

GLI NEWSLETTER

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SUMMER 2021 UPDATE

Greetings from San Diego! This summer, the UC San Diego School of Global Policy and Strategy (GPS) is delighted to announce the arrival of our new dean, Caroline Freund. You can learn more about Dean Freund by clicking the link on the following page. Students have also arrived to GPS this summer, including 31 participants in GLI's Summer ESL program.

UC San Diego's [Return to Learn](#) program has made our safe transition back to in-person classes possible. Together with the upcoming [vaccine mandate](#), this program uses an evidence-based system to provide additional controls preventing the spread of COVID-19. Vaccines will be mandatory starting in Fall Quarter 2021, and further guidance will be available to help international students get a vaccine in the US.

On the following page, you'll find the admissions timeline for students intending to start at GLI in Winter Quarter 2022. If you have any questions about the application process, please contact us anytime at gps-gli@ucsd.edu.

You can apply to GLI using the link below:

[**GLI APPLICATION**](#)

GLI ADMISSIONS TIMELINE

The following is an approximate timeline of the admissions process at GLI. Please note that the timeline will vary depending on the specific needs of each applicant.

September 2021 - Submit GLI Application

Applicants can complete the GLI Certificate Program Application Form online and submit supporting documentation through the portal. Supporting documentation includes the sponsor's statement, passport copies, university or college transcripts, and English test scores. GLI staff will contact you within 2 days of receiving your application with your admissions status and instructions to begin your visa processing.

October 2021 - Complete DS-2019 Application

GLI supports professionals on a J-1 or F-1 student visa. Once you are accepted to the GLI program, you will be given a DS-2019 or I-20 application form. The DS-2019 or I-20 is a certificate of eligibility that you must provide to the U.S. embassy or consulate when you apply for your J-1 or F-1 visa. The J-1 and F-1 visa allows professionals to bring eligible family members to the U.S. as J-2 or F-2 dependents. Eligible family members are the spouse of the GLI Professional and their unmarried children under the age of 21.

November 2021 - Visa Interview

GLI staff will support you throughout the visa application process. It is very important that you complete the required forms and keep GLI informed of any changes or updates that may impact your visa application.

December 2021 - Travel to the US

A J-1 visa will allow you and your family to travel to the United States up to 30 days before the program start date, so if you apply early, you'll be able to travel from December 4, 2021.

January 2022 - Begin Program

There will be a mandatory orientation session on January 3, 2022. This is also the first day of classes for Winter Quarter 2022.

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