



EUROPE: THE STEM EXPERIENCE

London, Paris & Geneva

12-DAY PROGRAM

HIGHLIGHTS

- Journey by train from London to Paris and Geneva
- Explore the world-renowned CERN facility in Switzerland
- Visit the iconic Eiffel Tower and Louvre Museum in Paris
- Create your own French perfume at a private atelier du parfum
- Cruise down the Thames River to see London's major landmarks
- Pitch in on a meaningful service project to support a local community
- Visit the prestigious Oxford University and Oxford's Museum of Natural History
- Discover how science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics cross cultural boundaries and borders

ACTIVITY LEVEL

- Light

COMING 2027!

- To be announced!

GET IN TOUCH!

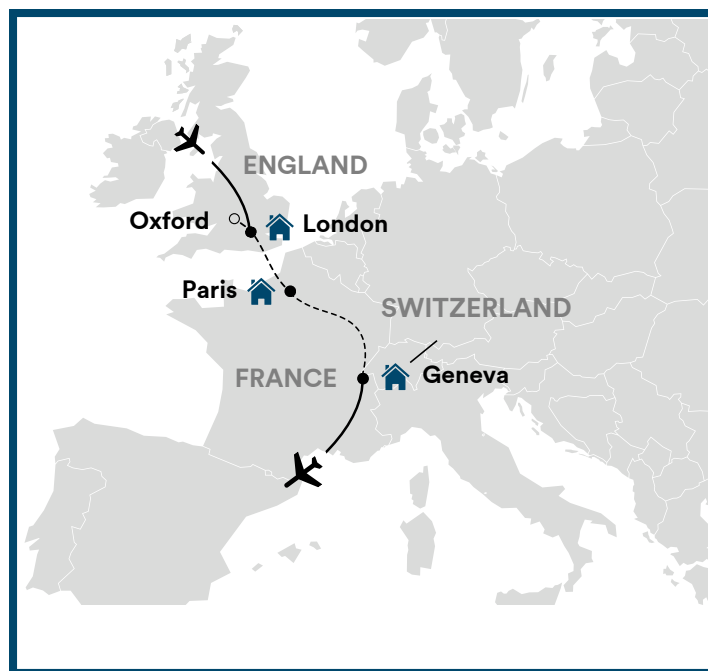
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Travel and science collide as we explore the epicenters of STEM learning in Europe. Discover London, Paris, and Geneva, and visit the iconic CERN facility in Switzerland!



Travel to three cities that are making their mark in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). Your adventure begins in London, the metropolitan hub of Great Britain.

Hop across the English Channel and spend three days in Paris, exploring the 'City of Light,' named for its role in the Age of Enlightenment. Finally, take a high-speed train south to Geneva, home of the United Nations and a historic hub for scientific research in Europe.





ITINERARY

Actual schedule of activities will vary by program session. The information detailed here is typical for what you can expect to experience; however, site visits, activities and service work vary depending upon a number of factors, such as the weather, scheduling and constraints of the location.

DAY 1: ARRIVAL DAY

Welcome to London! Our GLA staff will meet you in the London airport wearing their GLA t-shirts.

We will spend this first day settling into our accommodation and building connections with fellow travelers, our GLA staff and what to expect during orientation. Before we sleep off our jet lag, we will enjoy a local welcome dinner.

DAYS 2-3: LONDON, ENGLAND

Time to dive in to the quirky, vibrant, and cosmopolitan city of London!

Jump into the hustle and bustle of London life by exploring Westminster, where we'll witness the Changing of the Guard Ceremony and marvel at the majesty of Westminster Abbey. Explore iconic sites such as the Big Ben Clock Tower and the Buckingham Palace. Enjoy a traditional British meal of fish and chips at a famous local pub.

DAYS 4-5: LONDON & OXFORD, ENGLAND

Use the investigative methods and your forensic skills to evaluate evidence and collect DNA in a fictional crime scene to determine who is the criminal with a real Scotland Yard detective.

Time to get away from the bustling city of London and towards the gates of one of the most prestigious and oldest universities in the world: Oxford University. Stroll through the cobblestone streets and see the buildings where many famous scientists have lived. Visit the Oxford Museum of Natural History, home to millions of specimens from the natural world.

Return to London for your last night in the city with a show on the West End! Finish your London adventure on a trip to the world-famous Camden Market before you say "Ta ta for now" to London and board our high-speed train to Paris. Our train will travel at nearly 200 miles per hour submerged underneath the English Channel, a true feat of math, technology and engineering!

