



# The Global Undergraduate Exchange Program (Global UGRAD) 2017-2018

## Scholarship!! For an Educational & Cultural Exchange Opportunity

The Global Undergraduate Exchange Program (Global UGRAD) is an **official U.S. Government program** sponsored by the U.S Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

It is designed to provide a diverse group of emerging student leaders from around the world with a scholarship for one semester of non-degree academic study at a U.S. college or university. Successful applicants can expect an in-depth exposure to U.S. society, culture, and academic institutions, as well as an opportunity to enhance their professional skills. Study starts in August 2017.

All participants will be enrolled in full-time, non-degree, undergraduate course work chosen from their host institution's existing curriculum. Participants will be required to take one, 3-credit U.S. studies course to enhance their understanding of the United States. Participants will live in campus housing facilities with American peers, and will be required to participate in twenty hours of community service.

There will also be a virtual arrival orientation and an in-person end-of-program workshop.

### Eligibility Requirements:

1. Applicants must be Saudi citizens currently studying in Saudi Arabia (dual U.S./Saudi citizens are considered ineligible.)
2. Scholarships will be granted to students who currently are enrolled in full-time undergraduate programs only, having completed a minimum of their first semester of study. Participants must have at least one semester or an equivalent term to complete at their home institutions upon completion of the Global UGRAD Program.
3. Applicants must demonstrate English proficiency with a minimum score of 500 in TOEFL PBT (paper-based test) or higher, or 61 or higher in the TOEFL IBT (Internet-based test.)
4. Applicants should demonstrate leadership potential through academic work, community involvement, and extracurricular activities.
5. Preference will be given to those who have had little or NO experience in the U.S. or outside of their home countries.
6. Applicants must be committed to return directly to their home country after the completion of the program.
7. Applicants must be over 18 years of age.

### Application Procedures:

Interested applicants must complete the [on-line application](#), which will open on November 2nd and close December 31st at 5:00pm EST.

### Application Package:

A complete application package includes: the online application, copy of passport bio page, academic transcripts for years of university study (with English translations if in Arabic), two letters of reference (with English translations if in Arabic), and grade equivalence between local grading system and U.S. grading system.

**Program Funding**

All participant costs including international and domestic travel, housing, meals, and health coverage for the duration of the program are covered by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of States.

**For more information on the program:**

Please visit [The Global UGRAD website](#) and [Global UGRAD Facebook page](#)

**For questions:**

Please write to: [ExchangeProgramsSaudiArabia@state.gov](mailto:ExchangeProgramsSaudiArabia@state.gov), or call:

U.S. Embassy Riyadh Cultural Affairs Office (011-488-3800 ext. 4995)

U.S. Consulate Jeddah Cultural Affairs Office (012-667-0080 ext. 4152)

U.S. Consulate Dhahran Cultural Affairs Office (013-330-3200 ext. 3115)