



***“A global perspective is the capacity and predisposition for a person to think with complexity taking into account multiple perspectives, to form a unique sense of self that is value based and authentic, and to relate to others with respect and openness especially with those who are not like her.”***

***-GPC Alumni, Class of 2015***

## Why pursue the GPC?

- As society, political systems, and economies become interrelated global systems, the need for global awareness is increasingly important.
- Students, regardless of academic and social background, need international awareness and experience to be successful members in our global society.
- Many businesses, graduate schools, and organizations give priority to applicants who have significant international and foreign language experience.
- Knowledge of global cultures is personally fulfilling, giving way to new perspectives, international contacts, and even lifelong friends.

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## Requirements

### **International Experience**

This could include study abroad, international internships, overseas volunteer programs, research abroad, or being an international student in the U.S. The international experience must be completed while students are in college.

### **Service Activities**

GPC participants are required to complete at least 10 hours of volunteer work. Service activities must have an international focus and can be carried out in either the United States or internationally. Sample Community Service Opportunities:

- Alternative Spring Break (ASB)
- International Friendship Program
- VOLAR Participation

### **Foreign Language Courses**

At least 1 foreign language course above the students departmental requirement. No additional course above the departmental requirement is required for foreign language majors, or for students in departments requiring language courses at the 300 level.

### **Additional Courses**

4 additional courses with strong international emphases chosen from 3 different categories European and Eurasian Studies; African, Asian and Latin American Studies; and Modern Global Issues. Courses used to fulfill certificate requirements may simultaneously apply to general education, major or minor requirements.

### **Co-Curricular Activities**

GPC Participants must engage in co-curricular activities that have an international focus. Co-curricular activities counted toward the certificate must be carried out in the United States. Activities are awarded based on a point value with 30 points needed to receive the certificate. 1 hour is worth roughly 1 point, with 10 points awarded to semester-long commitments for certain activities

### **Final Project**

Students will have a choice of completing an essay (5 page minimum), poster, PowerPoint presentation, physical display, website, video or combination of media depicting their Global Experience. After approval, some form of the project must be presented or made available to the public.

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