

# Assistant Army Attaché, Beijing

**Duty Description:** Joint Duty assignment at DOD level. Represents the U.S. Army and Department of Defense to the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA), the Chinese government, foreign military attaches, and the U.S. Embassy Country Team. Comprehensively assesses and reports on Chinese military and political-military plans, programs, foreign relations, strategy, doctrine, and leadership to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Staff, the Army Staff, U.S. Pacific Command, the Defense Intelligence Agency, and the U.S. Embassy in China. Represents the Army and DOD in bilateral negotiations and exchanges with China. Supervises the coordination and planning of all U.S. military exchanges with China. Organizes and escorts delegations of senior defense and military officials between the U.S. and China. Develops and oversees training for all DAO Beijing attaches. Directly leads U.S. Army Foreign Area Officer (FAO) In-Region Training in China.

**Rank:** MAJ/LTC

**AOC:** 48F

**Nominative:** Yes

**Language utilized:** Chinese

**Location:** Beijing

**Housing:** Embassy leased and owned housing with apartments downtown, close to the embassy, and larger suburban homes further away. Over 30 private and international schools located close to all housing units with busing available. Schools offer Chinese language classes, with many offering dual-language instruction. Preschool in Beijing is very expensive, with costs easily exceeding \$10,000 per year.

**Rater:** Army Attaché, COL

**Senior Rater:** Director, DAS (SES-2)