Why Arcadia?

The College of Global Studies at Arcadia University has nine centers around the world with staff and faculty who are dedicated to enriched student learning both inside and outside the classroom. Our goal is to help educate the whole student: enable them to enrich their lives intellectually, through personal development, contextualized academic study, authentic community engagement and the learning of life skills such as leadership, empathy, independence, critical thinking, problem solving, cultural awareness and communication skills.

Through our custom programs, we aim to bring your academic vision to life by facilitating your goals and enhancing the experience for the student in whatever ways we can.

**Program development expertise** - we work collaboratively with you to create a program that meets your goals within budget and leverages the best use of Arcadia’s resources and co-curricular learning opportunities in-country.

**Pre-departure support** - logistics, administration, organization, advice, preparation - student and faculty guidance.

**Health & Safety** team at home and abroad

**Program delivery in-country** - pastoral care, administrative and practical support throughout the program.

**Center support in-country**

» Established local staff - administrative, academic and student life related support; facilities and resources; local networks for health & safety.

» Partner network in-country - to provide, supplement or broaden academic teaching and access to local expertise, depending on the program needs.

» Student life aspects - co-curricular learning events, cultural excursions.

**Post-program support** - logistics, assessment, goal examination, feedback, student awareness and understanding.
Arcadia really understands academics and works very hard to make sure the course objectives can be achieved. I’ve found the staff, both in the U.S. and in Cape Town, to be extremely responsive and helpful. They listen to what you’re trying to achieve and then help to structure the program to meet those goals.

Beth Barnes, Director, School of Journalism and Telecommunications, University of Kentucky

Our Mission

The College of Global Studies at Arcadia University prepares students for lives of informed contribution in a rapidly changing global society. Through strategic institutional partnerships and innovative academic, experiential, and co-curricular programming expressed in diverse and challenging global contexts, students learn to think critically, observe skillfully, reflect thoughtfully, and participate meaningfully.
Your Program Structure

1. Faculty Led

This is your program – you teach it and provide the transcript. Arcadia brings your educational vision to life by facilitating your goals and ensuring your program runs smoothly. We work with your itinerary and program elements to enhance the student learning experience, while taking care of all the rest – from visa and travel paperwork to accommodation, logistics, orientation and health & safety issues. We can also enhance your course with cultural and co-curricular learning from our staff in-country. We can even source local faculty to offer lectures or teach a course.

2. Collaborative

This program model combines your course with an existing Arcadia program. Complement your institution’s course, with a broader community of learners and a wider course offering to meet the needs of a broad range of students. Participants will enjoy all the benefits of an Arcadia program such as co-curricular programming, events, center resources, orientations, accommodation, logistics and pre-departure assistance from our program managers to make all the preparations go smoothly.

If you wish, your students can take all their courses through Arcadia while your school retains identity of the program and control of the admissions process. We will collaborate with you wherever possible to achieve the right program combination for your students.

Past Program Examples

- **Dublin**
  - Taxation & Accounting
  - University of Kentucky

- **London**
  - Healthcare, public health, medicine & history
  - University of Kentucky

- **Athens**
  - Engineering and Humanities
  - University of Missouri

- **Barcelona**
  - Sports Marketing
  - Clemson University
3. Faculty Seminar

A great way to encourage and stimulate the growth of international initiatives on your campus is to structure a staff and/or faculty development program abroad. You can focus this in many ways – demonstrate how different program structures work to support different kinds of learning; how specific study areas, such as STEM, can be treated differently and enhanced in different ways; how different locations bring their own learning advantages beyond the classroom.

PROGRAM EXAMPLES

Belmont Theater in London (Maymester) {Faculty Led}
Course taught by Belmont University faculty; all logistics, accommodation, excursions and orientations delivered by Arcadia.

UT Austin Nutrition in South Africa {Faculty Led}
Summer course taught by UT Austin faculty with guest lectures provided by Arcadia; all logistics, meals, accommodation, excursions and orientations delivered by Arcadia.

Clemson University in Barcelona {Collaborative}
One course from Arcadia in Barcelona Summer, along with a Clemson marketing course taught by a local lecturer sourced by Arcadia.

Earlham University in London {Collaborative}
One course taught by the students’ home school faculty member; remainder of classes from the Arcadia in London spring course selection.
Your Step by Step Program Development Process

1. Program Development

**Academic development:** This initial stage involves a thorough discussion of what you’d like to achieve with your program. By sharing your syllabus or goals and learning outcomes, Arcadia’s local team in-country can make suggestions on how to help achieve those outcomes on the ground - What local connections, resources and knowledge can Arcadia bring to enhance the experience such as excursion suggestions, guest lecturers, local events, learning activities?

**Practical planning:** We research the logistics, health and safety requirements, staffing support, accommodation and administrative necessities of the program - how to transform the program theory into a successful operating program. Are you familiar with the location? What transportation requirements are needed? How will health and safety considerations be tackled? How much will it cost?

**Proposal:** We give you a formal, detailed proposal of how to make your program a reality, which you can then discuss with your stakeholders; from learning outcomes, to implementation and cost breakdowns. Together we can discuss any changes you need to ensure the proposal best fits with your academic goals and your budget.

2. Promotion

We can assist you to recruit students for the program by creating marketing materials and offering advising assistance.

- A university specific web portal with easy access to information on all devices
- Virtual information sessions for students
- Hard copy flyers, leaflets or visuals as needed
- We may also run an information session in-person on your campus

3. Implementation

Once you’ve hit your enrollment minimum and are happy the program will run, Arcadia will set up everything needed to implement your program:

- Secure housing for students and faculty
- Book excursions, activities, meals, events and transportation
- Arrange academic guest speakers
- Prepare orientation and airport pick-up
**Pre-departure**

The Arcadia staff will also take care of all the administrative processes, forms and planning needed for those taking part in the program:

- Form completions eg passport copies, student photos, flight itineraries, visas
- Health & safety details – comprehensive data gathering, any special requirements; Arcadia’s approach; emergency procedures; enrollment in HTH Worldwide Health Insurance
- Host virtual meetings with program leaders and overseas Arcadia staff
- Travel guides and program leader guides

**In-country Support**

Arcadia staff in-country will support you and your students throughout your entire program. Depending on your program, our support can include:

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**Program Evaluation**

We strongly believe in assessing the program after completion to debrief on all aspects of the experience for students and faculty. We can assist in collecting data from students and can meet with you directly to discuss feedback. We also can help students to distill their learning and talk about how they have benefited, changed and grown as a result of their experience.