

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 will complete one course in each of three categories: International Relations, Global Economics, and one course pertaining to the Country or Region of the student’s international experiences. The complete list of IP- approved courses is available in the GT catalog at: <http://www.catalog.gatech.edu/specialacademic/international.php>. (*Note: This 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 Rep 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

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, permits for language classes, and the Oral Proficiency Interview, 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 twenty-six weeks of active engagement abroad (i.e. full-time studying, working, and/or researching) on Georgia Tech-sponsored international programs. The experiences abroad must be characterized by living among and being actively engaged in the local academic, research, or work community abroad. The terms of experience need not be consecutive and may occur in different countries. Only one of these terms may be a summer program.

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

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
- register for an IP audit course in each term spent abroad
- meet the minimum GPA requirement of their program abroad (contact your Study Abroad or Work Abroad Advisor for information).

Minimum 26 weeks abroad

_____ Apply for and be accepted to a GT-sponsored international program (work, 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 US , complete, obtain required signatures for, and submit the **International Experiences Approval Form** to the Office of International Education, Savant Building Suite 211, Attn: IP Advisor (form available at <http://oie.gatech.edu/content/international-experiences-approval-form>).

_____ Register for one IP audit course for each IP term abroad (permits will be provided only if “International Experience Approval Form” has been completed and submitted as directed on the form)

- Contact internationalplan@oie.gatech.edu for permit for:
 - IPFS 3012 (going on exchange) **OR**
 - IPSA 3012 (going on faculty-led study abroad)
- Contact globalinternships@oie.gatech.edu for permit for:
 - IPIN 3011 (for international internship) **OR**
 - IPCO 3011 (for international co-op)

IV. IP Capstone:

All IP students will fulfill a senior-level IP capstone course. Each participating major has a pre-approved course to fulfill the IP Capstone Course. **This step will require planning; so, be sure to 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:

In the semester prior to graduation, IP students will complete, along with their Online Application for Graduation, the IP Degree Designation Form. This form should be signed by the student, academic advisor, and the IP Advisor. The IP Advisor will turn the form over 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 Advisor