



GLOBAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

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The Global Leadership Program is a professional training program at the University of Missouri aimed at enhancing global competency and cross-cultural communication skills for government officials, professionals, higher education faculty, and research scholars. Through diverse programming, participants will achieve a higher level of international proficiency, thus making them more valuable assets to their professional organizations and their home countries. They will be joining our strong alumni network of several thousand MU Tigers throughout Asia.

Our quality curriculum, experienced faculty, and extensive knowledge of global perspectives make this a unique professional development program, allowing you to experience life in the U.S. while gaining the tools and knowledge to propel your career forward.



Sang S. Kim
*Director
Asian Affairs Center &
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Global Focus Local Experience Personal Achievement

YOU WILL:

- ✓ **Increase English competency, specifically as it relates to international business, academia, and government affairs.**
- ✓ **Enhance global perspectives and understanding of American culture, both professionally and personally.**
- ✓ **Improve global leadership and administration skills for a variety of professional settings.**
- ✓ **Expand knowledge in specialty focus areas.**

WE WILL:

- ✓ **Provide relevant courses taught by a diverse group of instructors with experience in English education and global perspectives.**
- ✓ **Coordinate site visits to major corporations, government offices, NGOs, and cultural sites.**
- ✓ **Arrange business & government seminars on topics of U.S. economic, political, social, and educational systems.**
- ✓ **Connect you with experienced professionals, either through a formal internship (professional/government track) or through introductions with specialists and researchers in your field (academic/research track).**

OVERVIEW OF PROGRAM

ALL TRACKS

GLP Courses (4 days/week)

Each participant will take four topics courses of their choosing every 7 weeks, each with the aim of improving global competency and English proficiency through informative seminars and lively discussion with their peers. Topics may include public policy, economy, politics, education, culture, presentation skills, and leadership.

Global Leadership Seminars (bi-weekly)

Guest speakers present current issues and topics related to global leadership to enhance GLP participants' awareness around the globe and their global competencies.

Professional Site Visits (bi-weekly)

The Asian Affairs Center will organize site visits and field trips to enhance the immersive experience for the scholars.

Conversation Partners (optional component)

If you are interested, we can match you with an American conversation partner who you can meet with outside of class times to enhance your understanding of American culture and practice your English with a native speaker.

Accent & Pronunciation Modification (optional component)

Participants may choose to attend two-on-one sessions with an MU graduate specialist in the Department of Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences. This high-quality program is designed to improve pronunciation of spoken English.

Family Involvement Programs (optional components)

Spouses or significant others of participants have access to specialized group classes to help them integrate into the community and learn about American culture. Dependent children will be able to participate in our online Junior Leaders Program with local children and children from other countries, for an additional fee.

PROFESSIONAL/GOVERNMENT TRACK

Professional Practicum (optional component)

Participants may sign up for a professional practicum/internship at a Missouri state agency or nonprofit that suits their professional interests.

ACADEMIC / RESEARCH TRACK

Research Project (optional component)

Scholars will receive guidance for their research, including connections with specialists in their field, journal publication resources, and information on conferences.

Contact us to learn more about customizing your experience!



COURSES

For each 7-week session, scholars will choose 4 classes, each of which meets twice a week. We provide [informative, interactive courses](#) on a variety of topics. Our courses are designated as Beginning, Intermediate 1, Intermediate 2, and Advanced. Prior to your admission, you will be evaluated to help us determine the level that most closely corresponds to your current level of English. Class offerings vary each session.

SEMINARS

Dynamic guest speakers will present on current issues and topics of interest. Participants will gain a deeper understanding of worldwide topics and sharpen their global leadership competencies.

“**Best academic courses, best staff, best faculty, and dedicated services for scholars. I cannot find any reason not to recommend the program to my friends and colleagues.**”

SITE VISITS

In order to learn more about best practices and how a variety of sectors have an impact on the quality of life of Missouri citizens, scholars will have the unique opportunity to visit agencies, corporations, and cultural sites to gain a better understanding of American business and government practices.

