

**Application**

TEST PROGRAM

Summer 2026: May 2026 - Jul 2026

Deadline: Mar 6, 2026 at 5:00 PM EST

Current Status:

Incomplete

Traveler Form

A red asterisk (*) indicates a required field. You won't be able to Submit if any required fields are left blank. Click Save (top-right) periodically to avoid losing your progress & finish later if needed, but don't forget to click Submit before the deadline.

Application Process

Complete all required fields in this form and click Submit before the deadline:
FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2026 AT 5:00 PM (ET)

Your spot on a program is not guaranteed until USG Goes Global confirms...

1. **Home institution approval.** You'll send a digital request for approval directly in this form by entering the correct email address for your [Institutional Representative](#) below.
2. **Nonrefundable \$300 initial program fee payment.** This amount is not an additional fee - it is applied toward your total program cost as your first payment. Refer to the [program page](#) *Cost & Funding* tab for details about program costs and payments.

Your application status will be updated to **Committed** (Accepted) once you've been officially added to the program.

Applications are processed on a rolling basis, and acceptance is granted on a first-come, first-served basis according to the timestamp of initial payments on complete applications. USG Goes Global does not reserve spots for programs or courses. Students who sign up after a program is full are added to a waitlist until a spot opens up. Waitlisted students also have the option to transfer their existing application and deposit to any other USGG program with space available.

If you have any questions about USG Goes Global or the application process, please contact:

Cassie Danekes, Program Manager
Email: cassie.danekes@usg.edu or global@usg.edu
Phone: (404) 962-3192
[Schedule Virtual Advising Appointment](#)

Traveler Information**Email Address ***

global@usg.edu

236 Characters Remaining

Email Type *Is this your **student email address**? Yes No**Last Name ***

Enter Last Name

250 Characters Remaining

First Name *

Enter First Name

250 Characters Remaining

Save your application if you want to continue working on it later.

Tip: Save periodically to avoid losing your progress, and don't forget to click Submit before the deadline.

Your Email Address, Last Name, First Name and any other information you provided when you set up your Via TRM account will populate automatically.

A red asterisk (*) indicates a required field. You won't be able to Submit if any required fields are left blank.

Preferred First Name *

235 Characters Remaining

Middle Name

250 Characters Remaining

Pronouns

250 Characters Remaining

Student ID # *

250 Characters Remaining

Phone *

239 Characters Remaining

Contact Methods *How do you prefer to be contacted at this number? *Select all that apply*

Options

- Voice Call
- Text Message (SMS/MMS, iMessage, Google Messages)
- WhatsApp
- Email

Phone Abroad *Can USG Goes Global reach you at this number in case of an emergency **while you're abroad?** Yes No**Secondary Email Address**

250 Characters Remaining

Current Mailing Address *

Street, City, State, Zip Code

Permanent Mailing Address *Is your **permanent mailing address** DIFFERENT than your current mailing address? Yes No**Date of Birth *** **Sex ***

(as listed on passport)

Race *

Ethnicity *

Select Ethnicity

▼

Countries of Citizenship *

Select Countries of Citizenship

▼

Passport Status *

Do you currently have a valid passport? Your passport should be valid for at least 6 months after your expected return from travel.

Yes

No

Veteran

Select Veteran

▼

Home Institution Approval

Home Institution *

Please select your home institution.

Select Home Institution

▼

Submit Request for Home Institution Approval *

Before submitting the request...

- [CLICK HERE FOR YOUR INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVE'S CONTACT INFO](#)
- Notify your Institutional Representative that you're applying for a USG Goes Global study abroad program.
- Find out your home institution's requirements for approval, which may include additional forms or a separate application through your study abroad office.
- Confirm how the courses you're planning to take will fit into your degree. Your home institution determines the academic credit you can earn for USG Goes Global courses, and the course equivalents may differ from the instructor's and vary from student to student.
- You cannot participate on a USG Goes Global program without home institution approval, so be sure to complete the requirements of both USG Goes Global AND your institution to sign up!

