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LETTER FROM THE DEAN

Welcome to Purdue University Global’s School of Business and Information Technology, where we prepare the students of today to be on the leading edge of technological advancement tomorrow. Our degrees are designed to maximize your talent while preparing you for professional growth in a fast-paced, high-tech society.

What does it take to be successful in today’s technology-driven economy? In addition to technical knowledge, career success demands excellent skills in leadership, teamwork, communication, and professionalism. We emphasize these practical skills in every course, while building the specialized IT knowledge to get the job done. That’s because we believe that while a degree is important, it doesn’t become powerful until you know how to use it in the real world.

Learning online at Purdue Global is a dynamic, hands-on, interactive experience. You have the benefit of accessing your virtual classroom with the latest technological and curricular developments from anywhere in the world, while also being able to connect with thousands of IT professionals, students, and professors. Our students enjoy many opportunities for networking and collaboration through course activities, clubs, professional organizations, and special industry events.

Technology is changing the way we learn, communicate, work, and live. I hope you will join us on this incredible journey and prepare to stay ahead of the curve. I look forward to welcoming you to our community.

Jeffrey M. Buck, PhD
Dean, Purdue University Global
School of Business and Information Technology

MEET THE DEAN
Jeffrey M. Buck, PhD
PhD, University of Mississippi
MBA and BS, Ball State University

Jeffrey Buck brings more than 20 years of teaching and higher education administration experience to his role as dean of the School of Business and Information Technology. As a faculty member, he earned tenure as a marketing professor and taught internationally in Lithuania. In addition, Buck has extensive experience at the director and executive levels in higher education, primarily working with adult and graduate programs. In his leadership roles, he has championed the development and implementation of several academic initiatives to include an online Master of Business Administration (MBA) program, post- and pre-MBA certificate programs, a concurrent MBA/Master of Science in Technology (MST) program, a joint MBA/Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program, and an MBA program designed for Filipino nurses. Buck maintains an active research agenda. His current research interests include organizational commitment, services marketing, and factors impacting adult student satisfaction and success. He has been published in academic journals such as Innovative Higher Education and the Journal of Applied Business and Economics. Buck is active with the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), having held and continuing to hold a variety of leadership positions at the regional and national levels. Buck served in the U.S. Army and has a daughter currently serving in the U.S. Air Force.
THE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AT PURDUE GLOBAL

COMBINE TECHNICAL AND BUSINESS SKILLS TO DRIVE A SUCCESSFUL CAREER IN I.T.

Technology is revolutionizing our world. The school you choose should be leading that change—challenging you to grow as a professional, as an innovator, and as a leader in your industry. In addition to technical knowledge, advancing in the field of IT demands the ability to strategize, think outside the box, adapt to industry changes, and drive change.

Employment opportunities in the computer and information technology sector are on the rise. Purdue Global’s School of Business and Information Technology can help prepare graduates with the strong technical foundation and business skills to start or advance careers in application and software development, information security, database management, cloud computing and solutions, and government and private enterprise.

Purdue Global’s IT degrees and certificates are designed to help you keep pace with the ever-evolving technology landscape and industry trends.

FACULTY WITH REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE
Many of our instructors have experience in the IT industry and bring real-world knowledge to the classroom.

CURRICULUM REVIEWED BY IT PROFESSIONALS
Our courses are regularly monitored to ensure current industry alignment.

CAREER SKILLS BUILT INTO CURRICULUM
At Purdue Global, we understand that a single unit or lesson on “people skills” is not enough to equip you for success. That’s why core courses in our information technology degree programs include exercises designed to build skills such as leadership, teamwork, professionalism, networking, and more.
ONLINE LEARNING THAT’S COMPREHENSIVE AND INTERACTIVE
Programs include virtual labs, seminars, student/instructor feedback, discussion boards, group activities, and more.

