

International Plan Checklist

This is a self-audit tool that students can use to track their progress through the various IP components.

I. Globally-Oriented Coursework:

All IP students complete one course in each of three categories: International Relations, Global Economics, and one course focused on the country/region of the student's overseas experiences. The complete list of IP – approved courses is available in the GT catalog at: <http://www.catalog.gatech.edu/specialacademic/international.php>. (List is subject to change.) Students can also request to use courses taken on an exchange program by petitioning the IP Committee.

1. International Relations course no. / Title _____
Semester Completed _____ Grade _____
2. Global Economics course no. / Title _____
Semester Completed _____ Grade _____
3. Country/Region course no. / Title _____
Semester Completed _____ Grade _____

Ideally, the IP global courses will fulfill a student's social science, humanities, or ethics requirements whenever possible. Ask your academic unit advisor or IP faculty representative for guidance when making these decisions.

Please note:

- AP credits may not be used to fulfill IP course requirements
- All three courses must be taken for a letter grade unless only offered as pass/fail
- Only one 1000-level course may be used to satisfy the globally-focused courses

II. Language Requirement:

All IP students must develop proficiency in a language other than English through the 2002-level or equivalent. Equivalency may be demonstrated by taking a placement test, scoring a 4 or better on the AP exam, Oral Proficiency exam, or another method as determined by the GT School of Modern Languages.

- a. Languages used for purposes of the IP should fit with the overall plan of each student.
 - i. If language(s) of host country(ies) is a language that is taught at GT, the chosen IP language should be coherent with one of the locations.
 - ii. If language(s) of host country(ies) is not taught at GT or is English, students can use any language to fulfill the IP requirement.
- b. Students wishing to demonstrate a higher level of proficiency have the option to take the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) administered by ACTFL. Students who pass the OPI at the requisite level of proficiency receive a "Language Proficiency" designation in addition to the regular International Plan designation.

Language Option

- 1) _____ Took coursework through 2002-level or equivalent in _____ language.
- 2) _____ Pursuing "International Plan, Language Proficiency" designator in _____ language.
Date of OPI _____ Score _____

For questions regarding language classes, language placement tests, and language classes permits, please contact the School of Modern Languages <http://www.modlangs.gatech.edu/>, Phone: 404-894-7327, Office Location: Swann Building

III. International Experience:

Students must complete **within two terms** a minimum of 26 weeks of active engagement abroad (i.e. full-time studying, working, and/or researching) on Georgia Tech-sponsored programs. The experiences abroad must involve living among and being actively engaged in the local academic, research, or work community abroad. The terms of experience do not have to be consecutive and may occur in different countries. **Only one term may be a summer.**

The defining characteristic of the international experiences should be *coherence*. In other words, the international experiences should take place in locations that share a common language, or in countries/programs which offer the opportunity to delve deeply into a specific aspect of one's major (e.g. intellectually coherent). For more information on coherence: <https://ip.oie.gatech.edu/Coherence>

For the international experience, IP students will:

- be enrolled at Georgia Tech while completing the IP international experience/s
- complete and submit the "International Experiences Approval Form" prior to departing the US
- meet the minimum GPA requirement of their program abroad

Minimum 26 weeks abroad

_____ Apply for and be accepted to a GT-sponsored international program (study, internship, and/or research)

Term 1: Name of Program/Country(ies): _____
Number of weeks counting for IP: _____ Semester/s and year: _____

Term 2: Name of Program/Country(ies): _____
Number of weeks counting for IP: _____ Semester/s and year: _____

_____ Prior to departing the U.S., complete, obtain required signatures for, and submit the **International Experiences Approval Form** to the IP Manager at internationalplan@oie.gatech.edu (form available at: https://ip.oie.gatech.edu/Approval_Form).

_____ Register for relevant coursework or GT audit course during your time abroad.

IV. IP Capstone:

All IP students will fulfill an IP capstone course. Each participating major has a pre-approved course to fulfill the IP Capstone Course. **This step will require planning, so contact your department at least one semester in advance.**

_____ Register for IP Capstone

_____ Attend IP Capstone workshop presented by OIE, if being offered

V. Graduation and the IP Degree Designation Form:

During their last undergraduate semester, IP students complete an IP Degree Designation Form and submit it to the IP Manager. This form is in addition to the Online Application for Graduation. The IP Manager will then submit to the Registrar on behalf of the student. This form is available at <http://oie.gatech.edu/content/ip-degree-designation-form>.

_____ One semester prior to graduation, complete and have signed as directed the "IP Degree Designation Form"

_____ Submit signed IP Degree Designation Form to the IP Manager