Our experience, our high academic standards and the quality of our courses means that i-to-i TEFL certificates are recognised by 1000's of language schools worldwide.

## 10% OFF Travel with i-to-i

All TEFL graduates receive 10% off all i-to-i community development and teaching volunteer trips. These trips not only make a real and lasting difference to people lives, but they give newly qualified TEFL teachers the chance to gain invaluable experience of teaching overseas. Experienced teachers benefit from better job offers and higher wages.

Call us now for more information about volunteer teaching and community projects in more than 20 countries worldwide.

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