GREATER CONFIDENCE WITH THE PURDUE GLOBAL COMMITMENT
We stand behind our academic quality. The Purdue Global Commitment allows undergraduate students to attend classes for an introductory period with no tuition obligation beyond the nonrefundable application fee.¹

TANGIBLE RESULTS OF WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED
Having an e-portfolio of your best coursework can be a great help in your job search, especially if you are new to the industry. As a student in Purdue Global’s School of Business and Information Technology, you’ll have the opportunity to create a “build-as-you-go” online website to showcase your projects and demonstrate the applicable skills you have learned.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE CAN BE PART OF YOUR PROGRAM
In today’s economy, it’s important to have relevant experience to get ahead in IT. We understand that. But how can you gain experience if you are just starting out or changing careers? Purdue Global’s virtual and on-ground internship opportunities can help you build your resume while you earn college credit. Internships offer practical job experience in the field of IT as well as the opportunity to enrich your IT skills.²

LEARNING ONLINE, BUT NOT ON YOUR OWN
Online learning has a reputation for being a solitary experience. That’s not the case at Purdue Global. Many courses in the School of Business and Information Technology include live, online group meetings with your professor and classmates every week. This is just one of the ways we use technology to help you feel more engaged in class and offer you opportunities to interact with fellow students of all backgrounds.
Successful IT careers are built around a combination of technological skill, industry knowledge, and business acumen. The fast-paced, constantly changing industry demands not only that you have the most current knowledge on the latest developments but also that you have the skills and social intelligence to apply it effectively. Our programs are designed to offer you comprehensive, specialized knowledge in your focus area while also providing the general IT and professional competencies relevant to career advancement. In addition, our information technology programs are thoroughly evaluated by industry professionals to ensure our curriculum is current and our students have access to real-world experience.

Purdue Global offers a variety of graduate and undergraduate IT degrees and certificates designed to prepare you for career success.

**GRADUATE**

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CYBERSECURITY MANAGEMENT**

Purdue Global’s master’s degree in cybersecurity management is designed to prepare you for leadership roles directing and protecting critical information infrastructures.

**PROGRAM OUTCOMES**

- **Evaluate** theories, framework, principles, and best practices related to cybersecurity science and technology by assessing and reviewing recent cybersecurity literature and industry publications.
- **Demonstrate** the maturity to develop research topics based on underlying cybersecurity principles learned throughout the master’s degree program.
- **Analyze** data using statistical principles for the purpose of developing and/or supporting a hypothesis.
- **Apply** appropriate theories, including Request for Comments (RFCs), within cybersecurity science and technology to evaluate and mitigate risk in contexts of uncertainty.

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

High-level careers in the field of information technology demand a blend of “hardcore” technical skills with the “people skills” to lead organizations, make tough decisions, impact the bottom line, and stay one step ahead of the competition. Our Master of Science in Information Technology program focuses on helping students develop the relevant skills for sustainable career success in the fast-changing field of IT.

**PROGRAM OUTCOMES**

- **Lead** teams and organizations in managing information systems and their business outcomes.
- **Develop** efficient, effective, and secure systems solutions.
- **Secure** an organization’s digital assets and intellectual property.
- **Manage** scope, schedule, and resources to deliver quality information systems projects.
- **Evaluate** information systems’ legal, ethical, social, and global implications to ground decisions and optimize social outcomes.
- **Create** business intelligence for use in evidence-based decision making.

**CONCENTRATIONS**

- Business Intelligence and Analytics
- Information Security and Assurance
- Project Management
UNDERGRADUATE

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CYBERSECURITY

Purdue Global’s bachelor’s degree in cybersecurity is designed to help you master the fundamentals of cybersecurity, applying industry-accepted and emerging practices to solve real-world security problems.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Apply current tools and methodologies to secure systems.
Analyze users’ security issues.
Design secure information systems.
Evaluate information security trends, practices, and products.
Measure and assess risk management practices and policies for an enterprise network.
Maintain confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information systems.
Demonstrate an understanding of the importance of professional development in the field of cybersecurity.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Apply current technical tools and methodologies to solve problems.
Analyze users’ technical issues.
Design information systems.
Evaluate IT trends, practices, and products.
Assess the potential impact of information systems and technology on business processes.
Apply project management practices, tools, and methods.
Recognize the ethical considerations for IT professionals locally and globally as they develop in their careers.

