

Application sheet for International Short Programs

Dear student,

We are pleased that you are applying for an International Short Program (ISP) during your WU studies. An international academic experience is essential for the development of your professional, personal, and social skills. It is important to us to enable as many students as possible to participate in an ISP.

Self-reflection is part of an experience abroad and also of the application process. Please reflect on your own goals, suitable programs, the personal development associated with an ISP, as well as your own involvement in the WU community.

The following questions support you to reflect on aspects associated with participating in an ISP. We recommend starting your personal reflection process as soon as you decide that you would be interested in doing an ISP. That way, you will have enough time until the application period.

During the evaluation of your documents, special attention will be paid to the extent to which you have personally dealt with the questions and expressed a certain degree of self-reflection.

Note: This is about your thoughts and your reflection, not about what others wrote or what you think others want to hear. Using AI tools such as Chat GPT is strictly forbidden.

To apply for an International Short Program, you must fill out this application sheet. Please use 3-4 sentences (100 words) per question. Your answers and self-reflection will be the basis for further evaluation by academic advisors (WU faculty members) and the ISP team. For some ISPs, in the second round of the application process, the academic advisors and the ISP team will conduct an interview with you. For all ISPs, the assessment criteria will include: your **Motivation, Engagement, Global Mindset, as well as Personal Impression and Overall Quality of the Application**. Together with the academic score, this assessment, the extracurricular score, will be the basis on which you will be allocated a spot in an ISP.

When answering the questions from this application sheet, please make sure to connect your answers to the information from your CV (wherever relevant or appropriate).

You must upload the following documents:

- Application sheet
- Curriculum vitae
- Proof of work experience, engagement at WU, or other relevant confirmation (if applicable)

Please see the following pages!

1. Motivation

Why do you want to participate in an International Short Program during your studies, and what academic and personal goals do you aim to achieve through this experience?

Briefly describe the specific reasons why you decided to apply for these respective ISPs / this respective ISP.

If you are applying for more than one ISPs, please argue separately for each preference.

First Preference:

Second Preference:

Regarding culture and internationality, what is particularly important for you?

2. Engagement

As a student, you are part of the WU community. If you think beyond studying, what other experiences are important to you at WU? Why would you be a good representative of WU?

Regarding social commitment (e.g. volunteering or tutoring) and practical experiences, do you have experiences at WU or beyond? How will these be useful for spending time abroad / when interacting with students from other cultures?

3. Global Mindset

What kind of international experiences have you had, particularly during your studies (e.g. group work, projects, tandem program, etc.) or in similar contexts?

What did you learn from those experiences? How could these learnings help you with your academic and social life abroad / when studying or working in international settings?

After the International Short Program, how do you think you would benefit from this experience personally?