

Earn Academic Credit – Global Competence

Students! You can register for **Discovery for Credit** coursework before, during, or after the travel portion of the program. Courses consist of the travel portion of the program combined with an online course. Most assignments are designed to be completed after travel, since they ask that you incorporate much of what you learned during the field experience. We encourage you to log on before travel, if time permits, to get a feel for the course and explore its components. There is a 6-month deadline from the return date of travel to complete all online assignments.

Upon successful completion and the processing of credits, a transcript may be ordered directly from WorldStrides or George Mason University. Transcripts can be submitted to school registrars for consideration or attached separately to college applications or résumés. Students and educators should check with receiving institutions with regard to credit transfer policies.

WorldStrides holds accreditation through multiple regional agencies, including both corporate-level and school-level accreditation through Cognia (formerly AdvancED). This enables our traveling students to earn academic credit in conjunction with travel programs.

Types of Academic Credit

High School Credit

Students who are in grades 6-12 at the time of travel on WorldStrides programs are eligible to enroll in courses to earn high school credit at no additional cost. Courses vary in theme, content, and length based on the travel destination. For in-depth descriptions of courses applicable to your program and to register, go to your MyTrip page and click on the Academic Credit banner.

College Credit

Students who are in grades 9-12 at the time of travel on WorldStrides programs are eligible to enroll in courses to earn college credit in conjunction with our university partnership with George Mason University at no additional cost. Courses vary in theme, content, and length based on the travel destination. For in-depth descriptions of courses applicable to your program and to register, go to your MyTrip page and click on the Academic Credit banner.



Available Courses

Our experience working with successful students in our courses informs our recommendation for choosing the course level that's best for you. These guidelines are quite flexible!

- Global Perspectives 0.5 credit high school
- Global Perspectives 1 CR college
- Global Perspectives 3 CR college

- Students in 6th-9th grade are likely going to enjoy and be successful in the high school course.
- Students in 9th-11th grade are likely going to need to weigh their comfort working in a self-paced environment and choose between high school credit or the 1-credit college course.
- Students in 10th-12th grade are likely going to need to weigh the amount of time they can dedicate to their online studies and their experience with advanced coursework as they choose between the 1-credit and the 3-credit college courses.

How to Register

1. Visit your MyTrip page
2. Click the Academic Credit banner
3. Select your course
4. If you have questions, please email us at discovery@worldstrides.com.

