

**We need students who are knowledgeable about the world and who have an understanding of how other cultures work and how other people think.**

Tony Evers, PhD  
State Superintendent

**For more information go to:**  
[www.globalwisconsin.org](http://www.globalwisconsin.org)

**Web resources include:**

- References and resources.
- A list of participating schools.
- Video testimonials from employers and community leaders.
- Approval forms.

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## **The Wisconsin Global Education Achievement Certificate (GEAC)**

*Inspiring and preparing  
students to be globally  
competent*



## The Need

- We live in a global marketplace.
- Wisconsin communities and employers need globally competent citizens and employees.
- Students are hungry for global learning experiences.
- They are already globally connected on the Internet and in many other ways.
- Today's young people are the "First Globals."

## Wisconsin's First Globals

- Are aware, curious, and interested in the world.
- Can see the world from different perspectives.
- Communicate effectively in two or more languages.
- Change their world and improve conditions

## What Is It?

The **Wisconsin Global Education Achievement Certificate** is awarded to graduating high school students who have demonstrated a strong interest in global issues by successfully completing a global education curriculum and engaging in co-curricular activities and experiences that foster the development of global competencies.

## Requirements

Students graduating from high school may be awarded the distinction of Wisconsin Global Scholar if they have completed the following requirements:

- Four (4) credits in one world language.
- Four (4) credits in courses with global content. One credit may be one year of a second world language.
- Reflections on eight (8) books (fiction or non-fiction) with global content or four (4) books plus four (4) reflections on art, music, or film.
- Participation in school wide global activities.
- A minimum of twenty (20) hours of global service learning.

## Implementation

The Wisconsin Global Education Achievement Certificate is a voluntary and locally controlled program for high school students. It does not require additional funding. DPI approval is necessary to establish the program and award the distinction of Wisconsin Global Scholar to graduating students. The approval form and further information are available online at [www.globalwisconsin.org](http://www.globalwisconsin.org).

## Benefits

### For Students:

- A Certificate of Completion with the state superintendent's endorsement.
- Distinction for college and employment applications.

### For Schools:

- Attractive curriculum options.
- A vibrant global school community.

### For Community and Employers:

- A strong pool of high school graduates with skills for the global marketplace.
- A community that values worldwide connections.