

# **Tra Vinh University**

Teaching Fellow Post Tra Vinh, Vietnam

### **Post Summary:**

At Tra Vinh University, fellows work with the School of Foreign Languages as an instructor for various English Language Speaking and Listening classes. Students are either the equivalent of Bachelors or Associates degree level and courses are taught in 3.5 hour blocks. Other than teaching Listening and Speaking courses, fellows work with the department on designing and implementing extracurricular activities for the students such as English Speaking Club and an annual English Language Get Together. This post also allows the fellow to take on a management role in the summer program Sports for Social Change, which brings together American, Cambodian, and Vietnamese students to learn about peace and conflict studies, women's empowerment through sport, and crosscultural communication and act as soccer coaches for children in Vietnam and Cambodia.







#### Partner:

<u>TVU</u> just celebrated its 10th anniversary as a university; it was formerly a small community college. It is the second largest university in the Mekong Delta and students primarily come from rural areas and have never had the chance to speak with a native speaker.

## **Location and Logistics:**

Tra Vinh is about 4 hours south of HCMC by bus and is a smaller city filled with tree lined boulevards and small mom and pop food stands. The area is a fascinating one as it combines ethnic Vietnamese, Khmer, and Chinese in one area and people of all religions live here. Very few foreigners pass through the city as it is a rural farming community with very few major tourist attractions. It's a quiet and simple life but people here are some of the friendliest and most welcoming you will ever meet.

#### **Housing:**

At TVU, the VIA fellow lives in accommodation provided by the University. Typically this is the guesthouse on the main campus in which all international volunteers (both short and long term) live and consists of a bedroom with a small kitchenette and a bathroom.

## **Desired Qualifications:**

Teaching experience and coaching experience in sports is preferred.