DAYS 6-8: PARIS, FRANCE

Bonjour Paris! Our days in Paris begin by basking in the endless intersections of art, engineering and culture at every turn. Explore the city like a local by using the Metro, a vast train system that connects the city and surrounding arrondissements or suburbs. Stroll down the streets where your senses are met with the smell of fresh pastries and coffee from local pâtisseries, the sounds of slow jazz wafting through the air from street musicians, and the sights of local fashion as we pass Parisians enjoying conversations at quaint sidewalk cafes.

No Paris visit is complete without climbing the Eiffel Tower, getting lost in the Louvre Museum on your way to see the Mona Lisa, exploring the vast



DAYS 6-8: PARIS, FRANCE - CONTINUED

explore on bicycle of the gardens of Versailles, and trying true French cuisine in the culinary capital of the world!

We will take ourselves off the beaten path and connect deeper with the true heartbeat of Paris by supporting a locally-led community service project alongside local Parisians, aiming to support an underserved community. We'll get lost in the beauty and magic that is the timeless neighborhood of Montmartre, home to the Sacré-Cœur and one of the best vantage points over the city. Paris is a city famous for artists and their influence on the arts, but it also is home to the biggest science museum in Europe, the Cité des Sciences et de L'Industrie, where we will attend an astronomy talk in the Planetarium and see our solar system up close.

We'll conclude our Parisian adventure with a visit to an authentic French atelier, where you'll create your own personalized fragrance with the guidance of a professional perfume maker. You'll learn all about the chemistry behind the art of perfume making, and your custom scent will be registered, allowing you to revisit this memory for years to come.

Shout "Au Revoir, Paris" and jump on the train to Geneva!

DAYS 9-11: GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

Geneva, the worldwide center for diplomacy, is a hub in Europe for politics and science. This tremendously influential city has been the home of the United Nations since 1936. Here we will learn what it means to have "an air of peace and the winds of freedom." Gain this new perspective on a guided visit to the United Nations Palais de Nations. Dive into the fascinating Universe of Particles as we are guided through the iconic museum of the European Council for Nuclear Research (CERN) to learn more about the contemporary physics being explored at this state-of-the-art facility.

As we appreciate the scientific breakthroughs that have been made here in Geneva, we will also take time to enrich ourselves in Swiss culture through one of the best ways we can connect with a culture, food! We will have a chocolate-making workshop, try some traditional fondue, and take a plunge into Lake Geneva! Before you even know it, the journey traveling through some of the most influential cities in art and science comes to an end.

Adieu and à la prochaine, till next time!

DAY 12: DEPARTURE DAY

Before we know it, our STEM adventure has come to an end. Head to the airport with incredible memories, new friends, and confidence that will benefit you for life!

GLA staff will accompany travelers to the airport and check them in for their flights home. As you settle into your seat for the journey home, reflect on the things you saw, the people you met, and places you went. We'll see you on your next adventure!

PROGRAM SPECIFICS

- **Tuition:** \$6,699
- **Service Hours:** 5
- **Ages:** 14 - 18
- **Student-to-Staff Ratio:** 6-to-1
- **Accommodations:** Youth hostels/Hotel Blocks
- **Arrival and Departure Airport**
 - London Heathrow (LHR) Arrival
 - Geneva (GVA) Departure



GLA HOME BASE

Students will have various Home Bases throughout the program due to its travel-focused nature, including youth hostels or hotel blocks.

Youth hostels offer dorm-style accommodations with AC, en-suite bathrooms and common areas. All hotels are 3-star, featuring en-suite bathrooms, AC and rooms with 2-6 beds.

GLA HOME BASE OVERVIEW

- Pool
 - GLA Home Base 1: London - No
 - GLA Home Base 2: Paris - No
 - GLA Home Base 3: Geneva - No
- Air conditioning
 - GLA Home Base 1: London - Yes
 - GLA Home Base 2: Paris - Yes
 - GLA Home Base 3: Geneva - Yes
- Remote
 - GLA Home Base 1: London - No
 - GLA Home Base 2: Paris - No
 - GLA Home Base 3: Geneva - No



FOOD

Experience the wonders of the most diverse food cities of the world! In London, enjoy classics like fish and chips, hearty pies, or trendy street food from markets like Camden. Paris offers delicious croissants, crêpes, and baguette sandwiches, along with sweet treats like macarons. In Geneva, savor Swiss specialties like cheese fondue and rich Swiss chocolate, making for a tasty and memorable food adventure across these famous cities.

NOTICE ON PROGRAM UPDATES

While this program is being planned for this season, some activities or details may change between now and the program start date. Please note that references from past participants and previously published information may not accurately reflect every aspect of this program. Refer to the sample itinerary above or to the GLA website for the most up-to-date version of program activities, and please note that further updates may be made between now and the program start date.