CONCENTRATIONS

- Information Security and Assurance
- IT Management
- Network Administration
- Programming and Software Development

Concentrations are described in detail in the following section.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CLOUD COMPUTING AND SOLUTIONS

Purdue Global’s bachelor’s degree in cloud computing and solutions is designed to help you manage mobile commerce, network web services, develop websites, and master the foundational goals of advanced cloud computing functions.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Apply current technical tools and methodologies to create cloud solutions.
Evaluate cloud computing trends and best practices.
Design secure cloud information systems.
Analyze users’ cloud requirements.
Assess the potential impact of cloud-based information systems and technology on business processes.
Apply project management practices, tools, and methods to cloud solutions.
Maintain confidentiality, integrity, and availability of cloud computing systems.

DISCOVER EXCELTRACK™: A FASTER, MORE AFFORDABLE WAY TO EARN YOUR BACHELOR’S DEGREE

Earn the same Purdue Global degree—only faster and for less money with ExcelTrack™. Designed for highly disciplined, self-motivated learners with professional knowledge, ExcelTrack™ is centered around hands-on career experiences and builds on the skills and knowledge you’ve already mastered. You have the freedom to speed up or slow down your learning based on your schedule and personal learning path. Move quickly past the topics you know and focus only on skills you need to learn. ExcelTrack™ programs include: Bachelor of Science in Information Technology and Bachelor of Science in Cloud Computing and Solutions.

Note: concentrations are not available in the ExcelTrack™ program.
ACCELERATED MASTER’S DEGREE OPTION
Planning to pursue a graduate degree? Earn a minimum grade in key courses in your bachelor’s degree in IT or cybersecurity program and you’ll qualify for shortened versions of our master’s degrees in IT or cybersecurity management. This combined bachelor’s-to-master’s option saves you money and takes less time than completing each degree separately. Speak to a student support staff member for details and eligibility requirements upon enrollment.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

PROGRAM OUTCOMES
Use technical skills and methods to solve problems.
Analyze users’ technical needs.
Construct information technology solutions.
Understand technology trends, practices, and products.

CONCENTRATIONS
• IT Generalist
• Networking
• Programming and Software Development
Concentrations are described in detail in the following section.

UNDERGRADUATE CONCENTRATIONS
Concentrations enable undergraduate students to personalize their degree plans to gain specialized knowledge and experience in their desired career field or occupation.

INFORMATION SECURITY AND ASSURANCE
The information security and assurance concentration includes networking and network administration, intrusion detection and response, digital forensics, and both fundamental and advanced systems security courses. Digital forensics concepts and techniques are used to analyze forensic data and investigate security breaches. You will also study how to develop network security policies and procedures and implement solutions that provide protection against system attacks. Coursework is designed to prepare you to take the CompTIA Security+ exam, the EnCase Certified Examiner (EnCE) exam, or the Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) exam.4

IT GENERALIST
If you are interested in exploring all aspects of the IT field, consider the IT generalist concentration. Designed to prepare students for a wide variety of entry-level positions in the industry, coursework focuses on networking, database management, programming, and web development.

IT MANAGEMENT
Students who select this concentration can choose from advanced electives in diverse areas such as certified ethical hacking, CISSP, application development, project management, and information system security.

NETWORKING AND NETWORK ADMINISTRATION
Computer networking courses focus on administration skills for both the Linux and Windows operating systems. In addition, operating system concepts, technology infrastructure, network design, and network security coursework feed a wide variety of IT certificate programs. Courses within the concentration could help prepare you to sit for certification exams including CompTIA’s A+, Network+, and Linux+.4

PROGRAMMING AND SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT
Developing software is a 360-degree process that involves both front-end and back-end design and coding. In today’s world, software development encompasses stand-alone applications, web development, and smartphone and mobile development. Our programming and software development concentrations span all of these domains and allows you to focus on the following programming language strands: C#, Java, or a combination of PHP, Javascript, HTML5, and CSS for web development.

