

MA in Climate Change and Global Sustainability

Passport, Flight & Visa Information

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General Flight Information

This document is designed to assist you in making your travel arrangements. An essential part of your preparation for your program includes obtaining the proper travel documentation for your international stay. Please read this document carefully to determine if you need to take immediate action to prepare for travel.

You are responsible for booking your own travel to and from the program locations. In addition, it is your responsibility to read and understand the terms and conditions for your airline ticket(s), to reconfirm your flight reservations in advance of the day of travel, and to be aware of airline and TSA regulations for baggage size and contents. SIT is not responsible for additional charges you may incur due to airline schedule changes or other travel-related reasons.

Once you have finalized your travel arrangements, please upload your flight details into the confirmation portal no later than 30 days prior to departure; this will ensure that SIT staff knows when to expect you.

Please note that medical insurance provided to you through SIT Graduate Institute covers you only while you are outside the US and while you are enrolled with SIT. This coverage is not in effect while you are in the US during any component of the program. All students should carry their own travel accident and illness insurance while traveling independently before or after official SIT programming and US students should maintain coverage in the US throughout the course of their program.

General Passport Information

To participate in this program, you will need a signed passport that is valid for at least six months after the end of the practicum period.

- If necessary, apply for a new passport or renewal immediately.
- US Citizens: consult [U.S. State Department information](#) for passport processing times and application procedures.
- Non-US Citizens: contact your local passport office.

Students are responsible for their own passports. Please make a copy of the first two pages of your passport (one of which has your photo), and your visa (if applicable), and store in a separate location than your passport. Throughout the term, students should always keep a copy of their passport and visa on their person.

General Visa Information

A visa is an official endorsement from a foreign government permitting entry into and travel within a particular country or region for a specified period of time. A visa may be glued or stamped directly into an applicant's passport or be on a separate paper for insertion into the passport. It may be obtained before departure or upon arrival in country.

You are responsible for complying with all visa procedures and deadlines. Keep in mind that procedures and fees are subject to change at the discretion of the embassy or consulate with jurisdiction over your application. Students should double-check visa procedures.

Issuance of visas is at the sole discretion of the applicable consulate or embassy; SIT assumes no responsibility for the issuance or denial of any visa.

Additional Documents Required for Travel

- Passport
- Letter from SIT
- Health Insurance Information

Iceland Arrival & Departure Information

ICELAND ARRIVAL	ICELAND DEPARTURE
August 19, 2025	November 13-14, 2025
Keflavik International Airport (KEF)	Keflavik International Airport (KEF)
Program staff will meet you outside customs exit, please try to arrive prior to 12pm (Noon)	SIT staff will assist you in returning to the airport

Notes: At arrival in Iceland, SIT will arrange and cover the expenses of transportation between Keflavik Airport and Reykjavik, overnight stays in Reykjavik, and group meals in Reykjavik. In addition, SIT will arrange and cover the expenses of group transportation between Reykjavik and Ísafjörður for program arrival in Iceland and program departure from Iceland.

If you are a US citizen, **arrival prior to the start of the program is NOT possible nor is it possible to remain in-country after the program ends.** Students will receive a 90-day tourist visa for the [Schengen zone](#) (a group of 26 European countries.) The program includes the full 90 days in Iceland. It is important to note that the 90-day visa applies to the entire Schengen zone, not just Iceland so any travel prior to or after the stay in Iceland to the Schengen zone will not be possible. You must wait six months to enter the Schengen zone again after a 90-day stay.

AIRLINE INFORMATION

The following airlines provide consistent reliable service to Keflavik International Airport: **Iceland Air, Delta, SAS, Lufthansa, and EasyJet.**

NOTE: If you are unable to find suitable travel arrangements which will allow you to arrive at the specified date and time, please contact your admissions counselor as soon as possible—BEFORE you make any reservations.

ICELAND VISA INFORMATION

Students with US passports:

For this program, students with US passports will receive a **90-day tourist** entry stamp upon arrival.

As noted above, Iceland is party to the [Schengen Agreement](#), this means that US citizens can enter Iceland for up to 90 days without a visa, and if you don't have a return ticket, you may be denied entry. You must leave Iceland after the conclusion of the program and wait six months to return to the Schengen Zone or you may be turned away at the border.

Students with non-US passports:

Students without a US passport may be subject to additional or different requirements for obtaining a visa or meeting other conditions of entry into the country. Many countries require individuals to apply for visas in person at the relevant embassy or consulate located in their country of citizenship. We strongly recommend that you contact the embassy of Iceland very early in the process to confirm visa and/or entry requirements applicable to your country of citizenship and determine next steps while allowing plenty of time to apply.

Tanzania - Zanzibar Arrival & Departure Information

ZANZIBAR ARRIVAL	ZANZIBAR DEPARTURE
January 15, 2026	April 13, 2026
Zanzibar International Airport (ZNZ/HTZA)	Zanzibar International Airport (ZNZ/HTZA)
Program staff will meet you outside baggage claim	SIT staff will assist you in returning to the airport

Notes: SIT will arrange and cover taxi expenses between Zanzibar Airport and Garden Lodge Guest House in Stone Town where students will be staying during orientation. In addition, during program orientation SIT will arrange and cover group ground transportation, group meals, and overnight stays in Zanzibar.

Please note that you cannot arrive early to Zanzibar because you will be staying there on a 90-day visa which is the maximum stay allowed in Tanzania on a business visa.

AIRLINE INFORMATION

The following airlines provide consistent reliable service to Zanzibar airport: **Emirates (Fly Dubai), Qatar, Ethiopian, and Turkish.**

Arrival prior to the start of the program is NOT possible. It is also NOT possible to remain in-country after the program ends.

TANZANIA- ZANZIBAR VISA INFORMATION

Students with US passports:

For this program, students should NOT apply for a Tanzanian visa while in the US. All students with US passports will obtain a **90-day Business Visa** in the Zanzibar International Airport upon arrival. The fee is **250 USD** paid via a major credit card in the airport. **A Business Visa (NOT a Tourist Visa) is appropriate for US students studying in Tanzania.**

Students with non-US passports:

Students without a US passport may be subject to additional or different requirements for obtaining a visa or meeting other conditions of entry into the country or countries listed above. Many countries require individuals to apply for visas in person at the relevant embassy or consulate located in their country of citizenship. We strongly recommend that you contact the embassy of Tanzania very early in the process to confirm visa and/or entry requirements applicable to your country of citizenship and determine next steps while allowing plenty of time to apply.