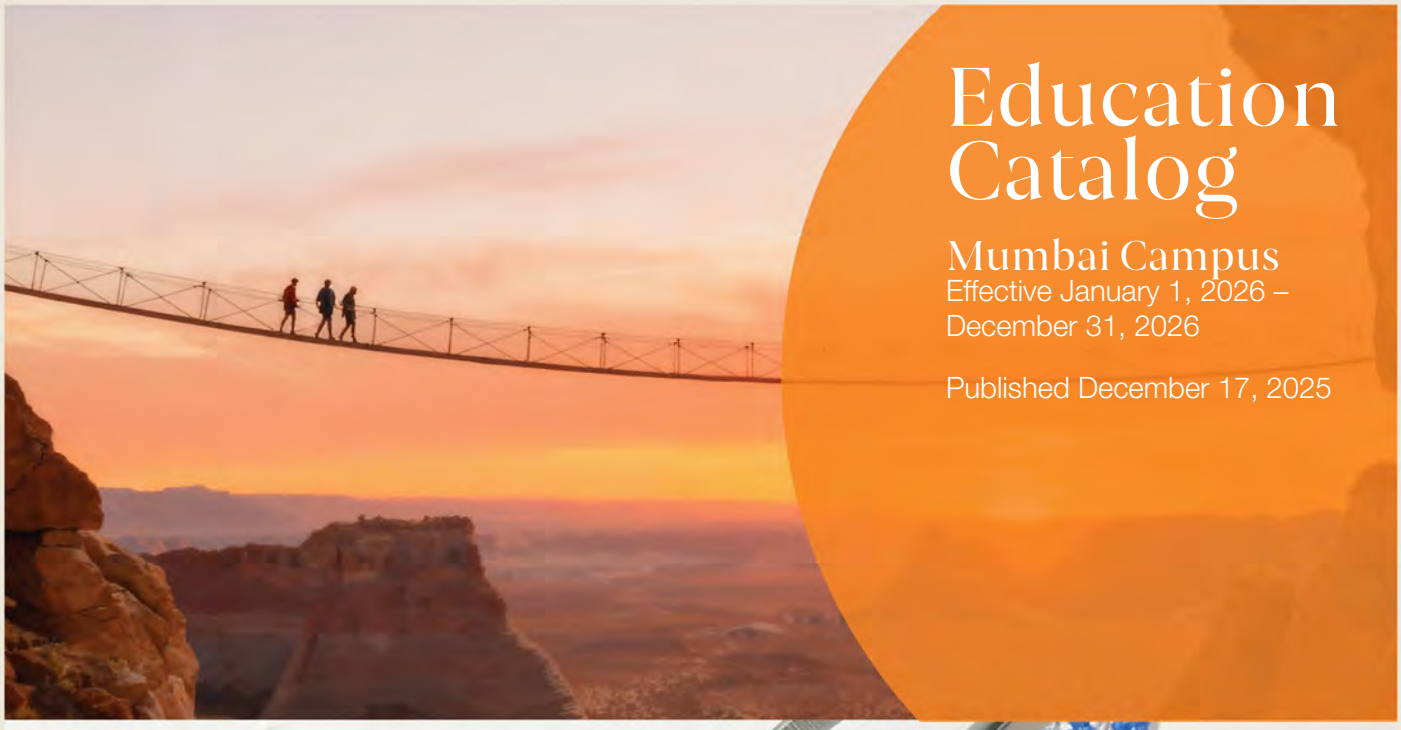
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2026 Catalogue Addendum

India Catalogue

Catalogue amended 2026 Education Catalogue - India Campus, Vol. 1.8
Effective date(s) As specified for each revision below.
Application As specified for each revision below.

This addendum is part of the 2026 Education Catalogue for India and must be read together with that catalogue. In the event of a conflict between the catalogue and this addendum, the provisions of this addendum shall control.

Change to Applicant Eligibility

Effective with new applications submitted on or after October 1, 2026, GIA India will not accept an application from an individual who requires a visa to attend a programme, course, or class offered by GIA India.

This change does not apply to current students or to individuals who applied before the effective date. Their eligibility and enrolment status will continue to be evaluated under the catalogue and institutional policies in effect when their application was submitted.

