GLOBAL SEMINAR DESCRIPTION



What is a Global Seminar?

Global Seminars are two-week, global experiences that typically occur in the j-term, maymester, and summer break time frames. Think of them as a shorter version of a study abroad semester. A typical Global Seminar has 6 - 15 students and 2 professors/instructors.

How do they work?

Global Seminars typically follow a 2+2 model. This means students enroll in a 2-credit preparatory course in the semester prior to the travel experience and then register for the 2-credit travel experience itself during the semester break. In most cases, taking 2 credits during the semester minimizes additional credit payment and fees thereby lowering the overall cost. It's basically getting a 4 credit class for the cost of a 2 credit course.

Global Seminars almost always satisfy a core requirement and, if it is an Honors Global Seminar, satisfies an Honors course requirement.

How much do Global Seminars cost? What are the student costs?

Costs vary depending on the location and the time spent abroad. Student costs are typically the following:

- Program fee: Includes in-country lodging, excursions, entrance fees, travel insurance, transportation, and some meals
- Flight and passport fees
- Credit fee: Students are responsible for paying the 2 credit course fee during the j-term, maymester, or summer
- Personal item expenditures: in-country souvenirs, some meals, etc.

How do I register for a Global Seminar?

All Global Seminar initial registration is done through the Study Abroad website. Interested students register for the Global Seminar of their choice and submit a down payment. Once approved for participation, students will be automatically enrolled in the preparatory 2 credit course and begin to receive program updates from both the Study Abroad office and the seminar instructors.

How is a Global Seminar counted in Degreeworks?

Following completion of the Global Seminar, a representative from the Registrar's Office will assign core credit to the travel portion of the seminar. If it's an Honors Global Seminar, both the core area and Honors required course area will be updated. This process may take some time to be completed. Feel free to contact the Registrar's Office or Honors office with questions and requests.