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATES

POSTBACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATES
• Cisco Networks
• Computer Forensics
• Information Security
• Microsoft Operating Systems
• Programming and Software Development

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE
• Information Security
CAREER OUTCOMES

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY KNOWLEDGE BACKED BY CAREER SKILLS

Courses in the bachelor’s degree programs integrate the business skills that play a role in expanding your professional opportunities: networking, leadership, professionalism, teamwork, negotiation, personal branding, coaching, and mentoring. New business models may require that employees are adept at managing projects, virtual teams, and relationships. At Purdue Global, the way you learn mirrors the way you work, so you are constantly refining the skills relevant to a career in today’s competitive job market. While you increase your technical competence, you also have the opportunity to develop the management and communication skills to empower career success.

REAL RESULTS THAT YOU CAN SHOW EMPLOYERS

How do you take everything you have learned and use it to show employers what you’re capable of? By building an e-portfolio that highlights your best coursework and technical accomplishments. We will help you create a “build-as-you-go” online website to showcase your projects and demonstrate your skills.

Schedule and Start Dates

We’ve found that traditional fall and spring start dates don’t exactly meet the needs of our student population. For your convenience, start dates occur throughout the year.

RESOURCES

At Purdue Global, our focus is your success. Take advantage of the many resources available to help you succeed in the classroom and beyond.

ADVISORY BOARD

The School of Business and Information Technology relies on the skills of a strong IT advisory board, as well as educators and employers, to continually review the curriculum and program offerings.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The School of Business and Information Technology’s internship program enables you to learn about the IT career field through regional (local) or virtual internships.

ASSOCIATION FOR COMPUTING MACHINERY (ACM) AND ACM WOMEN IN COMPUTING (ACM-W)

Purdue Global is home to a chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) and ACM Women in Computing (ACM-W), the world’s largest national educational and scientific computing society. This organization delivers resources that advance computing as a science and profession.

HANDS-ON VIRTUAL LABS

Remotely accessible virtual labs enable you to experience real-time learning in more than one platform while utilizing current software on the market. These learning labs are intended to simulate real-world, on-the-job situations and allow you to practice skills relevant to the workplace. As an example, graduate students may use our virtual labs to gain tangible experience in such areas as configuring active directories, creating user accounts and assigning access, testing applications for usability, and implementing security access controls. The labs also help you build a portfolio of diverse learning skills.

Engaging and interactive, our platform, technologies, curriculum, and community are all designed to build both your technical and “soft” skills. Our students benefit from access to the latest technological advancements while also enjoying opportunities to collaborate with fellow students and IT professionals.

FACILITATED SOFTWARE DOWNLOADS

Select software is available as free downloads from the Internet or through Microsoft’s DreamSpark™.
UNCOMPROMISING SUPPORT

Purdue Global students receive personal academic support from day one to graduation. From a highly engaged faculty to technical support, you have access to the assistance to help you achieve your academic goals.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Student support staff provide the following types of individualized support:

- Access to resources and academic tools
- Degree planning and selection of concentrations
- Answers to questions about your program
- Motivation to stay on track to graduation
- Course selection and registration
- Helping you handle issues before they become problems

TUTORING SERVICES AND ACADEMIC SUPPORT CENTERS

Purdue Global offers rich academic support through a suite of tutoring services. Our Writing Center, Math Center, Technology Center, Science Center, and Business Center provide subject-specific assistance. Depending on the center, services include:

- Live tutoring for one-on-one support from professors and professional tutors
- Subject support including an essay review service
- Workshops covering a wide range of topics
- Podcasts, self-paced tutorials, and additional resources

CAREER SERVICES

Career Specialists emphasize the practical, tangible steps you can take for results in the real world. Career Services offers:

- Career planning to ensure a personalized approach to pursuing your career goals
- Resume and cover letter reviews, mock interview assistance, and networking advice
- 24/7 availability of the Career Services portal on Purdue Global Campus, which includes job postings and career services tools
- On-demand access to relevant information on résumé writing, interviewing, networking, and more
- A mentoring program to help connect you with alumni in your field

CENTER FOR DISABILITY SERVICES

The Center for Disability Services is responsible for the coordination of services for students with disabilities. Students seeking reasonable and appropriate accommodations may request, through student support staff, to be placed in contact with the Center for Disability Services. Students may also directly contact the Center for Disability Services.

PURDUE GLOBAL UNIVERSITY
STUDENT EXPERIENCE

OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE

Purdue Global’s Office of Student Life offers programs and services aimed at helping students engage in their program of study outside the classroom and providing both personal and professional growth opportunities.

