GLOBAL CITIZEN YEAR

The global gap year that’s launching the next generation of leaders.
I am taking a Global Citizen Year because I want to explore my limits and gain global experience.
WHAT IS A GAP YEAR?

For some, packing up and shipping off to college immediately after high school graduation is the right answer. But not for all.

Many students elect to take time off before college—known as a gap year—to learn and grow outside the classroom. Some work. Some volunteer. Some travel. Some do all three. And while some call the gap year a non-traditional path to college, we call it a better way.

Students call Global Citizen Year transformative. Parents call it priceless. And top colleges call it preferable.

This is perspective that can’t be taught in a classroom. Let us help you find your why.

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You may know exactly what you want to do with your life, or you may still be contemplating your college major. Either way, one thing is certain—Global Citizen Year Fellows start their first year of college with exponentially more purpose and passion than those without this unique gap year experience.

**EXTENDED IMMERSION**

Gain a true local perspective and learn a new language during your eight-month stay with a vetted and trained host family in your choice of our four program countries—Brazil, Ecuador, India, and Senegal.

**MEANINGFUL APPRENTICESHIPS**

Make your mark in the world working alongside community members in diverse apprenticeship sectors that include environmental conservation, health, education, agriculture, women and girls empowerment, small business, and social work.

**EMBOLDENED INDEPENDENCE**

Strike the perfect balance of work and adventure. Shape your experience by committing to your apprenticeship while getting the support you need to pursue your own cultural interests.

**NEED-BLIND ADMISSIONS**

Invest in yourself—we’ll make it work for you. Tuition is $32,500, and we offer a need-blind admissions process, with 30 percent of past classes receiving full scholarships and 50 percent receiving partial scholarships.
“Global Citizen Year gave me the confidence to discern where my passions lie and the courage to pursue those passions.”

JORDAN LEE
ECUADOR 2013, YALE UNIVERSITY, SOCIAL & ECONOMIC SURVEY RESEARCH INSTITUTE, QATAR UNIVERSITY

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Pre-Departure Campaign
Prep for your gap year. Build your language and culture skills.

Global Launch
Meet your global cohort. Get world-class leadership training.

Country Launch
Arrive in your host country. Meet your host family.

Apprenticeship & Homestay
Dive into your apprenticeship. Immerse yourself in community.

Re-Entry Training
Reunite with your global cohort. Prepare for transition home.

Capstone Project
Return home. Share your experience.

Senior Year
Apply and interview. Get accepted as a Fellow.

Lifelong Network
Maximize college. Succeed with support from global network.

AUGUST APRIL
GLOBAL IMMERSION. INSPIRED LEADERSHIP.

AHEAD OF THE CURVE

Break the status quo. As a Global Citizen Year Fellow you won’t be off track or behind—you’ll be a world ahead. Confidently start college and a career with the resilience and experience you need to help solve real-world problems and drive social impact.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Learn from fearless entrepreneurs, philanthropists, and social change leaders at the world’s most innovative companies and organizations, such as Google, AirBNB, and Kiva. Shape your leadership style alongside local changemakers in your host country.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

See the world with new eyes, learn a new language, and discover your passion along the way. This deep cultural immersion will help build an incomparable foundation for success in college and in your career.

LIFELONG NETWORK

Get unparalleled access to an inspiring, tight-knit community of Global Citizen Year alumni. Connect with other bold, ambitious Fellows—both during your gap year and beyond.

COLLEGE PARTNERSHIPS

Global Citizen Year works directly with a growing number of excellent colleges and universities that are actively encouraging their incoming students to consider a Global Citizen Year.

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“Global Citizen Year informed every class that I took in college, shifted my values from grades to learning, and drove my commitment to make a change in the world.”

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