

## Global Awareness Program (GAP)

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<http://www.international.ku.edu/~oip/gap/>

The Global Awareness Program (GAP) is a KU initiative that recognizes undergraduates' international experiences. Students can have an international experience through study abroad, taking classes with an international focus, foreign language study or participating in international co-curricular activities. GAP is a result of recommendations made by a university-wide task force on internationalization of the University. Undergraduates in any major can earn global awareness certification.

**Students completing this program will have their international experience noted on their official KU academic transcript. They will also receive a certificate from the Office of International Programs.**

In an increasingly competitive global economy, students need evidence that they are prepared to LIVE, LEAD and WORK in a global society. GAP is offering students that advantage. Successful completion of this program is noted by a stamp on the student's transcript.

Students should register on-line at the following website: <http://www.international.ku.edu/~oip/gap/>

Steps in completing the program:

**A. International Experience:** Complete 1 of the following 3 requirements:

- a. Participate in a study abroad program/experience conducted in a foreign language
- b. Participate in an English-speaking study abroad program and complete a foreign language requirement in the academic component below
- c. Be enrolled as an international student at KU

**B. Academic Component:** Complete both 1 and 2 below:

1. Foreign Language: complete 1 of the 2 options below
  - i. A minimum of 1 year or 2 semesters of college level study (or its equivalent) in the same modern foreign language with a grade of C or better
  - ii. Meet the University requirements of English proficiency for an international student
2. International Courses: complete 1 of the 2 options below
  - i. Three courses with a significant modern international focus in three different departments with a grade of C or better (For a list of all approved courses, see the website above).  
Approved courses in Linguistics include:

LING 180 Study Abroad Topics in Linguistics: \_\_\_\_\_

LING 320 Language in Culture and Society

LING 321 Language in Culture and Society, Honors

LING 370 Introduction to the Languages of Africa

LING 470 Language and Society in Africa

LING 543 Language and Culture in Arabic-speaking Communities

LING 572 The Structure of Chinese

LING 575 The Structure of \_\_\_\_\_

- ii. International students must take at least 1 of 3 courses with a significant US focus

**C. Co-Curricular Activities:** Significant involvement (a minimum of 60 units) in co-curricular activities of an international nature and/or participation in service oriented activities with an international focus. Activities include attending presentations, participating in clubs, and a variety of other academic and social activities. See list of activities on the website listed above.