Organizations offer students many opportunities to connect with their peers and faculty outside of the classroom. Some advantages include:

- Networking with peers and industry professionals in your field
- Leadership opportunities and development
- Recognition of your academic achievements
- Personal growth opportunities through wellness programs
- Engagement in your program of study outside the classroom

COMMUNITY

Some courses include live, online group meetings with your professor and classmates every week. This not only helps students feel more engaged in class, but also simulates real-world career environments in which collaboration, communication, and teamwork are sought-after skills.

CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING

The knowledge and skills you already have could help you save time and money on your degree. Purdue Global offers several pathways to help you earn credit for your prior learning:

- Transfer of eligible credits earned at an accredited institution
- College credit opportunities for work and life experiences
- Competency assessments to earn course credit
- Credit for eligible professional certifications
- PME2Degree program that awards college credit for military training

To apply for credit, you must first submit official transcripts, course descriptions, and supporting documentation to the Office of the Registrar. Visit Catalog.PurdueGlobal.edu for the Prior Learning Assessment policy.

Note: Graduate students are not eligible for experiential credit or credit by examination.
ADVISORY BOARD

The School of Business and Information Technology Advisory Board is a diverse panel of successful IT professionals who advise the School on matters associated with industry trends, curriculum development, and education initiatives, including externship opportunities for students, and support community-building efforts.

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Fran Cain, Information Technology
Dr. Elizabeth Chase, Enterprise Technology
Daniel Chrystal, Leadership, Pastor, and Community Services
Stephanie Drouillard, Information Technology Manager
Joe Flannery, Marketing and International Business
Mel Fulton, Business Intelligence
Andrew Kilshaw, Leadership and Management
Anne Lapkin, Information Technology
Jeremish (Jeremy) LaPlante, Student Member
Kenneth Lay, Finance
Grant Leary, Information Technology and Recruiting
Joni Norby, Higher Education
Suzanne Pruett, Student Member
Denis Saulnier, Innovation and Product Development
David Smith, Information Technology, Leadership, and Innovation
Dr. Simon Szykman, Cybersecurity
FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

In addition to academic credentials, Purdue Global’s School of Business and Information Technology faculty members have significant professional experience in their fields. They bring you knowledge gained through the powerful combination of higher learning and industry experience.

Many IT faculty members hold PhDs as well as industry certifications, such as CCIEs, CISSPs, or PMPs, depending on the discipline they teach. All faculty members possess at least a master’s degree.

Full-time faculty members include scholarship and research as part of their annual development plan, which helps ensure their expertise stays up-to-date for the classroom and for you.

RHONDA CHICONE, PHD
At Purdue Global, Rhonda Chicone teaches IT and cybersecurity courses and is responsible for design and course creation of the master’s degree in cybersecurity management program. Her background includes 27 years of experience in the software industry, taking on roles as a software engineer, software architect, engineering manager, vice president of engineering, chief technology officer, chief security officer, and president. Chicone publishes and presents at national conferences frequently.

Education: PhD, Northcentral University; MS, Kent State University; BS, Youngstown State University
Research Interests: Cybersecurity, cybergames and competitions, software development and quality assurance

CAROL EDWARDS-WALCOTT, PHD
Carol Edwards-Walcott teaches various undergraduate courses in information technology at Purdue Global and serves as a course leader and faculty advisor for student organizations. She has been a professor of information technology for 10 years and her research has been published in a variety of journals. In 2017, Edwards-Walcott completed a study on interactive technology use and student persistence in eLearning classes.

Education: PhD, Northcentral University; MEd and BIT, American Intercontinental University
Publications: Proquest, Journal of Online Higher Education (JOHE); peer reviewer for MERLOT, eLearning Institute
Certifications: CAEL certified portfolio evaluator
Research Interests: eLearning, education technology, student persistence, student engagement

SUSAN FEREabee, PHD
Susan Ferebee has been a professor in the information systems discipline for over 15 years and has been with Purdue Global (formerly Kaplan University) since 2010. In addition to teaching graduate courses in writing and cybersecurity at Purdue Global, she serves as dissertation chair to a number of doctoral students outside the University. Prior to moving into teaching and research, Ferebee worked at Intuit, Lucent Technologies, AOL, and Tier3.

