

Global Seminars Application Questions 2026

Please do not use any AI or LLM tools for your response. Go Global and the program faculty want to get to know YOU! We are not looking for perfection in your responses but rather a real representation of your thoughts and feelings about participating in this program.

- Please state your current academic major (or intended major). The Global Seminar you are applying for may have pre-requisites. Please check the program website and indicate if you have met the pre-reqs for this course. If you do not have the pre-req for this seminar please note any other completed coursework relevant to the seminar.
- What do you hope to learn as a participant in this program? Why do you want to engage in the academic content and themes involved in this program? Please be specific.
- Previous travel experience **is not required** to participate in Global Seminars. We welcome students for whom this might be the first major trip.
 - Please describe any relevant cross-cultural experiences you have had which may have been abroad or locally.
 - What did you learn from these experiences?
 - How can you apply learning from these experiences to this program?
- You will likely meet people of different cultures, engage in conversations with locals who may express themselves differently than what you are accustomed to and you may be exposed to new traditions/art and more.
 - How do you envision yourself navigating cultural differences?
- Global Seminars are intensive experiences academically and personally. You will be travelling as part of a group of students, and sharing accommodations. There may be limited privacy and time alone.
 - Please describe a time when you navigated a challenging group situation. How did you handle it and what, if anything, would you have done differently?
 - What do you expect from yourself and others in order for the group to be successful?
 - Community Agreements are at the core of travelling respectfully together as a group. If you were drafting a Community Agreement with your classmates, what is one value that you would want to see added?
- Participating in a Global Seminar may involve travelling to areas with challenging environments, physically demanding activities and limited food options. Given what you know about the conditions in the field, discuss your suitability to undertake this program, and describe what you will do to ensure you remain healthy for the duration of the course. For Vancouver programs - Please review the "Experience in the Field" and "Accessibility" sections of the program website before answering this question. Each program website is listed at: <https://goglobal.ubc.ca/go-global/programs-ubc-students/global-seminars/programs>

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- Go Global strives to be an office that supports students from diverse backgrounds and experiences in taking part in international programs. Students may experience extenuating circumstances that have impacted their academic performance, or ability to travel through financial constraints, family, community or personal obligations. It is optional to share any circumstances that you would like taken into consideration when faculty members are reviewing your application.
- Do you have a valid passport with an expiry date at least 6 months after the end of your Go Global program? If not, we encourage you to applying for a new passport as soon as possible, given delays in passport and visa offices globally. You are responsible for obtaining the appropriate entry documents in time to participate in your program.
- If you have applied to more than one Global Seminar, please name them all here, and list them in order of your preference (e.g. 1 should be your top choice.) This is helpful for us to know if you are being considered for more than one program. Please also mention if you hope to participate in more than one program if the dates do not conflict. Please check the program dates on the website.