More About GLGC Pillars:

Gettysburg College greatly values the role international education plays in the overall college experience for its students. Living abroad is often life changing for those that take the leap and the Office of Off-Campus Studies wants to make sure students make those most of that experience. OCS believes that to fully embrace the experience, 3 avenues need to be explored in-depth; Mentoring, Scholarship, & Activism.

**Mentorship**, the first pillar, provides the opportunity to help mold, shape and support the next generation of returning study abroad students. As you may remember, or are experiencing right now, it can be difficult to return to friends, family and school. Having a peer, who understands the places and things you are describing can be incredibly beneficial. As a mentor, you can be that person. You can help newly returned students process their experience, re-acclimate into the Gettysburg lifestyle and set the stage for them to become mentors. Your experience and enthusiasm will be invaluable in this position!

**Scholarship**, the second pillar, provides the opportunity to educate the Gettysburg College community with what you’ve taken away from your travels. Within this pillar we encourage you to integrate your experience into your course work through papers and presentations, into your living communities through programming, and into the larger campus community through programming, organizations, and activism. This pillar sets the scene for enhancing the already international campus of Gettysburg College through your commitment to educate others.

**Activism**, the final pillar, provides the opportunity for outreach to different organizations on campus and in the Gettysburg community. Linking with Campus Kitchens, The Center for Career Development, or any other office or organization on campus or in the community serves as yet another vehicle for showcasing your amazing experience, all while benefitting others. This pillar can take you from personal reflection to personally changing lives!

The intention behind The Global Leaders of Gettysburg College is that you will try your hand at all of these pillars; that they together will form the foundation for your own self-reflection and discovery. By opening yourself to each pillar the end result may be even more profound and transformational than your study abroad experience itself. If one pillar is more interesting to you than another, you are able to do a concentration, which means you will gather more points* in that one pillar than any of the others.