Global Trade and Commerce (Graduate Certificate)

Open a world of opportunities. Be prepared to thrive in a leadership role with an organization that operates globally in business, government or the nonprofit sector. The broad and comprehensive curriculum of this program exposes you to the business, economic and political forces shaping the burgeoning global economy.

Program Description

Degree Awarded: Certificate Global Trade and Commerce (Certificate)
The coursework for Thunderbird's graduate certificate in global trade and commerce is tightly integrated and offers comprehensive coverage of core topics in cross-border business and the exchange of goods. Students gain a strong understanding of how companies leverage their global value chains to achieve competitive advantage.

The school's innovative and practical curriculum, with a strong core of global business management skills, international political economy and cross-cultural training, is delivered through a transdisciplinary approach. Students learn best practices through interaction with faculty engaged in broad-based research and consulting.

Thunderbird School of Global Management has produced unique leaders for more than 70 years, leaders in every sector capable of tackling the world's greatest challenges. The alumni network comprises 45,000 graduates and 170 chapters around the globe.

At a Glance

- College/School: Thunderbird School of Global Management
- Location: Downtown Phoenix
Degree Requirements

15 credit hours

Required Core (6 credit hours)
SCM 541 Logistics in the Supply Chain (3)
TGM 537 State Power, Business Interests and Multinational Trade Agreements (3)

Electives (9 credit hours)

Additional Curriculum Information
Students choose three elective courses from a restricted list. Additional courses may be utilized with approval from the academic unit.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the Thunderbird School of Global Management.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree, in any field, from a regionally accredited institution.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. proof of English proficiency

Additional Application Information
An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency regardless of current residency.

International students who need an F1 or J1 visa first need to apply to and be accepted into a graduate degree program prior to being considered for the certificate program. International students residing in the USA on other types of visas must adhere to all Graduate College policies and procedures regarding admission to be considered for admission to this certificate program.

Applicants must have taken TGM 505 States and Markets in a Global Economy with a minimum grade of "B" (scale is 4.00 = "A") or its equivalent from a regionally accredited institution, from an institution
accredited by a business accreditation organization such as the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, European Quality Improvement System or Association of MBAs, or other institutions with approval from the academic unit.

**Career Opportunities**

Graduates who combined the certificate in global trade and commerce with their major program of study may be more marketable to employers. They often decide to pursue employment in import or export organizations, or government agencies.

Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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