

THE OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

The Office of International Affairs (OIA) strives to fulfill Gallaudet University's objective to create a "Global Gallaudet" that positively impacts the quality of life for the full spectrum of Deaf identities worldwide. **OIA comprises three programs and a support team.**

Education Abroad and International Fellowships (EA) abroad@gallaudet.edu

- Collaborates with faculty to develop a portfolio of education abroad programs that also enrich on-campus coursework and infuse a global-minded sensibility into the entire Gallaudet community.
- Develops Virtual Exchange-Collaborative Online International Learning (VE-COIL) opportunities for globallyminded students. VE-COIL infuses global awareness, learning, and shared action by our campus community.
- Maintains a coordinated approach to developing systems, processes, and policies that ensure standards of good practice for education abroad at Gallaudet.
- Provides students, faculty, staff, and recent graduates with help and advice on international fellowships and scholarships.
- Works with campus units to help ensure a safe international travel experience for campus members.



International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) isss@gallaudet.edu

- Ensures that students, and the University, are in compliance with U.S. immigration laws.
- Provides students with key information before and during a comprehensive orientation; advises on social, cultural, and personal adjustment; promotes financial aid opportunities; and hosts activities to encourage interaction with the overall Gallaudet community.
- Works closely with Gallaudet's schools and faculty members to extend University resources through its International Visiting Scholar (IVS) service, which accommodates incoming professors, researchers, fellows, Fulbright scholars, and other scholars from outside the U.S. to campus from two weeks to five years.
- Manages the Gallaudet-Nippon Foundation World Deaf Leadership (WDL) Scholarship funded by the Nippon Foundation of Tokyo, Japan, to make it possible for deaf and hard of hearing leaders from developing nations to attend Gallaudet University.



International Relations (IR) global@gallaudet.edu

- Teams with University constituents to assess worldwide opportunities and facilitate mutually beneficial cooperative agreements with foreign entities, using a cross-campus committee, Global Opportunity Assessing League (GOAL).
- Serves as a global knowledge hub by hosting campus dialogue on issues of importance, and maintaining a Global Knowledge Base with in-depth information about nations of interest.
- Hosts strategic international visitors who meet Gallaudet's goals in at least one of three areas: expands international enrollment, enhances academic and intercultural exchange, or represents current or potential strategic international relations.





Core Services (CS)

- Provides support to the EA, IR, and ISSS programs.
- Maintains the International Policy Manual, a compilation of policies, procedures, and guides, and All Hands On, which facilitates cross-campus collaboration to improve international students and scholars' experiences through referral and intercultural competency.
- Implements strategic planning and policy development that enhances internationalization, such as global recruiting and curricular enrichment.
- Oversees special projects/initiatives to facilitate Gallaudet's progress towards a Global Gallaudet.

Welcome, International Visitors!

Gallaudet welcomes hundreds of visitors from around the world to its campus each year. University faculty and staff are encouraged to refer international visitors to the Maguire Welcome Center at gallaudet.edu/maguire-welcome-center.

Strategic International Visitors are a subset of international visitors who represent a strategic opportunity to advance Gallaudet's mission through student recruiting, academic exchanges, and institutional partnerships. Working with the offices of the president and the provost, OIA hosts strategic international visitors after carefully screening the numerous requests of this nature Gallaudet receives each year to ascertain if special arrangements can be provided. Please learn more on our website: **gu.live/jKiE4**





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