CLIMATE

In June and July, London, Paris, and Geneva enjoy warm, pleasant weather, making it ideal for summer travel. London sees mild temperatures with a mix of sunshine and occasional rain. Paris is warmer, perfect for outdoor activities and exploring the city's landmarks. Geneva offers similar temperatures, ranging from 60°F to 80°F (16°C to 27°C), with clear skies and stunning views of Lake Geneva and the Alps. Overall, it's a great time to visit these iconic cities.



LEADERSHIP

Global Leadership Adventures started as an educational institute, so we continue to think and act like educators—not tour operators—as we deliver life-changing programs. We intentionally weave a leadership curriculum into the daily experience on our programs. Through group discussion, meaningful service, workshops, speakers and excursions, staff guide students to reflect on program events through the lens of leadership, and celebrate outstanding examples of leaders they encounter in the local community. Lending this context to the experience creates opportunities for students to dig deep into their vision, purpose and knowledge of themselves and the world.



ABOUT GLOBAL LEADERSHIP ADVENTURES

Global Leadership Adventures was founded in 2003 by Fred Swaniker, a native of Ghana, TED Fellow and educational entrepreneur whose work has been praised by Barack Obama. Born as a global extension of the revolutionary African Leadership Academy, Global Leadership Adventures now operates programs centered around leadership, sustainable community service projects, and meaningful travel across Africa, Asia, Europe or the Americas. Through life-changing adventures, we strive to inspire the next generation to realize their potential to transform the world and their role in it.

GLA HAS BEEN FEATURED IN:

The New York Times



USA TODAY



NBC NEWS

The Boston Globe

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OUR EXPECTATIONS

BE PRESENT | Our mission at GLA is “to inspire the next generation to realize their potential to transform the world and their role in it.” To that end, we expect GLA students to maintain high standards of personal behavior and to be open-minded. The culture may be different, sometimes shockingly so. GLA will challenge students as they are expected to work hard and be present physically and mentally for all activities. We also ask students to take a step back from regular use of technology - particularly their smartphones - so as to maximize their engagement with the program and their fellow participants. Students may get hot, dirty and bug-bitten along the way, but their contribution can transform the community. The goal is for each student to return home having had a life-changing experience.

NO TOLERANCE | GLA has a no-tolerance policy towards drugs, alcohol, tobacco and disruptive behavior. Those who violate or are suspected of violating this policy will be immediately dismissed from the program at the sole discretion of GLA staff.

COMMUNITY-LED EXPERIENCES | GLA makes every effort to offer thoughtfully crafted programs for teens and young adults. Detailed planning and exhaustive communications with partners are indispensable parts of our program development process. However, occasionally service and activities are adjusted from session to session, due to weather, changing needs of our local community partners and/or various cultural celebrations and customs. We expect participants to be open-minded and flexible, willing to embrace the experience when plans change. GLA makes every effort to communicate adjustments to students and families with advance notice. We expect you to be open-minded and flexible.

MENTORSHIP | GLA is not a therapy program. Our staff are highly skilled, professional, caring and fun, but they are not licensed therapists. GLA programs can be physically and emotionally demanding, and applicants should be in good physical and mental health.



ESSENTIAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

At Global Leadership Adventures, we welcome age-eligible teens who are excited about the opportunity to travel to apply for our programs. To ensure a safe and meaningful experience for everyone in the group, we follow essential eligibility criteria. While our intent is not to be exclusionary, it's important to note that GLA programs are not therapeutic programs and are not able to support struggling teens seeking behavior or mental health outcomes.

Applications are carefully considered and screened to align with these criteria. It is not uncommon for GLA to require supporting documentation or information in the application screening process to confirm eligibility or suitability for program participation. Failure to disclose full medical history may also result in the application not being accepted, additional fees, and/or removal from the program. Please discuss with our team for any further clarification or concerns and visit <https://www.experiencegla.com/policies/essential-eligibility-criteria/> to view the full essential eligibility criteria list.



WE'RE HERE TO HELP

CONTACT US | Want to learn more about Global Leadership Adventures and our available programs? Our Admissions Team has expertise and insights into our slate of program offerings, and we're happy to answer any questions you might have. We have collectively visited or staffed many of our GLA programs around the world, and we have advice to share on everything from getting your travel documents together to what a typical day on a program is like. Call us at 1-858-771-0645 any time during office hours for assistance.

ENROLL NOW | We encourage you to enroll on your 1st choice program as early as you can! In fact, our most popular programs fill up early every year, and many students end up putting off the quick and easy application process only to end up on the waiting list. The best way to ensure that you save your spot is to place your deposit and apply early. You can easily enroll online at www.experiencegla.com/enroll.

