

**Penn Global Seminar Proposal, 2020-2021 Academic Year  
Departmental Support Form**

*Note: Penn Global is delighted that the instructor listed below has chosen to submit a proposal to develop a Penn Global Seminar. Penn Abroad solicits proposals each year for new Penn Global Seminars. These proposals are reviewed carefully by Penn Abroad staff and a committee made up of representatives from all four of Penn's undergraduate Schools. The committee will not consider proposals that do not have departmental support.*

To be completed by proposing instructor:

**Instructor Name:**

**Instructor Title:**

**Working title for proposed course:**

**Semester that course is to be taught (check one):**

- Fall 2020  
 Spring 2021

To be reviewed and signed by Department Chair or Dean:

**About Penn Global Seminars:**

Penn Global Seminars combine intensive semester-long study with a short-term travel component that is intended to deepen students' understanding of concepts discussed in the classroom. These courses require the same number of contact hours per week as a typical undergraduate seminar, and the travel component takes place for 8 – 12 days during a break period, such as winter break, spring break, or early-mid May. Undergraduates from all disciplines are encouraged to take a Penn Global Seminar during their time at Penn, and these courses are particularly advantageous to freshmen and sophomores, first-generation, low-income students, and students who, for a variety of reasons, are not able to study abroad for a semester or academic year, such as athletes and students with particularly rigorous curricular requirements.

The Penn Global Seminar program represents a partnership between Penn Global and Penn's academic departments; this program could not exist without the support and interest of Penn's faculty, department chairs, deans, and administrative staff. Penn Global Seminars are financially supported by contributions from the Ahmad Fund and the Provost's Global Engagement Fund, and are administered by Penn Abroad.

The Penn Global Seminar program can provide students in your department and School with additional opportunities to study abroad in a structured and dynamic way, and allow them to foster closer relationships with your faculty. The program also provides an avenue for students across Penn to experience what your discipline has to offer, and even consider a major or minor through your department.

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To see a complete list of previous Penn Global Seminars, please visit our website at <https://global.upenn.edu/pennabroad/pgs>.

**Financial concerns and faculty compensation:**

Students who participate in a Penn Global Seminar will pay a \$950 flat program fee, which is a contribution toward their round-trip airfare, ground transportation, accommodations, group meals, excursions, entry fees, translators, and guides. Penn Global will subsidize these costs through financial contributions from the Ahmad Fund and the Provost's Global Engagement Fund. In addition, Penn Global will pay for all faculty expenses related to running the course. A Penn Global staff member will accompany the course to provide logistical and student support in the field. The department's only financial commitment related to the Penn Global Seminar is to compensate the instructor for teaching the course.

Please indicate how the proposing instructor will be compensated:

- This course will be taught as part of the instructor's standard teaching load.
- The instructor does not have a standard teaching load in the department, but the department will provide the instructor with compensation for teaching this course.

**By signing this form, you are stating that the instructor listed above has your support and approval to teach the proposed Penn Global Seminar through your department in the semester indicated above, and that you understand that the course will enroll between 14 – 22 students. Your signature also signifies that you will arrange appropriate compensation for the instructor if the proposed course is approved for development.**

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Signature of Department Chair or Dean  
*Please do not sign your own form*

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Print Name

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Date

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Title