Instructions

1. Enter the email address of your Institutional Representative
2. Click Send
3. Double-check that you've entered the correct email address, which should match the one listed for your institution on [the website](#) (failure to submit your request to the correct email address will significantly delay your application review)
4. Click Send Request

You will receive an email from Via TRM once your Institutional Representative has submitted their recommendation. A confirmation will also appear under the request section in your application form (marked as "Completed on..."). You can return to your application in Via TRM at any time to check the status of your home institution approval request.

Recommender's Email

Enter recommender's email

Send

Major *

Select Major

250 Characters Remaining

Minor

Select Minor

250 Characters Remaining

Year in School *

Other

▼

Anticipated Graduation Year *

Select Anticipated Graduation Year

▼

To submit your request for Home Institution Approval, enter your **Institutional Representative's email address exactly as it appears on the website** and click Send.

- Once submitted, a timestamp will appear under the request section in your application form ("Submitted on...")
- You can return to your application in Via TRM at any time to check the status of your home institution approval request. The timestamp will update automatically when your Institutional Representative submits their recommendation ("Completed on...").

Program Costs

Before you sign up for a USG Goes Global program, there are 3 main costs you should be prepared for... **the program fee, tuition, and airfare.**

(1) PROGRAM FEE

Paid directly to USG Goes Global in Via TRM to cover your participation costs like housing, field trips, & other included costs listed on the program page.

Your program fee is due in 4 installments, but you can pay in full early to receive a 10% discount. Details below.

- **An initial payment of \$300 is required to be considered for a spot in the program, and due with your application.** This amount is not an additional fee – it's applied to your program fee as your first payment.

Your remaining installments (Payments 2-4) must be paid in the payment forms added to your account after acceptance by the due dates.

- **Payment 2 Due March 20**
- **Payment 3 Due April 10**
- **Payment 4 Due April 24**

Refer to the *Cost & Funding* tab on each program page. [add link]

(2) TUITION

Paid to your home institution at the USGG rate of \$199 per credit hour, the same way you normally pay tuition. Or to the University of West Georgia if you're participating as a UWG transient student.

(3) AIRFARE

All participants are responsible for booking their own flights to/from the program. You'll get instructions and a recommendation from USG Goes Global, but you otherwise have the flexibility to book your preferred flights. Consider booking through a student airfare program like ScholarTrip or BYOjet (not affiliated with USG Goes Global) for special discounts and payment plan options.

Financial Aid & Scholarships: You can use financial aid and scholarships to help cover all of your study abroad costs!

[>> Financial Aid, Scholarships, and Other Funding](#)

Please note that financial aid/scholarship funds cannot be transferred from your institution to USG Goes Global, so you must have access to those funds yourself by the payment deadlines in order to use them for your program fees.

*If you're planning to use financial aid or scholarship money that won't be disbursed to you until after USGG deadlines, you must request approval for a payment deferral from USG Goes Global **before the application deadline** and sign a payment agreement before any payments can be deferred or extended. This option is only available on a limited, first-come, first-served basis.*

Other Costs: Be prepared for other costs too like optional add-ons, meals that aren't included, souvenirs or comfort items, passport fees, etc. Check the program page for included/not included costs, and ask us how much to budget if you're not sure. Blogs and social media can be a great start for travel budgeting tips!

*** EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT ***

You'll receive a 10% discount and priority acceptance if you pay the program fee in full at sign up OR before February 1st.

To pay early for the discount now, change the \$300 to your full program fee amount after clicking **Make a Payment** for the Initial Payment below.

