

Project Center Preference Ratings

Global Projects Program, IQP Application Process 19-20 Cycle



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Important changes have been made this year to the Global Projects Program IQP application process in order to give more students an even greater chance to be placed at a project site they are interested in. Instead of listing a first-choice site, you will rate *all* of the project center/term offerings as **Very Interested**, **Interested**, or **Not Interested**. This way, you will be considered for multiple sites at the same time. With 50 project center/term offerings, there is a lot to choose from!

Here is how to select your **Project Center Preference Ratings**:

1. Know what terms you are available.
More availability=more options=more opportunity to be placed.
2. Explore every option in those terms, even sites you have not heard of.
Be curious, it's a big world!
3. Consider things like language skills, costs, project opportunities, and personal health concerns that could affect where you travel.
4. Evaluate your selections, taking demand into consideration.



Very Interested



Interested



Not Interested

Rating the Sites

You must select *at least 6 choices* in the categories of **Very Interested** and/or **Interested**, *at least 3 of which* must be in the **Very Interested** category. We recommend you explore all Project Center/ Term opportunities and include as many as possible in the **Very Interested** and **Interested** categories.

We strongly encourage you to list more than the required 6 choices in the **Very Interested** and **Interested** categories. The more you list, the better your chances to be placed in a site you're interested in.

For best possible placement results, consider all the options and answer honestly. Because you may be considered for every site that you rate in the **Very Interested** and **Interested** categories, *you should not include any site where you would not be happy to go.*

Considering Site Demand

Each year, some sites receive many more applicants than can be accommodated. These sites are considered higher-demand sites. These sites, along with new site locations, will likely have higher demand this year, as well. **If you include only higher-demand sites in your ratings, you risk not receiving any placement at all.**

Students who are qualified for the Global Projects Program but are not placed in a Project Center will be put on a Wait List. The Wait List placement process is typically concluded by the end of D-term.

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Higher-Demand Sites*

- Bangkok, Thailand
- Berlin, Germany (New for 19-20)
- Bucharest, Romania (New for 19-20)
- Cape Town, South Africa
- Copenhagen, Denmark (A, D)
- Hilo, Hawaii (New for 19-20)
- Kyebi, Ghana (New for 19-20)
- Kyoto, Japan
- London, England (D)
- Lyon, France (New for 19-20)
- Melbourne, Australia (B, D)
- Monteverde, Costa Rica
- Reykjavik, Iceland (New for 19-20)
- San Jose, Costa Rica
- Thessaloniki, Greece
- Wellington, New Zealand
- Windhoek, Namibia (D)
- Zurich, Switzerland

*Based on data from 2018-2019 application cycle, conducted in Fall 2017.