The Global Undergraduate Exchange Program is a fully funded academic and cultural exchange program designed to increase participants’ knowledge and global connectivity. Global UGRAD participants come from 60+ countries and study for a semester at universities across the United States. After the program, participants are higher-achieving students, stronger leaders, and more actively engaged in their communities.

What Students Gain from Global UGRAD
Leadership Skills | Intercultural Understanding | Networking Opportunities
Professional Development | Exchange Experience | New Friendships | Community Service

Since 2008, World Learning has facilitated the placement of more than 2,500 Global UGRAD students at colleges and universities across the United States. Students participate in one semester of non-degree study and leave the U.S. with the tools to become leaders in their professions and home communities. They also receive access to grants and professional development resources available only to alumni of U.S. Department of State exchange programs.

Undergraduate students from all fields of study are encouraged to apply. The program is open to all, regardless of gender, religion, sexual orientation, or disability.

Application Deadline: January 6, 2022
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ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Be at least 18 years old at the time of the program’s start.
- Be enrolled as a full time undergraduate student.
- Have completed at least one semester of college by August 2022.
- Have at least one semester remaining upon program end.
- Familiarity with the English language.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

November 1, 2021
Application opens at worldlearning.org/ugrad.

January 6, 2022
Application closes.

January 6–February 28, 2022
U.S. Embassies and Fulbright Commissions review applications and select semi-finalists.

March 1–April 30, 2022
Semi-finalists are interviewed and take the TOEFL exam.

April 22, 2022
Finalists and alternates notified of application decisions.

“My biggest take away from this program is that I learned to co-exist with people from different continents, sharing our ideology and perspectives and living in a harmonious community where people could live in peace and overcome conflicts with unity.”

—2019–2020 Global UGRAD Participant

“The Global UGRAD Program has allowed me to believe more in myself and allowed me to meet people that have had a tremendous impact in my life.”

—2016–2017 Global UGRAD Participant

“This experience in the U.S. helped me to understand the different cultures in the world and also to value them as equal.”

—2016–2017 Global UGRAD Participant