

GLEE ACADEMY

GLOBAL LEARNING THROUGH ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE
FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS & EARLY-CAREER PROFESSIONALS

JUNE 21 - JULY 2, 2027
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN



Spend your summer in the U.S. exploring cutting-edge Engineering projects and experiences!

- **Who should apply?** International undergraduate students and early-career professionals in engineering, STEM, and business. No prior engineering coursework required.
- **Tackle real-world challenges** in sustainability and healthcare technology.
- **Gain technical skills** in embedded programming, solid modeling, and advanced manufacturing.
- **Connect** with local industry and community through tours, cultural activities, and guest speakers.
- **Build** global networks with students and faculty.
- Your GVSU graduate opportunities:
 - Earn a **GVSU Graduate Badge in Design Thinking**
 - Earn **1 graduate credit toward the M.S. in Engineering via Prior Learning Assessment**
 - **Two full Graduate Assistantship positions** reserved for eligible GLEE participants for Fall 2027

OPPORTUNITY TO EARN A FULL SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATE STUDIES!

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Presented by the Padnos College of Engineering:

A two-week, hands-on, residential summer experience at Grand Valley State University combining engineering design, technical workshops, industry connections, cultural exploration, and community engagement.

Program Details

- **Dates:** June 21 – July 2, 2027
- **Location:** Grand Valley State University, Michigan, USA
- **Eligibility:** International undergraduate students in engineering, STEM, or business and early-career professionals within 3 years of graduation
- **Fee:** \$2,000/student (\$2,200/student after March 1, 2027)
 - Includes: housing, meals, tuition and supplies, cultural and educational trips, letter of invitation, final reception, and graduation
 - Not included: airfare, visa application fee, and incidentals
- **Housing:** On-campus housing experience included in the program fee

Why GLEE at GVSU?



Learn by Doing

Work in teams to tackle real-world challenges through design, building, prototyping, and problem-solving.



Connect Beyond the Classroom

Meet industry professionals, explore Michigan, engage with community, and build international networks.



Explore Your Future

Gain insight into graduate education and professional pathways while experiencing GVSU firsthand.

Listed as one of
"America's Top Colleges"
Forbes Magazine (2024)

94%
Graduates Employed After
Graduation

Your GLEE Experience

- Hands-on team design sessions and project workshops
- Real-world projects focused on sustainability and healthcare technology
- Technical workshops in embedded programming, solid modeling, and advanced manufacturing
- Industry tours, local professional connections, cultural activities and guest speakers

Your Opportunities

- **Two full Graduate Assistantship positions reserved for eligible GLEE participants starting Fall 2027**
- Earn a GVSU Graduate Badge in Design Thinking
- Earn 1 graduate credit toward an M.S. in Engineering
- Develop transferable skills in design, teamwork, and problem-solving
- Build an international network of students, faculty, and industry professionals

Application & Next Steps

- **Applications open September 2026**
- Deadline: February 15, 2027
- Rolling admissions; limited seats available
- Payment due within 1 week of acceptance (refundable with proof of visa rejection)



APPLY EARLY!

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