“**MU has vast resources ranging from agriculture to law and journalism to healthcare. GLP helps me to connect with all of the many resources at Mizzou.**”

BENEFITS *of* **ENROLLMENT**

- **Network and engage with professionals from a variety of other countries in various sectors.**
- **Develop tools and strategies for any profession, position, and situation.**
- **Receive instruction from experienced faculty with years of career experience and education.**
- **Connect with an academic advisor to guide you at any point along the way.**
- **Class schedule provides you with time to experience life in the United States.**
- **School-aged children (as J-2 dependents) will have access to Columbia Public Schools; one of the best public school systems in the state.**
- **Enjoy all that Columbia's vibrant community has to offer: cultural events, nature trails, and authentic Midwest hospitality.**
- **You will become part of our extensive network of impressive alumni members in Asia – once a Tiger, always a Tiger!**



THE SPECIFICS

“ I LEARN FROM THE TEACHERS, BUT I ALSO LEARN FROM MY PEERS. ”



*** CHOOSE 6 MONTHS, 12 MONTHS, 18 MONTHS, OR 24 MONTHS ***

Application Deadline

For Spring Programs: First application deadline: Sept. 1 (decision by Sept. 15)
Second application deadline: Nov. 1 (decision by Nov. 15)

For Fall Programs: First application deadline: Feb. 1 (decision by Feb. 15)
Second application deadline: April 1 (decision by April 15)

Classes typically begin in mid-January and mid-August, with a 6-week winter break and an 8-week summer break.

ELIGIBILITY

- ✓ **Hold a bachelor's degree or higher**
- ✓ **Possess at least 2 years of professional experience**
- ✓ **Have an intermediate level of English**



THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI (Mizzou) is a land grant, AAU (Association of American Universities), flagship university, located in Columbia, Missouri, U.S.A. Established in 1839, Mizzou is the oldest public university west of the Mississippi River, an institution with rich traditions, a physically beautiful campus, and a strong commitment to furthering the tenets of respect, responsibility, discovery, and excellence.

With 13 schools and colleges offering more than 300 degree programs, and a total enrollment of more than 30,000 students, Mizzou is the birthplace of world class research breakthroughs, home to Nobel prize winners, and produces Mizzou-made leaders of tomorrow. Find out more at <http://www.missouri.edu>.

The Asian Affairs Center, created in 1998 by the MU Office of the Provost, reflects the university's formal recognition of cultural, strategic and economic importance of the nations of the Pacific Rim. The center has a mandate to build upon MU's substantial Asian programs, university and alumni linkages, and teaching and research connections in the region to benefit citizens, government entities and businesses in Missouri and the region.

The Missouri International Training Institute (MITI), housed in the MU Asian Affairs Center, was created as a joint venture by the University of Missouri and the Missouri State Department of Economic Development to promote global trade links and provide international professionals and visiting scholars with training programs in numerous academic and professional fields. Drawing upon the wide array of resources available from the university, state and local governments and Missouri corporations, MITI has conducted customized and specialized educational programs ranging from one week to one year in length. To date, our alumni includes more than 3,000 government officials, faculty and professionals from all over Asia.

The instructors all have a wealth of experience and profound knowledge of the subjects they teach. They provide unique perspectives and valuable tools to enhance the overall learning experience.



I would like to recommend the Global Leadership Program to other people because the program not only helped me to learn, and practice English, but also enhanced my knowledge of American, and Asian cultures.

Best academic course, best staff, best faculty, and dedicated services for scholars. I cannot find any reason not to recommend the program to my friends and colleagues.

I was able to realize the way people outside of Korea live, think, and behave. Understand their different views better.

Discussions with scholars from different counties were most useful.

I think I will miss my life here in Columbia. It was an opportunity of lifetime.





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