If you're not ready to pay early for the discount now, you must still pay the \$300 Initial Payment to submit your signup form by the deadline, but you can use the **Early Payment Form** on your Via TRM account to pay the remaining amount in full any time **before February 1st**. To access the form:

1. Save this application form, and then click **Go to my Programs** (top-left)
2. Scroll down to **My Forms**, and select the **Early Payment Form** (you may need to click View Details next to your program) [Video: Step-by-step instructions](#)

***Total amount must be paid in full before February for the discount to apply. If you don't wish to pay early, regular program fee payments will be collected in Forms added to your account after acceptance.**

Priority Acceptance: Institution approval and a completed sign up form are still required for acceptance, but your early payment saves your spot on the program.

Initial Program Fee Payment (1 of 4) *

The initial payment is **NONREFUNDABLE** and serves as your commitment to pay the remaining balance of the program fee by the posted deadlines. **By submitting this payment, you are agreeing to pay the full program fee** so that USG Goes Global can begin making arrangements for your participation abroad.

After clicking **Make a Payment**, you will be redirected to an external payment portal operated by the University of West Georgia to complete payment.

- **10% Early Payment Discount** If you're ready to pay early for the 10% discount now, change the \$300 to your full program fee amount on the next screen.

Note: TouchNet®, the third-party payment processor used to collect USGG payments, charges a non-refundable service fee for all card payments. ACH payments are also accepted with no additional fee to the payor unless the payment is returned.

Total Due:	Status:
\$ 300.00 USD	
Make a Payment	

After submitting a payment, please save your application to see your updated payment status.

To pay early for the discount, change the \$300 to your full program fee amount on the next screen.

If you're not ready to pay early for the discount now, you must still pay the \$300 Initial Payment to submit your application form, but you can use the *Early Payment Form* on your Via TRM account to pay the remaining amount in full any time before February 1st.

Course Requirement

All USG Goes Global participants are expected to enroll in **TWO courses** for a total of six credit hours. Find all course options on the *Academics* tab of the program page and refer to the syllabus for details about each course.

If you're not sure which courses to take, please contact your Institutional Representative, USG Goes Global, or your Program Director.

You will officially sign up for courses in the Course Form after acceptance and register for the classes you select through your home institution.

[\[link to course list with syllabi\]](#)

Course 1 of 2 *

Please copy & paste the course title from the program page for **Course 1 of 2** you're planning to take. This is only to determine how much interest there is in each course and does not guarantee a seat in the courses.

You will officially sign up for courses in the Course Form *after acceptance*.

Course 2 of 2 *

Please copy & paste the course title from the program page for **Course 2 of 2** you're planning to take. This is only to determine how much interest there is in each course and does not guarantee a seat in the courses.

You will officially sign up for courses in the Course Form *after acceptance*.

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Emergency Contact Information

Please provide the following information for your **Primary Emergency Contact**. You'll be able to provide additional contacts after acceptance.

Full Name *

Relationship *

15 Characters Remaining

Phone Number *

Email Address *

Enter Email Address

Mailing Address *

(Street, City, State, Zip Code)

Enter Mailing Address

Do you give USG Goes Global permission to discuss information related to your participation in a USG Goes Global study abroad program with this emergency contact and relinquish your right to privacy under the Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) in conjunction with your study abroad program? *

Yes

No

Acknowledgements & Agreements

GDPR Consent *

USG Goes Global Consent for the Collection and Processing of Special Categories of Sensitive Personal Data from the European Union