Education: PhD, Nova Southeastern University
Honors and Achievements: 2017 Faculty Scholarship Award (Kaplan University), 2017 McJulien Scholar Best Paper Award (AECT International Conference), 2017 Best Conference Presentation (Academic Forum), additional teaching and research honors
GLEN JENEWEIN, MSIT

Glen Jenewein is the director of undergraduate internships for the School of Business and Information Technology at Purdue Global. In his classes, he focuses on ways to use new technology to enhance the student learning experience. Jenewein has worked as a professor in the technology field for over 15 years, including as the director of distance learning at Clark College in Vancouver, Washington. He was also a full-time professor at Portland Community College, where he taught in the computer information systems program and served as the chair of the department. Before his academic career, Jenewein spent 8 years in the U.S. Navy as a communications officer and was instrumental in establishing communications from South Pole, Antarctica to Paramus, New Jersey, for the National Science Foundation.

Education: PhD, Oregon State University (in progress); MSIT, Western Oregon University; BS, University of Nevada

Research Interests: Convergence and impact of video elements in the online learning environment

LYNNE WILLIAMS, PHD

Lynne Williams has taught IT courses for over 20 years and joined Purdue Global (formerly Kaplan University) as a full-time faculty member in 2007. She teaches graduate courses in IT with an emphasis on cybersecurity and oversees numerous innovations in curriculum, including modularized curriculum and competency-based programs. Williams started her academic career at the University of New Mexico and has taught at Northern New Mexico Community College and Santa Fe Community College. Her research has been published in a variety of journals and books and she has been cited for her expertise on cybersecurity and online privacy issues.

Education: PhD, Capella University; MSIT, Capella University; BA, New Mexico State University

Publications: Computer Technology Review, Technomy, Computer World

Honors and Achievements: 2014 Outstanding Full-Time Faculty Member (Kaplan University), additional teaching, research, and service honors

Research Interests: User attitudes and involuntary reactions toward information security

“Work on your transferable skills. Skills that you can use in any specialty such as oral and written communication, organization, critical thinking, networking, time management, confidence, office productivity software, presentation, attention to detail, etc. These skills can be used in all business arenas.”

CAROL EDWARDS-WALCOTT, FACULTY MEMBER

School of Business and Information Technology
CAREER ADVICE FROM HR PROFESSIONALS

COMMUNICATION SKILLS RANK HIGHEST AMONG EMPLOYERS

The Student Advisory Report from the School of Business and Information Technology, in collaboration with the Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM), focuses on insights from top employers across various industries.

HR professionals from across the country weighed in on the key personality attributes and professional skills they look for when hiring individuals to fill business and information technology (IT) positions. Some of the key findings are illustrated in the infographic.

IF I WERE YOU...
Career Advice From HR Professionals

Purdue Global’s School of Business and Information Technology and the Society for Human Resource Management surveyed employers across the country. Here’s what they say about key personal and professional skills when it comes to hiring in business and IT.
PAYING FOR SCHOOL

EXPLORE YOUR FINANCIAL OPTIONS BEFORE YOU MAKE ANY DECISIONS

FINANCIAL AID
Our Financial Aid Office works with you from enrollment to graduation to ensure you understand your financial options and to help you plan the most efficient use of financial resources. We will help you craft a personalized financial plan that meets your particular needs.

Prior to enrolling at Purdue Global, you are encouraged to explore all available financial options, including employer tuition benefits, military tuition assistance, and tuition reductions.

Financial aid is available to those who qualify. Financial aid awards vary depending on individual student eligibility and need.

