

# UW Global Gateway in India

# IAP Program Handbook

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The Global Gateway in India program is offered by International Academic Programs (IAP) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in conjunction with CET Academic Programs (CET). This IAP Program Handbook supplements any information you receive from CET as well as the [IAP Study Abroad Handbook](#) and provides you with the most up-to-date information and advice available at the time of printing. Changes may occur before your departure or while you are abroad.

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# CONTACT INFORMATION

## On-Site Program Information

Your primary contact in India will be the UW Program Leader.

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### *CET India Study Center*

The program is administered through CET in India. The CET staff will also be there to assist you and help you with any issues you may encounter.

## International Academic Programs Contact Information

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## Emergency Contact Information

In case of an emergency, contact your Program Leader first using the emergency contact information provided on-site. For IAP emergency contact, call the main IAP number **(608) 265-6329** between 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday; after-hours or on weekends call the IAP staff member on call at **(608) 516-9440**. If you call the main IAP number after hours, the message will direct you to call the emergency number, so it's a good place to start if you're not sure about the time difference.

It is important to note that not all international emergency phone numbers are the same. The local equivalent to the "911" emergency line in India is:

- 100 - Police

### *Embassy Registration and Information*

Program participants who are U.S. citizens must register with the U.S. Department of State Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) before departure as this will help in case of a lost passport or other mishap. You can register on-line at <https://step.state.gov/step/>. If you are not a U.S. citizen, consult your home country's embassy or consulate to determine if they have similar services.

### [Embassy New Delhi](#)

Shantipath, Chanakyapuri

New Delhi - 110021

Phone: +91-11-2419-8000

After hours Emergency Contact Number: 11-2419-8000

## PROGRAM DATES

Program dates are **May 22 – June 19, 2019**. Detailed program dates are provided in your MyStudyAbroad account. The specific group flight information is included below in the Travel & Arrival section.

## PREPARATION BEFORE LEAVING

Also Refer to the IAP Study Abroad Handbook for essential information. Be certain to read all of these materials carefully, as they answer many common questions about cultural, academic, and health matters abroad.

### Immigration Documents

#### *Passport*

A passport is needed to travel to India and to obtain your required visa. **Apply immediately for a passport if you do not already have one.** Passport information and application forms can be found on the U.S. State Department website (<http://travel.state.gov/passport>). If you already have your passport, make sure it will be valid for at least 6 months beyond the length of your stay abroad.

In India you need to carry a copy of your passport on you at all times. We recommend you make a photocopy of the main page and laminate it before leaving.

#### **\*Tip: Take a lost passport kit**

It happens. So save yourself a major headache. Take with you two U.S.-produced passport photos, a certified copy of your birth certificate (which you can shrink to wallet size), and the face page of your passport. Keep this "lost passport kit" separate from your actual passport. Also leave one copy of the passport face page with your parents or guardian and give another copy to CIEE staff at the host site.

#### *Visa*

CET will assist with you with the visa process and will ask for you to submit a form to them including passport information. U.S. citizens must have a U.S. passport valid for at least six months beyond the end of the program. If you are not a U.S. citizen, contact your Study Abroad Advisor for guidance. It is your responsibility to submit your visit materials on-time to CET

### Packing and Baggage

Try to organize and pack at least several days prior to departure so that you can judge if you'll be able to carry your bags (you must be able to do this). Some students have even practiced by carrying their bags around the block! Also, by packing early you'll have time to rest before the long trip.

#### ***What are the baggage limits?***

You are allowed one checked bag, one carry-on piece and one personal item on this program. Your checked bag must weigh less than 50 pounds. Total dimensions (length + width + height) of your suitcase must be less than 62 inches. Total

dimensions of the carry-on piece must not exceed 45 inches and must be able to fit below the seat in front of you or in the overhead compartment. If your baggage exceeds any of these standards you may be charged for excess baggage.

## **Climate**

It will be hot in Delhi and Bhimtal in June, and there could be sporadic rain. Be prepared with modest light, loose, comfortable clothing. Clothing that is quick-drying is best, in case it rains and you get wet.

## **Clothing**

Indians take great care over their appearance and the majority of people you will encounter will be clean and put together. For this reason, take clothing that is free of holes and stains, and clothing that does not wrinkle too much after packing and washing. Women should take dress modestly – no shorts please!

U.S. students have often said they took too much clothing. Don't forget that nothing ruins traveling abroad more than having too much luggage, especially when you have to carry it yourself. You can save packing space by coordinating your clothing so that shirts can be worn with different skirts and pants. Bring comfortable walking shoes.

## **Electrical Appliances**

The voltage in India is 220 Volts, alternating at 50 cycles per second. If you wish to use any electronic devices from the United States (which work on 110V currency) that doesn't have dual voltage, you'll need a voltage converter. You will also need a plug adapter.

You will need your laptop to write papers and do homework at the hotel.

# **TRAVEL AND ARRIVAL INFORMATION**

Flight information will be provided to you at a later date.

# **THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM**

## **General Information**

UW Global Gateway Programs are short-term study abroad programs that allow you to interact closely with a UW-Madison faculty member. On these programs, a UW-Madison faculty member will lead a group of students to various locations around the globe to introduce them to issues of global importance and in an increasingly interconnected world.