1. Pursuant to the European Union General Data Protection Regulation (EU GDPR), the University System of Georgia including its USG Goes Global program (USG), in its capacity as a data controller under the EU GDPR, must obtain your explicit, affirmative consent before it can collect or process any special categories of sensitive personal data for a lawful basis, including, but not limited to, employment, admission and enrollment, study abroad, internship abroad, online education, etc. For information on how USG uses data, please review the Data Privacy Policy and Legal Notice at <https://www.usg.edu/policies/dataprivacy>.
2. Special categories of sensitive personal data include racial or ethnic origin; political opinions; religious or philosophical beliefs; trade union membership; genetic, biometric data; health data; or data concerning a person's sex life or sexual orientation.
3. Any special categories of sensitive personal data that are collected from you during your participation in USG Goes Global programs will be for the sole purpose of planning and organization of USG study abroad programs in the EU, and performance of academic services in connection therewith and is necessary for that purpose. This may include processing the special categories of sensitive personal data as required to execute contractual obligations in connection with the previously described purpose and compliance with applicable laws, to execute the obligations to you concerning enrollment in a study abroad program, including but not limited to course attendance and other academic requirements, dietary requirements and health and safety information. Special categories of sensitive personal data regarding a legal process that may have been provided to USG by public authorities will be processed only for the purposes relating to a health or safety emergency and complying with any applicable law.
4. Special categories of sensitive personal data will be handled and processed only by the persons who are responsible for the necessary activities for the purpose above, and will be transmitted from the EU to the USG administration in Atlanta, GA and/or Carrollton, GA and/or to your home institution.
5. Refusal of consent may make it impossible for USG to carry out its necessary activities for the purpose above, and may preclude USG's ability to provide requested educational services to you.
6. You have the right to withdraw your consent to the collection and processing of special categories of sensitive personal data. If you would like to withdraw consent, please contact USG at dataprivacy@usg.edu.
7. USG is committed to ensuring the security of your information. We have put in place reasonable physical, technical, and administrative safeguards designed to prevent unauthorized access to your information.
8. USG has an EU GDPR compliance policy that includes your individual rights concerning your data. Please see the Data Privacy Policy and Legal Notice including EU GDPR Privacy Notice at <https://www.usg.edu/policies/dataprivacy>. I also hereby waive my right to privacy and confidentiality regarding any EU host institution reporting to the appropriate authorities at USG if I am seriously ill, suffer an injury, am the victim or perpetrator of harassment, whether on or off campus, am the victim of the perpetrator of sexual or gender-based misconduct and/or of criminal behavior, whether on or off campus, and I grant the authorities of any EU host institution's staff, faculty, and administrators full authority to report to the appropriate USG authorities any and all such incidents, under the applicable laws (including but not limited to Title IX and the Clery Act), whether or not it involves disciplinary action.

Having read this notice, I hereby give consent for the use of my special categories of sensitive personal data, and the transfer of special categories of sensitive personal data, overseas, including but not limited to information concerning Title IX and Clery Act incidents, for the purpose outlined in this notice.

If you have questions about this Consent, please contact:

Dr. Rose Procter, Associate Director, Ethics & Compliance
270 Washington Street, SW Atlanta, Georgia 30334
dataprivacy@usg.edu

[Type your first & last name to generate electronic signature]

Enter GDPR Consent

Payment Terms *

By submitting this application for a USG Goes Global study abroad program, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to the following:

- All payments, refunds, and withdrawals will be subject to the [USG Goes Global Cancellation Policy & Refund Schedule](#). Before making any payments, please carefully review the policy online at usg.edu/usgoesglobal.
- The initial payment is nonrefundable and serves as my commitment to pay the remaining balance of the program fee by the posted deadlines.
- I understand that all program fee payments must be submitted on time to USG Goes Global using the Make a Payment link within forms provided in this Via TRM portal. Late or incomplete payments may result in immediate withdrawal from the program.
- Financial aid and scholarship funds cannot be transferred from my institution to USG Goes Global, so I must have access to that money myself by the payment deadlines in order to use them for program fee payments.
- If I plan to use financial aid or scholarship funds that will not disburse until after USG Goes Global's payment deadlines, I must submit an appeal for a payment deferral prior to

