

GLGC FAQ:

How do I start the process?

Complete the registration for GLGC on the CGE website. After completing the registration, you will have joined all of the other GLGCers who are connecting their global experience with their on campus activities.

Do I have to wait until I get back from abroad to join?

To officially start the process, yes. But if you know before you leave that you would like to be a part of the GLGC, then let CGE know in your advising meeting so we can talk about preparing for your return even before you leave.

What are the requirements?

To be a part of the GLGC, you have to be away from campus for at least one semester at an approved program abroad as a registered Gettysburg College student. All GLGCers are required to attend an orientation. You will also have an individual meeting at the start of the program with CGE. To “graduate” from the GLGC, you must complete at least 50 points (more on points later).

What are GLGC points?

GLGCers participate in activities and conduct work that is global in nature and relates to one of the three areas of focus of the GLGC. These activities are worth “points” depending on the intensity and substance of that activity.

How many points do I need?

By the time you graduate, you need to complete 50 points from the three areas. You must complete at least 10 points in each area.

What kinds of things count?

All kinds of things count towards points! A basic list can be found to the right. The more substantial and involved an activity is, the more points it is worth. Passive events (attending a program, etc.) are not worth as many points as an activity you are actively engaged in. Also, you may advocate for or create new activities.

Can I complete all of my points in one area?

If you feel passionate about one of the three areas of the GLGC, you may concentrate your activities in that area but you still must complete at least 10 points in the other two areas. This means you can obtain a maximum of 30 points in one area. If you would like to talk about specific activities related to an area of interest, contact CGE.

How do I track my points?

Simply submit your points to glgc@gettysburg.edu by writing a brief description and the number of points you feel the activity is worth. If the point value seems too low or too high, we will contact you. At least once a semester, we will send out an update of your point totals so far.

What's the mid-point check-in?

A mid-point check-in is your opportunity to talk with someone in CGE about the path you've been on and make sure you are heading in a good direction.

How much time will this take?

The time will be dictated by you and fits around your schedule. We know returning students are often already highly involved on campus and are starting to think about what will come after Gettysburg. GLGC is designed so students can use many of the things they are already doing toward GLGC. Sometimes all it takes is changing the lens you have when doing a particular activity. And remember, you have the entire period of time between your arrival back on campus and your graduation from Gettysburg to complete the 50 points.

What's in it for me?

Returning to campus is often the hardest part of the abroad experience and GLGC can help student make that transition. GLGCers wear honor cords at graduation and get to have dinner with President Riggs at the end of their senior year.

Points Values for GLGC

Active:

Paper for class: 2-7
Project for class: 2-7
Capstone (seniors): 4-8
Planning an event: 3-5
Leading an event: 4-6
Membership in a new club/organization: 3-6
Related community involvement: 2-6
Meeting with a mentee: 1-3
Helping with Pre-departure Orientation or Family Weekend: 3
Conversing in a language other than English: 1-4
Training sessions: 2
Submitting a paper to the Cupola: 7
Written reflections: 2-3

Passive:

GLGC event: 2-4
Attendance at an event: 2-4
Attending a lecture: 2-4
Attending a film screening: 1-3

Total Points Needed:

50