



## ST. MARK'S SCHOOL Global Diploma



"The values of leadership and service, creative, analytic, and cooperative work, and exploring the larger world, which are reflected in our mission statement, are also reflected in what it means to be a global citizen."

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of Global Citizenship, History &  
Social Sciences Department Faculty

**THE GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP INITIATIVE** at St. Mark's School recognizes that a global education is a critical component of a 21st century education. The goal of the Global Citizenship Program, through both curricular and extracurricular offerings, is to help our students see and appreciate the distinctive features and the beauty that exist in the variety of cultures of the world, to appreciate the human universals that make all people more similar than different, and to inspire our students. To meet this goal, the Global Citizenship Program works to provide opportunities for all students to be exposed to global learning through the acquisition of the skills, habits of mind, and knowledge that will equip them to become global citizens.



**THE GLOBAL DIPLOMA** provides the opportunity for those students whose passion lies in the area of global citizenship to deepen their understanding of this topic. Global Diploma candidates will participate in a cohort that meets regularly and encourages reflection on their course of study and local and global engagement. Students will also complete a capstone experience that allows them to translate their curricular and extracurricular experiences to responsible action in the real world. Ideally, students will join the cohort by the end of their first year at St. Mark's School so appropriate course planning can begin. The first Global Diploma will be awarded in 2020. Students interested in this opportunity should meet with Dr. Appell-Warren to begin the planning process.

To learn more about our Global Diploma and the Global Citizenship Initiative, visit [www.stmarksschool.org/global](http://www.stmarksschool.org/global) or email [laurawarren@stmarksschool.org](mailto:laurawarren@stmarksschool.org).



# Global Diploma Checklist

## ACADEMICS

### Required Courses

- TGS: The Global Seminar (if entering as a III Former)
- Advanced Studies in Global Citizenship (as a V or VI Former)
- Modern language proficiency to level four or beyond<sup>1</sup>
- Capstone project
- Participation in the Global Diploma Cohort meetings

### Elective Courses

- Course Selection Approved by the Global Diploma Committee

## COMMUNITY/GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT (you need two of the below)

- Global Ambassadors
- Service Learning program/project/work (local or global)
- Leadership role in the Haiti Partnership, UNICEF Club, Model UN, or other globally focused on-campus program

## INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCY

### Required Participation

- Participation in GCI, SDLC, or White Privilege Conference
- Reflective Essay on each travel and conference experience

### Elective Participation (you need one of the below)

- A St. Mark's travel or exchange program (international)
- An approved independent travel program (international)
- An approved travel program (local)
- School Year Abroad, The Mountain School, Maine Coast Semester, or Brantwood

<sup>1</sup>Students whose focus to date has been in the Classics should discuss a program of study with the Director of Global Citizenship that will fulfill this element of the Global Diploma.