As global competency and awareness of international issues are core to the development of all UW-Madison students, IAP supports this initiative by providing each student selected with a Global Gateway Scholarship, which covers all billed program costs and international airfare. Through these programs, IAP hopes to make study abroad accessible to UW-Madison students, to serve as a gateway to further international opportunities, and to cultivate community at UW-Madison through shared academic experiences abroad.

All Global Gateway participants are students in the first two years of their experience at UW-Madison.

## **Course Information and credits**

You will take two courses (for a total of 5 credits) while on the UW Global Gateway Program in India. You will receive complete syllabi for both of these courses.

### ***Religions in Practice in Contemporary India*** - Religious Studies 274, OR Asian 274 (3 credits)

This course will be taught by UW Madison professor Anthony Cerulli

This course offers a classroom-discussion experience and a first-hand look at the diversity of religious traditions in India. Students will explore how different religious communities in India (Hinduism, Sikhism, Buddhism, and Islam) have developed over time and today coexist with one another, noting their points of theological, political, and cultural divergence and affiliation. The course will include multiple site visits to temples, mosques, and shrines as well as meetings with people from the traditions of Hinduism, Sikhism, Buddhism, and Islam.

### ***Political Pluralism: India as the World's Laboratory*** - Political Science 327 (2 credits)

This course will be taught by a professor from the CET India program

India is a young democracy, but the world's largest, and one of the most diverse. In this course, students trace the historical, political, and cultural topography of the subcontinent, and examine the forces that bind it together as a nation, as well as those that threaten to undermine its coherence. Four themes will be explored: India and the World: Anti-Colonial Sovereignty and Its Discontents; The Politics of Religion and Secularism; From Socialism to Neoliberalism; and Democracy: Of the People, the Mob, or the Elite? Multiple site visits and excursions will be included to complement the course.

## **Registration**

IAP will register you for a special "Study Abroad Course" for the classes you will be taking abroad; therefore, it is not necessary for you to register on the UW-Madison campus. This is a temporary registration, which will be replaced with the final grade and credit you earn after completion of the program.

## **Course Equivalent Requests (CERs) and My Study Abroad**

Each course you take abroad must be assigned a UW-Madison "equivalent" course in order for your grades and credits to be recorded on your UW-Madison transcript. In order to establish UW-Madison course equivalents for your study abroad courses, you will submit a Course Equivalent Request (CER) through your My Study Abroad account. Information on the UW course equivalent process is also available in the IAP Study Abroad Handbook. To avoid a delay in your study abroad courses posting to your UW Madison transcript, it is important to submit your equivalent information prior to the end of your term abroad.

## **Pass/Fail/Drop/Audit**

Please refer to the IAP Study Abroad Handbook for academic policies. A Pass/Fail option will be available in the Course Equivalency Request. The due date for Pass/Fail submission can be found in the Academics tab of your My Study Abroad account.

## **Grades and Grade Conversions**

The UW Global Gateway India program uses the following scale to assess the CET course grade to be placed on your UW Student Record:

CIEE	UW-Madison Equivalent
A+/A	A
A-/B+	AB
B	B
B-/C+	BC
C/C-	C

D+/D/D-	D
F	F

Please note that Professor Cerulli's course will use the UW-Madison scale, and therefore, no conversion is needed.

## ADDITIONAL RELEVANT INFORMATION/WEBSITES OF INTEREST

### Get a Good Guidebook

Past participants recommend that you purchase a good guidebook and read a lot of it before you go! *The Lonely Planet* series is useful. Other guidebooks include the *Let's Go*, and *Real/Rough Guide* series. *Insight* guides provide good background and cultural information. Pay particular attention to sections on obtaining maps and other information from tourist offices, customs of the host country, currency exchange, telephoning home, safety, transportation, and general travel advice.

### Tap Other Resources

U.S. State Department Students Abroad site:

<http://www.studentsabroad.state.gov/>

U.S. State Department:

<http://travel.state.gov>

Center for Disease Control

<http://www.cdc.gov/travel/>

Current exchange rates

<http://www.oanda.com>

Cost of Living Calculator

<http://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/>

Lonely Planet

<http://www.lonelyplanet.com>

## Global Gateway India

### Suggested Packing List

- ☐ Passport/photocopy of passport or copy saved digitally
- ☐ UW Student ID
- ☐ Credit card/debit cards for emergencies
- ☐ Electrical adapter plug
- ☐ Money belt
- ☐ Camera
- ☐ Prescription medications
- ☐ Medicine kit (anti-diarrhea medicine/aspirin/Band-Aids/cold medicine)
- ☐ Toiletries, birth control/condoms, extra glasses/contacts
- ☐ Toilet paper/tissues for your bag
- ☐ Hand sanitizer (for plane and elsewhere)
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Bug spray
- ☐ Sunglasses
- ☐ Shoes: Comfortable walking shoes and Flip flops or sandals
- ☐ Basic Clothes: Pajamas, pants, shirts, skirts/dresses, socks and underwear
- ☐ Rain jacket and umbrella
- ☐ Backpack/small overnight bag for traveling
- ☐ Sunhat or cap
- ☐ Laptop
- ☐ Phone
- ☐ For smart phones and tablets: download apps (WhatsApp) and set up credit cards *before leaving*: Uber, Zomato, Netflix
- ☐ Reusable water bottle
- ☐ Day bag
- ☐ Pens, pencils, notebook, journal
- ☐ Favorite snacks / granola bars
- ☐ 2 books by William Dalrymple: *City of Djinns: A Year in Delhi* & *Nine Lives: In Search of the Sacred in Modern India*