LOANS (SUBJECT TO ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS)
• Subsidized Federal Stafford Loan (Undergraduate Only)
• Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan
• Federal PLUS Loan
• Alternative Loans

OTHER AGENCIES AND PROGRAMS FOR ELIGIBLE STUDENTS
• Promise Jobs
• Veterans Administration Benefits
• Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
• Workforce Investment Act
• Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES)

TRY OUR CLASSES BEFORE YOU OWE ANY TUITION

WE STAND BEHIND OUR ACADEMIC QUALITY
Purdue Global wants you to make an educated decision about your education. As a new undergraduate student, the Purdue Global Commitment gives you a chance to experience real classes before deciding if you will stay and pursue your studies. If you withdraw during the introductory period, you will have no financial obligation beyond the application fee.
MILITARY OVERVIEW

SUPPORTING MILITARY MEMBERS, VETERANS, AND THEIR SPOUSES

If you or your spouse served in the U.S. Armed Forces, Purdue Global provides support to help you reach your educational and career goals—whether military or civilian.

• Reduced tuition for servicemembers, including National Guard and Reserve, spouses, and veterans
• College credit for DANTES/CLEP exams and eligible military occupations or training
• Specially trained staff within our Military Student Support Center who understand military culture, procedures, and complex military educational benefits
• Compliance with Executive Order 13607, establishing principles of excellence for educational institutions serving servicemembers, veterans, their spouses, and other family members
• Special deployment policies if you must drop a course or take a leave of absence due to a deployment or change of orders

ABOUT PURDUE GLOBAL

Building on Purdue’s mission to provide greater access to affordable, world-class education, Purdue University Global delivers a fully personalized online experience that’s tailored to working adults. By opening the doors to adults who need flexibility to fit learning into their busy lives, we make it possible to earn a degree from a school within the respected Purdue University system—completely online. ⑨

Purdue Global offers more than 180 programs at the associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral levels, with courses taught by highly respected faculty members who are experts in their fields. Our dedicated faculty and support teams are here every step of the way to help you achieve your goals, providing one-on-one mentoring, educational advising, and comprehensive career services to graduation and beyond.

ACCREDITATION AND APPROVALS

Purdue Global is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission. This accreditation covers all academic programs, all regional locations, and all programs provided via distance education. For more information, please visit the HLC website at www.HLC.commission.org or call 800-621-7440.

Purdue Global is authorized under federal law to enroll nonimmigrant, alien students.
CONTACT US

If you have questions about admissions requirements or financial aid, or need help determining which program is right for you, contact an Advisor.

Call 844-PURDUE-G or visit www.PurdueGlobal.edu.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer and gainful employment information, visit Info.PurdueGlobal.edu.

1. Classes count toward a degree if satisfactorily completed. No credits are earned if the student withdraws during the introductory period (3 weeks for new qualifying undergraduate students), which begins day one of the first term. Students who choose to continue their studies at Purdue Global will need to meet specific requirements. Graduate programs not included. Additional terms may apply to international and non-U.S. citizen students. For further information, see the University Catalog.

2. Purdue Global cannot guarantee employment or career advancement.

3. ExcelTrack™ is designed to advance your progress based on existing knowledge; however, degree pace and time and cost savings will vary by individual. Students must enroll in a minimum number of credits per term to remain eligible for financial aid. Refer to the Financial Information section of the University Catalog for additional information.

4. Students are responsible for understanding the requirements of optional certification exams. The University cannot guarantee students will be eligible to sit for or pass exams. In some cases, work experience, additional coursework beyond the Purdue Global program, fieldwork, and/or background checks may be necessary to be eligible to take or to successfully pass the exams.

5. The internship provides the student with a supervised onsite or online learning experience in conjunction with an online course. The student is responsible for participating in locating, selecting, and obtaining an agreement with an appropriate site that best fits their location preferences and meets program requirements. Students are required to speak with the program’s staff to determine your exact responsibilities and process for site selection.

6. Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit. See the University Catalog for the Prior Learning Assessment policy.

7. Testimonials were obtained by Kaplan University. Purdue University acquired Kaplan University in March 2018 and created Purdue University Global, which is following the same curriculum format and instructional delivery methods as Kaplan University. The views and opinions expressed are those of the individual.

8. Purdue Global may be eligible to be an approved training provider for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) student aid. Students must contact their local WIA One-Stop Centers or their Local Workforce Investment Boards to determine training program eligibility.

9. Some Purdue Global programs are not 100% online; some programs require you to gain hands-on experience in a real-world work environment. Contact an Admissions Advisor for additional information.