Dear Students,

The application for the Spring 2024 Global Learning Opportunity to Spain will open on October 23 at 9 am CT. Students taking part in the Spring GLO may not enroll in another Spring 2nd 8-week course but will be allowed to enroll in an 11-week course. (GLO counts as an elective for Iowa MBA students and as a business elective for MSBA students.)

Note that the travel dates overlap with MSBA commencement, so taking part in both is not an option.

**Destination: Spain (Madrid and Bilbao)**

Required virtual pre-travel class meetings will take place on Tuesday nights on March 26, April 2, 16 and 23 from 6:30-9:30 pm CT.

In-country class from May 4-11, 2024 (Arrival on May 4 will likely require departure from US a day earlier).

**Application Process**

Complete the [online application](#) by the priority deadline of December 4, 2023 (11:59 pm). *(Application link will be live at 9 am CT on October 23)*

You will need a headshot and your passport information, including a clear scan or photo of the information page, to complete the online application form. If you do not have a current passport, you may still register, but please apply for one immediately. The GLO application form should take about 10 minutes to complete and must be finished in its entirety to submit.

Additional details about faculty, draft itineraries, etc. will be available at [GLO webpage](#).

**GLO Participation Prioritization:**

1. Admitted students (MBA or MSBA) who have not completed a GLO previously
2. Admitted students repeating the experience
   - Two GLOs can count as electives and be used towards degree requirements. If completing more than one GLO, they should be in different regions. Please ask if you have questions about what will count as a second DLO destination.

The timestamp when you submit your completed application will be used for determining priority. A complete online application must be submitted by the **Priority Deadline of December 4, 11:59 pm CT**. You will receive notification of your participation the following week and will be manually registered in the course by Iowa MBA program staff (you will not have the ability to sign up via MyUI--please use the online application instead). The program is open to all Iowa MBA and MSBA students and is limited to 30 students total, so apply early to ensure a spot.

**Costs**

**Program Fee: $1750**

- Billed to your February U-bill
- Non-refundable if withdrawing after January 1, 2024
- The application provides details on what the program fee covers.
- Optional single room supplement is charged to your February U-bill: $688—please indicate in your application if you would like a single.
Some companies will reimburse the portion of the program fee that is related to the business content of the GLO experience. Documentation will be available upon request.

**Tuition:** $2250

- 3 s.h., billed to your January U-bill

**Airfare: on your own** (The cost depends on departure city, but from Iowa current estimates are around $1000. Please do not book until your participation has been confirmed).

**GLO Scholarships**

Students who are planning to participate in a GLO trip and identify with groups traditionally underrepresented in study abroad programs may be eligible for a one-time $1000 scholarship to offset costs of the program fee or airline tickets. This includes but is not limited to:

- Students from racial and ethnic backgrounds that are under-represented on the UI campus
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBTQ+) students
- Students with disabilities
- Students who are the first in their family to attend college or university ("first generation" college students)
- Students who are veterans
- Students with a history of overcoming adversity based on group identification or affiliation

Scholarship applications must be submitted by December 4, 2023. Recipients will be notified by December 15, 2023.

To apply, complete the [GLO Scholarship Application](#) by December 4, 2023. GLO scholarship applications will not be considered if the applicant has not completed the GLO pre-enrollment form by December 4, 2023.

**Participation limited to current students**

- Only students who are officially registered for the GLO may participate during the official dates of the course. No guests are permitted during these dates.
- Some participants opt to extend their trip so guests can join outside the official dates.

**COVID-19 Protocols:** We will be required to follow country-specific rules and regulations regarding COVID-19. This may include mandatory negative tests or proof of vaccination for entry requirements.

Best,
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