**Application 2014-2015**

**What is Global Leadership Initiative?**

Global Leadership Initiative (GLI) is a one-year program designed to foster an intercultural community of leaders who are ready to embrace a global perspective, advocate diversity, and make a lasting impact at Ohio State and beyond. Participants will develop a long-term relationship with peers from different backgrounds, gain deeper understanding of different cultural ideas, acquire strong leadership and professional skills, and become better prepared for careers after graduation.

**Who Should Apply?**

All applicants must be current undergraduate students at Ohio State whose degree will not be completed prior to the end of Spring Semester 2015. The cohort this year will consist of 24 members: 12 domestic students and 12 international students.

**Applicants should meet the following criteria:**

* A current student at The Ohio State University attending the Columbus campus for the entirety of the 2014-2015 academic year
* Eager to get involved on campus, to learn and share different cultures, and to take initiative to engage more international students
* Familiar with the resources on campus and demonstrate strong leadership abilities
* Respect diversity, be open-minded, willing to work with people from different cultures, and passionate about promoting an international campus
* Committed and participate in weekly GLI meetings

**Highlights of GLI**

* + Unmatched networking opportunities with university administrators and professional leaders
  + Work in teams on real projects tailored to interest of participants that provide practical professional experience
  + Collaborate with university departments, corporations and organizations in Columbus community
  + Participate in weekly meetings, events, and small group activities to establish life-long friendships
  + Receive advice on future career goals and self-branding for future success
  + Develop strong leadership, team-building, communication, and project management skills
  + Receive a certificate and personalized Letter of Recommendation from the Executive Board upon completion of the program
  + Final award banquet at the end of Spring semester with prestigious guests and current cohort

**Application and Selection Process**

Submitted applications will be evaluated based on the following:

* + Overall quality of the application
  + Demonstrated interest in developing as a global leader
  + Passion to promote an international and diverse campus

**Important Dates**

* All complete applications are due **Friday, March 28 by 5pm**.
* Accepted students will be announced by Friday, April 4, 2014.
* Kick-off event:  TBD (Mandatory)

**Contact Information**

Questions about the program or application process? Please contact us at [gli.oia.osu@gmail.com](mailto:gli.oia.osu@gmail.com)

**Instructions**

Follow these instructions carefully to avoid any difficulty in processing your application. Failure to follow instructions will result in elimination from the selection process.

A completed application must include:

* + General Information Form (within this Word Document)
  + One Page Resume
  + Cover Letter (see below)
  + One Recommendation Letter from faculty member, academic advisor, or staff member

**Cover Letter**

Please give a statement explaining your reasons for wanting to participate in the GLI program. Below are some questions you should address. Your response should be no more than 500 words.

* + How do you view and feel about an international and diverse campus? Why is it important to you?
  + How will this program help you become a better person or leader? How do you think it will help you develop professionally?
  + Why did you choose this program? What things have you accomplished that lead you to apply for GLI?
  + What are some issues or problems you want to address regarding a diverse campus during the year-long program?

\*\* Please email your entire application as **PDF attachments** to [gli.oia.osu@gmail.com](mailto:gli.oia.osu@gmail.com) by

**5 PM Friday, March 28, 2014.**

**Application 2014-2015 General Information Form**

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Anticipated Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are you an International or Domestic student?

**Interests:**

Academic/ Research

Policy and Governance

Activities/ Event Planning

Volunteering/ Community Service

Buckeye Traditions

Ethnic/ Cultural

Media/ Journalism

Communication/Public Relation

Others (please specify):

**Reference Information:**

Please provide reference information of two university faculty or staff member:

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End of Application

**Application Deadline:**

**5 PM of Friday, March 28, 2014**