

# Succeeding in a New Culture: The International Assignment Challenge



International Assignees face a steep learning curve when relocating to a new country. Our one-on-one workshop provides a deeply personalized roadmap and toolkit for success. Participants gain a comprehensive understanding of the destination country's culture and business practices along with strategies to make the best first impressions. A proven blend of self-guided learning via CultureWizard and instructor-led training enables expats to and achieve levels of productivity to thrive.

## **LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

- Ensure successful international assignment through deep understanding of the destination country's culture
- Develop strategies to manage business and social interactions in the new country
- Prepare for potential adjustment and cross-cultural challenges by leveraging the Intercultural Awareness Model (ICAM) and the Culture Calculator self-assessment
- Plan ways to minimize culture shock and adjust to life in new country
- Discuss corporate culture in a cross-national context

## AUDIENCE:

International assignees relocating to a new country for any length of time.

## MAXIMUM CLASS SIZE:

International assignee + partner or spouse

## **DELIVERY OPTIONS:**

- PowerLearn: 2 Virtual Sessions (Part I: 45 minutes, Part II: 90 minutes)
- Half-day (3 4 hours)
- Full-day (6 7 hours)
- · Two-days

## **CULTUREWIZARD PRE-WORK:**

#### Culture Calculator Self-Assessment

» Participants discover their personal cultural background across eight dimensions of culture and learn how to bridge unique cultural gaps with over 155 countries.

## **CULTUREWIZARD POST-WORK:**

#### Self-Assessment for Global Endeavors (SAGE)

» This unique self-assessment for international assignees (and their spouses / partners) evaluates their strengths and challenges vis-à-vis a successful expat experience. The results examine the individual's behaviors and preferences as they relate to the unique challenges of living and working abroad

#### International Move Scheduler

» This handy tool allows assignees and their families to create customized schedules that organize the dozens of personal and professional tasks to complete in preparation for international relocation.

#### Adjustment Cycle Wizard

» A brief video course explaining the adjustment process and culture shock along with strategies to mitigate the negative impacts of international relocation.

### · WorkingWith [Country] Series

» This series of video courses present a dynamic picture of a country's core cultural values, how they impact the workplace and strategies for success.

#### Country Profiles

» Read profiles on over 155 countries to learn about a country's specific business values and suggested strategies on a wide variety of topics like negotiation, management style, meeting essentials and communication.

#### CultureWizard App

» Use your smartphone to call up critical insights from over 155 Country Profiles, your personal cultural profile and a wealth of knowledge from our extensive Media Library.

## **TESTIMONIAL:**

- 66 The program was very helpful in understanding the relationship between Western and Chinese culture and how to dispel pre-conceived notions and be more open minded in assimilating into life in Shanghai.
  - Sophia, Expat, Entertainment