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- If I plan to use financial aid or scholarship funds that will not disburse until after USG Goes Global's payment deadlines, I must request approval for a payment deferral prior to the application deadline and sign a special payment agreement before any deferral or extension can be granted. *Deferrals will only be approved for funding that has been officially awarded or confirmed – applications for scholarships or aid that are still pending a decision do not qualify for a deferral.*
- I understand that if I withdraw my application after a certain date, I may still be responsible for part or all of the program fee, even if I do not participate in the program (see [Refund Schedule](#) for details).
- The program fee does not include tuition. I will pay the **USG Goes Global tuition rate of \$199 per credit hour** to my home institution according to that institution's procedures and deadlines. If my institution is not part of USG Goes Global, I will pay tuition to the University of West Georgia.
- I am responsible for booking my own flights to and from the program location, following the instructions that will be provided at a later date. I understand that airfare purchases are subject to the airline's prices, terms, and availability.
- If I opt in to any **optional program add-ons**, I understand that additional costs will apply and I will make separate payments as instructed.
- I understand that program costs are based on group/package pricing through third-party vendors. All costs are subject to change due to vendor pricing, availability, or payment terms. Substitutions, exclusions, or refunds for individual program components are not allowed.
- If I have any issues or questions related to payments, I agree to communicate those to USG Goes Global BEFORE the payment is due.
- I have reviewed and considered all expected costs associated with participating in this program, including additional expenses beyond the program fee, tuition, and airfare. I understand the financial commitment I am making by submitting this application and have a clear, realistic plan for making all required payments on time.

BY SIGNING BELOW, I CONFIRM THAT I ACCEPT THESE PAYMENT TERMS.

[Type your first & last name to generate electronic signature]

Enter Payment Terms

Participation Agreement and Liability Waiver *

By submitting this application for a USG Goes Global study abroad program, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to the following:

- I understand that I must complete and submit my **USG Goes Global application (this online form)** by the posted deadline to be considered for the program. I may also be required to complete additional forms or applications through my home institution; however, **my place in the program is not confirmed** until my USG Goes Global application status is updated to **Committed**.
- I have reviewed all **eligibility requirements** for both USG Goes Global and my home institution. I understand that I must be at least 18 years of age and in good academic and disciplinary standing with my home institution by the time of departure in order to participate.
- If accepted, I will **register for courses and receive grades** through my home institution. If my home institution is not part of USG Goes Global, I will register for classes and receive grades as a University of West Georgia transient student. I will work with both my USG Goes Global instructors and home institution to resolve any issues related to registration, coursework, or grades.
- USG Goes Global may require **your immediate action or response** to finalize plans and arrangements for the program. I agree to regularly check the **email and phone number** I provided and to respond promptly to any urgent messages. To avoid delays that could affect other participants, failure to respond in a timely manner may result in my exclusion from certain arrangements **at my own expense**.
- **A valid passport is required for travel to all USG Goes Global program destinations.** I understand that I will not be eligible for a refund if I am unable to travel due to failure to obtain a valid passport or meet other entry requirements in time.
 - Passport processing times can take several months, even with expedited service. If I do not currently have a valid passport, I will begin the application or renewal process immediately, and no later than **3-4 months** before the program is scheduled to depart. *To begin, I can visit travel.state.gov/passports. If I am not eligible for a U.S. passport, I will follow the instructions from the embassy or consulate of my country of citizenship.*
 - I understand that **visa and travel authorization requirements vary** by traveler and destination. While USG Goes Global can help me get started, I acknowledge that it is ultimately my responsibility to comply with all entry requirements for my program. [Check Entry Requirements](#)
- If accepted, students with physical, psychological, or learning needs that require accommodations may inform USG Goes Global by completing the **Voluntary Disclosure of Health Information & Special Needs** form in this portal. This allows USG Goes Global to determine whether reasonable accommodations can be made in the host country. Disclosure of food allergies, dietary restrictions, and other health information is not required for participation, and any such information shared with USG Goes Global is provided voluntarily. USG Goes Global will make every effort to support any special needs disclosed in the form, but please note that the availability and standards for accommodations abroad may differ from those in the U.S.
- If accepted, I understand I **must adhere to the rules, policies, and procedures of the University System of Georgia (USG), USG Goes Global, my home institution, and any third-party providers involved in the program.** Additionally, I will be subject to the local laws, codes of conduct, regulations, and guidelines of any countries and local vendors I visit during the program.
- I acknowledge that I will be under the supervision and authority of USG Goes Global Program Directors, faculty, and staff, and that decisions regarding the continued participation of students whose conduct may necessitate dismissal from the program or other disciplinary action will be made at their discretion. If I am **dismissed due to behaviour in violation of conduct standards**, I understand that I will be responsible for any and all associated expenses and will not be refunded any payments made to USG Goes Global for the program.
- USG Goes Global reserves the right to make cancellations, changes, or substitutions to the program at any time because of emergencies, changed conditions, or the determination of onsite faculty and staff that such changes or substitutions are in the best interest of the program or its participants.
- If accepted, I understand I **will be enrolled in the USG's study abroad insurance**, which is included in the program fee. Trip cancellation /interruption insurance is not included, and I am responsible for purchasing additional coverage if I wish to protect my purchases.
- I have reviewed the **Cancellation Policy and Refund Schedule available at usg.edu/usggoesglobal**. If I choose to withdraw, I must notify both USG Goes Global and my home institution in writing via email. I understand that I may still be responsible for part or all of the program fee if I withdraw after the dates outlined in the Refund Schedule.
- I acknowledge that participation in a study abroad program may involve some risk of illness, injury, or loss of personal property. I agree to release and forever discharge the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia (USG), including USG Goes Global, my home institution, USG World Regional Councils, its members individually, and its officers, agents, and employees, from any and all claims, demands, rights, and causes of action of whatever kind or nature, arising from and by reason of any and all known or unknown, foreseen and unforeseen, bodily and personal injuries, including death, damage to property, and the consequences thereof, resulting from my participation in a USG Goes Global study abroad program.

