

GLOBAL UGRAD

An opportunity to host emerging leaders from nearly 60 countries around the world.



Benefits of Hosting Global UGRAD Participants



Invest in the **FUTURE**

Global UGRAD students are excellent cultural ambassadors. Participants, many of whom come from underrepresented countries and regions, share their diverse perspectives in U.S. classrooms.



Connect with the **WORLD**

These high caliber students are selected through a competitive U.S. Embassy-run application process. Prior to arrival, they participate in an intensive, virtual, skills-development course that carries through their academic term to prepare and further engage them during the exchange experience.



Train global **LEADERS**

Participants are actively engaged on and off-campus. They participate in community service, cultural enrichment activities, and other skills-building activities.

The Global Undergraduate Exchange Program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State with funding provided by the U.S. Government and administered by World Learning. It is a semester-long, non-degree exchange program for young leaders from around the globe to learn about college life in the United States.

While at their host institutions, participants explore core U.S. values and culture, share their own cultures and unique perspectives in American classrooms, and strengthen their leadership and professional skills. Many participants create long-lasting connections with Americans and leave the U.S. with a more nuanced understanding of their field of study, community service, and themselves.



What We Seek in Global UGRAD Host Institutions

- High-quality academic programs that match participants' needs including English language support, superior international student support, and personalized attention for Global UGRAD students.
- Ability to provide significant cost-share and good educational value for overall cost.
- Availability of on-campus housing with U.S. student roommates, and options for single-gender living and substance-free living spaces.
- Access to comprehensive meal plans with provisions to accommodate participants' dietary needs.
- Campus connection to the larger community.

World Learning manages and monitors all aspects of the students' academic progress, cultural integration, and J-1 visas, including issuing DS-2019s. Additionally, World Learning provides participants with tuition and fees, campus housing, a meal plan, and a modest monthly stipend. Since 2008, World Learning has placed and monitored more than 2,000 Global UGRAD participants in diverse colleges and universities.

“My Global UGRAD roommate from Zimbabwe was one of the most extraordinary women I was fortunate enough to meet. Not only did she open my eyes to her own unique culture, she also introduced me to many of the other international students who I now see as family. This experience has inspired me to engage in a study abroad program myself.”
— Elizabeth, student at Carroll College



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