

This pre-arrival and orientation guide has been produced for students who are coming to study at Georgian American University (GAU) from outside Georgia. It provides practical guidance on coming to live in Tbilisi and study at GAU from an international student perspective and information on some of the University's central support services. Its intention is to complement

Introduction to Georgia

Georgia, Georgian Sakartvelo, is located at the eastern end of the Black Sea on the southern

The Caucasian barrier protects Georgia from cold air intrusions from the north, while the country is open to the constant influence of warm, moist air from the Black Sea. Western Georgia has a humid subtropical, maritime climate, while eastern Georgia has a range of climate varying from moderately humid to a dry subtropical type. Georgia's location and its diverse terrain have given rise to a remarkable variety of landscapes. The luxuriant vegetation of the moist, subtropical Black Sea shores is relatively close to the eternal snows of the mountain peaks. Deep gorges and swift rivers give way to dry

The Georgian language is a member of the Kartvelian (South Caucasian) family of languages. It has its own alphabet, which is thought to have evolved about the 5th century, and proudly stands between 13 other existing alphabets around the world. A few other Caucasian languages are spoken by minority groups, most of them are dialects, but many are unwritten.

Georgian food is arguably one of the world's most underrated cuisines, featuring flavors from Greece and the Mediterranean, as well as influences from Turkey and Persia. This Georgian food guide is drawn from experiences traveling across the country — visits to local markets,

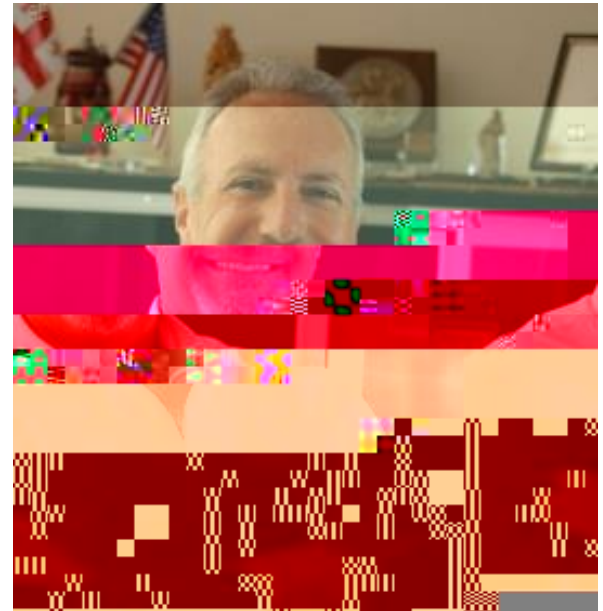
About GAU

„It is my great honor and pleasure, on behalf of the owners, administration and staff to introduce Georgian American University, better known as GAU!

With faculties of Business; Law, Social Sciences & Diplomacy; Informatics & Engineering; Humanities & Liberal Arts; and Medicine - we strive to remain at the forefront of theoretical and practical knowledge, thereby bringing a unique educational experience to each and every student.

We commit to working together to help you reach your potential and do all we can to prepare you for a successful and rewarding professional career.

Thank you for your interest in GAU and know we are always available to discuss the opportunities and advantages of studying at our esteemed University.“



Providing education based on advanced scientific-research and practical-teaching models, leading research and innovative activities. By providing equal opportunities - by strengthening knowledge, skills and universal values and recognizing social responsibility, promoting the development of society and the global integration of the country through the creation, accumulation and sharing of knowledge.

In its long-term perspective, GAU takes on the responsibility of creating a tolerant, collaborative and innovative environment where students and faculty can help:

- Contribute to the intellectual, cultural and socio-economic development of our society;
- Creating, storing and transferring knowledge using the main advantages of the University in the educational space;
- Transformation of acquired knowledge into practice and application of skills developed in accordance with the qualifications at all necessary levels;

- Development of professionals with high social and moral responsibility;

From its origin, GAU has experienced many changes, challenges and successes. Where the market so demands, new pJTJ4Edg(k)5(am(ex54(a)9(lveex54be)8(we)-4(d)-4TJETQq0.00000912 0 612 792 reW

Law BA Program

Law MA Program

Law PhD Program

Diplomacy BA Program

Diplomacy MA Program

Since 2005, the Georgian American University (GAU) serves to establish international standards of education, develop competitive professionals and successful individuals.

GAU's team consists of highly qualified Georgian and foreign specialists. Experienced lecturers create a friendly atmosphere for students. Professors of GAU belong to the small number of Georgian scientists whose scientific articles are published by international peer-reviewed impact-factor journals. Among GAU's foreign professors are scientists of the leading universities in the United States and Europe. Along with the lecturers, the students are also conducting research in GAU's research centers.

The core values of GAU's academic philosophy are small classes and ideology-free environment. "Student-per-Teacher Ratio" is 8, establishing a high standard in the region and exceeding European university quality indicators.

There is an Ombudsman Office in GAU, which guarantees full protection of students' rights and freedoms.

GAU's location, modern infrastructure, green park and large parking areas make a comfortable environment for university life. GAU continuously improves and modernizes its facilities and equipment.