BY SIGNING BELOW, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE INFORMATION AND CONDITIONS OUTLINED ABOVE FOR PARTICIPATION, AND I AUTHORIZE USG GOES GLOBAL TO PROCEED WITH CONSIDERATION OF MY APPLICATION.

[Type your first & last name to generate electronic signature]

Enter Participation Agreement and Liability Waiver

Mandatory Attendance at Pre-Departure Orientation *

SAVE THE DATE! USG Goes Global Pre-Departure Orientation is held at **Middle Georgia State University Hatcher Conference Center in Macon, GA**, and is tentatively scheduled for **Saturday, May 16, 2026**. Details will be provided at a later date, but plan to **check-in by 9:00 AM**.

ATTENDANCE IN-PERSON IS MANDATORY FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS!

- This is also the **official start date for all classes**. After the pre-departure sessions, each class will meet for 75 minutes (face-to-face lecture). Carpooling is encouraged when possible.
- **Absences for any reason must be approved in advance by the Program Director.** Unexcused absences may impact your participation grade.
- MGA is the chosen venue because it is the midpoint between USG Goes Global institutions. You are being notified before signing up for the program so there is **plenty of time to prepare** and make arrangements for transportation to get to orientation.

Select Mandatory Attendance at Pre-Departure Orientation

Other Information**Outreach ***

How did you hear about this program? *Select all that apply*

Options

- Academic Advisor
- Blog
- Other Campus Advisor
- Event
- Information Session
- Family
- Friend
- Information Table
- Presentation
- Poster or Flyer
- Professor or Teacher
- Program Website
- Printed Brochure
- Search Engine (e.g. Google)
- Social Media
- Student Alumni
- Study Abroad Office
- Webinar
- Video
- Other

Do you receive financial aid? *

Select Do you receive financial aid?

How do you plan to pay for the program fee, tuition, and airfare? *

Select How do you plan to pay for the program fee, tuition, and airfare?

Reminder: Complete all required fields & submit this form by the deadline!