

Goldman Sachs Global Leaders Program

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the Goldman Sachs Global Leaders Program?

The Goldman Sachs Global Leaders Program (GSGLP) was established by the Goldman Sachs Foundation in 2001. The program, which is administered by the Institute of International Education (IIE) in partnership with educational organizations in selected countries, conducts an annual international competition at over 90-ranked universities in 19 countries. The competition identifies and rewards the academic excellence and leadership potential of 150 of the most accomplished second-year students from all disciplines for the Goldman Sachs Global Leaders Program.

What do winners of the competition receive?

The program recognizes the 150 Global Leaders' outstanding achievements and abilities by awarding each U.S. \$3,000. Based upon interviews, 75 of these student leaders are selected to represent the whole group at the annual Goldman Sachs Global Leadership Institute in July. At the Institute, students participate in leadership training and seminars on timely international issues. They consult with renowned leaders in the public, civic, and private sectors and build ties among themselves based on shared experiences and common goals. Global Leaders attending the Leadership Institute will be responsible for communicating the essence of the experience to the ones who did not attend from their countries.

Is the competition open to all universities?

No, it is not. Students must be in their second year of a university undergraduate degree program at one of the universities invited to participate in the current program year.

Who is eligible to apply to the Goldman Sachs Global Leaders Program?

Students must be nominated by their universities in order to apply for this award. Designated university liaisons will submit nomination forms on behalf of each nominated student. *Only applicants who meet the eligibility criteria will be considered for the award.* Please check with your region's competition for specific eligibility criteria.

Following the receipt of nominations from designated campus liaisons, the Program Managers will contact eligible nominees in their country or region by email. The appropriate local contact will provide each eligible nominee with instructions and login information for completing the online application. Only nominated students will be asked to submit an application for the Goldman Sachs Global Leaders Program.

I am attending a university in a country of which I am not a citizen. May I still apply?

Yes, you may apply as long as you are a registered second-year student at a participating university in a participating country.

I don't have the minimum GPA required. Can I still be nominated?

No. Potential applicants must meet all of the eligibility criteria.

What does the term "second-year student" mean?

Second-year student refers to the number of years you have been enrolled and attending university. Students must have no more than 2 years of study at a university after graduation from secondary school. It does not refer to the stage in a degree program (i.e. freshman, sophomore year, etc.).

I am a student who is pursuing a double degree. I am currently in my third (or fourth) year of study at university, but I am in my second-year of one of my degree programs. Am I eligible?

No, you are not eligible. Students must be enrolled in their second-year of university. Eligibility criteria for "second-year students" refer to the number of years you have been enrolled and attending university rather than your stage in your degree program.

I recently transferred to a participating university and would like to apply to the program. Not all of my credits were transferable, so I am currently enrolled as a sophomore even though I held junior standing at my former university. Am I eligible?

No, you are not eligible. Eligibility criteria for "second-year students" refer to the number of years you have been enrolled and attending university rather than your stage in your degree program.

I transferred to a participating university from a community college where I studied in a two-year program and received an Associates degree. I am presently seeking a Bachelors degree and hold a sophomore standing at university. Am I eligible?

No, you are not eligible. Eligibility criteria for "second-year students" refer to the number of years you have been enrolled and attending university rather than your stage in your degree program.

For more information, please visit the GSGLP website at www.globalleadersprogram.com.