GAU is distinguished with innovations, such as QUANTS (Quantitative Finance), the first legal clinic in Georgia, the ultra--modern IT laboratory- GeoLab, professional English language programs; and the

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Student Services

GAU offers to the students' exchange programs with different universities around the world. The number of European and US leading universities, as well as the number of international organizations with which

How to apply?

The following is a step-by-step guide to all the things you need to do before you arrive in Georgia.

Applying to Georgian American University (GAU) is a quick and easy process. We intend to respond to all applications with an initial decision within one week, although this can take longer at certain times of the year.

For most of GAU's programs, you can apply at any time during the application period. However, because the number of places may be limited, we strongly recommend that you complete your application as early as possible. The earlier you complete your application, the earlier you will receive a decision on your admission.

In order to be eligible for university studies at GAU, applicants must demonstrate that they meet the English requirements for the program at B2 level. Applicants can demonstrate that they meet the English language requirement through:

You need to consider the fact that although you have been admitted to GAU, it does not mean

Ground of registration (a minor aged under 16 years is registered at living address of parents, guardian or other legal representative and therefore, the ground of registration is not required);

Identity document (ID card of foreign citizens, birth certificate and etc.)

Receipt certifying the payment service fee

Contact

The International Student Admission Office is the first stop for all newly enrolled international students. Our staff is responsible for providing support to every registered international applicant and fulfill the needs of students from different countries and educational systems. We're here to answer your questions and guide you through specific processes.

Working hours: Monday through Friday, 9am – 6pm

Address: 10 Merab Aleksidze Str., 0160, Tbilisi, Georgia

E-mail: admissions@gau.edu.ge

(+995 32) 220 65 20 (210)

International accreditation

National Medical Commission (NMC) is an Indian regulatory body of 33 members which regulates medical education and medical professionals. It replaced the Medical Council of India on 25 September 2020. The Commission grants recognition of medical qualifications gives accreditation to medical schools, grants registration to medical practitioners, and monitors medical practice and assesses the medical infrastructure in India.

GAU received an official accreditation from 2017 and is listed among the foreign universities recognized by the National Medical Commission of India.

Accommodation

GAU does not provide accommodation, but the admission team can recommend numbers of websites to find corresponding apartments. We would recommend following platforms

<https://www.myhome.ge/en/> OR https://ss.ge/en/real-estate?utm_source=sagme.ge&utm_medium=redirect

Depending on a district, size of the flat and number of the residents, the rent can vary between 200-1000\$.

Traveling around GAU

GAU is located in one of the central districts of Tbilisi (Saburtalo), 10 Merab Aleksidze Str. The

There are so many destinations in Georgia choose from, so this list will help you narrow it down to the 5 top places to visit in Georgia:

Perhaps the most recognizable icon of Georgia, the Gergeti Trinity Church stands guard over the Kazbegi region from its perch on a hillside just under Mount Kazbegi. You can access Kazbegi as part of a day trip from Tbilisi (here is the best tour to book if doing that). Alternatively, you can opt to drive the route from Tbilisi along the Military Highway yourself and stay overnight in Stepantsminda town, allowing you get up early to beat the crowds and catch the morning sun glistening off Trinity Church. You're sure to work up a hunger during the climb, so be sure to stop over in Stepantsmida on your way back for some delicious Georgian khachapuri to fill you up.

Telavi is located in the heart of Kakheti, the historical area of eastern Georgia, in the valleys of the rivers Iori and Alazani.

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Telavi is located in the most beautiful Alazani valley on the slope of Tsvi-

Mtatsminda Park was once the third-most-visited entertainment center in the 1990s. Today, the family-friendly landscaped park—with its carousels, waterslides, roller coaster, and Ferris wheel—remains a popular destination for travelers and locals looking for a day of fun and leisure.

Despite having undergone countless reconstructions over the centuries, Tbilisi's Old Town has somehow retained its picturesque charm. With a colorful blend of Eastern and Western styles, the district's cobblestone streets, ancient landmarks, and beautiful balconies draw architecture, history, and culture enthusiasts from around the world.

Once a Persian citadel, the ancient Narikala Fortress dominates the Tbilisi skyline.

Bank account

Pre-arrival checklist

1. Health - If you receive on-going medical treatment and / or medication, obtain a letter from the doctor in your home country (in English) with the details as it may be useful for your new doctor. Check whether you can take your medication on your flight and through customs;
2. Finances - Consider how much money to bring to Georgia (and whether your home country restricts the amount of cash that can be taken out of the country). Ensure you have sufficient money in cash / credit card to cover your expenses until you have opened a bank account. Establish whether your current bankcard, if applicable, can be used in the Georgia and whether your bank can provide any advice about transferring money here.
3. Transportation - Plan your onward journey to Georgia. Consider baggage restrictions on your flight. Check any restrictions on goods that can be brought into Georgia. Consider travel insurance. Check current covid19 requirements for entering Georgia :
<https://www.geoconsul.gov.ge/HtmlPage/Html/View?id=2131&lang=Eng>
4. Preparing to study - Review course handbooks and curriculum;
5. Living in the Georgia - Consider whether you need an adaptor for any electrical equipment you intend on bringing to Georgia. Consider Georgian climate:
<https://www.climatestotravel.com/climate/georgia>
6. Bring passport photos – you might need them for various things in the first weeks.