Catalogue Provisions Superseded

The following provisions of the 2026 Education Catalogue are revised as stated below:

Page	Catalogue reference	Revision	Effective Date
3 and 53	Table of Contents and Index	References to International Visa Requirements, International Student Support, International Student Advising, Student Visas, and Visa Requirements are removed.	October 1, 2026
6, 40	Welcome Message, GIA Alumni Collective™	Revised the global alumni network total from 165,000 to 185,000	October 28, 2026
10	Faculty and Education Management	Revised the titles for Kelly Yantzer (Vice President, Global Education Administration) and Corey Rosso (Vice President, Global Strategy and School Operations).	October 28, 2026
12	India Campus Contacts	The reference to visas within the description of Admissions services is removed.	October 1, 2026
32	International Visa Requirements	The section is deleted and replaced by the applicant eligibility policy stated in this addendum.	October 1, 2026
37	International Student Support	The section is deleted in its entirety.	October 1, 2026

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Page	Catalogue reference	Revision	Effective Date
44	Dismissal Policy	The sentences addressing the visa status and advising of dismissed international students are deleted.	October 1, 2026

No Other Changes

Except as expressly stated in this addendum, all other information, policies, requirements, and disclosures in the 2026 Education Catalogue remain unchanged and in effect.

For questions regarding this addendum, contact GIA India Admissions at eduindia@gia.edu, 1 800 419 9914, or +91 22 4085 1500.

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Welcome Message

Growing up in a multi-generational family jewelry business, I always knew GIA would shape my future. Looking back now, I can say with certainty that a GIA education opened the door to a rewarding career filled with opportunities I never could have imagined.

When I completed the Graduate Gemologist program, I gained more than knowledge and credentials. I gained the confidence to shape my own path and a network of fellow alumni who continue to inspire, support, and guide me to this day.

My career began at Tiffany & Co., where I advanced from sales professional into management. Today, I have the privilege of serving as Senior Vice President and Chief Learning Officer at GIA.

While my journey is uniquely mine, it reflects something many GIA alumni share: a GIA education is transformative. It equips you with skills, credibility, and connections that open doors across the gem and jewelry industry. It was the best investment I made for my future, and I believe it can be the same for you.

From gemology to jewelry arts, our programs provide the knowledge and expertise you need to excel in your chosen field. Whether your path leads to sales, manufacturing, design, appraisal, or auction, you will graduate prepared for success. GIA alumni hold influential roles across every sector of the industry, and with a GIA diploma, you will be ready to step into that world with confidence.

Beyond what you learn in our programs, you will also join a powerful global community. The GIA Alumni Collective®, more than 165,000 strong across 59 chapters worldwide, is here to celebrate your achievements, share knowledge, and connect you to opportunities that will shape both your career and your life.

As you explore this catalog, I invite you to imagine what's possible for your future. At GIA, you will find the foundation, the inspiration, and the community to achieve your dreams. The world of gems and jewelry is waiting – your journey begins here.

Warm regards,

Cathryn Ramirez, GIA GG
Senior Vice President & Chief Learning Officer



Cathryn Ramirez, SVP and Chief Learning Officer - ©GIA

Mission and History

Mission Statement

GIA's mission is to transform students into the trusted gem and jewelry professionals and makers of the future through flexible education.

Educational Values

GIA education ensures the public's trust by delivering the highest-quality gem and jewelry education in the world. At the heart of GIA education are the following guiding principles:

Lifelong Learning and Curiosity

We encourage continuous learning, growth and exploration.

Creativity and Innovation

We champion creative thinking and innovative solutions, driving progress and inspiring new ideas.

Integrity and Respect

We uphold the truth with consideration for the thoughts and ideas of others.

Global Community

We foster collaboration and enduring relationships with peers and colleagues around the world.

History

On February 15, 1931, former retail jeweler Robert M. Shipley and his wife, Beatrice, cashed in their savings to establish their long-held dream – the Gemological Institute of America.

When most jewelers knew little about the gems they traded, Shipley wanted to professionalize the industry through education, research and gemological instrumentation.

The Institute, initially based out of their home, offered mimeographed mail-order courses and provided gem-testing services using borrowed microscopes and other equipment. From these modest beginnings, GIA has become an institution that has educated more than 365,000 professionals worldwide, a prestigious laboratory grading the world's most important diamonds, the leading gemological research center and the creator of the 4Cs and the International Diamond Grading System™ – the worldwide standard for evaluating diamond quality.

Visit www.GIA.edu/gia-about to learn more about GIA history.

Accreditation and Licensing

GIA India Laboratory Private Limited is a Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956. GIA India offers courses in the field of gemmology, applied jewellery arts and jewellery design.

GIA's Applied Jewelry Professional™ professional development program and the essentials courses are avocational in nature and do not fall under the approval of the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC).

Accreditation

Lab classes offered through GIA India are accredited by Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC).

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Governance

Board of Governors

The GIA Board of Governors is the steward of the public interest. The board helps direct the strategy of the Institute to ensure that the mission and vision of GIA are followed in all decisions; that the reputation of GIA is preserved and continues to grow globally; and that the financial goals of the Institute are met. Each governor offers a unique perspective, based on their professional experience in retail, research, education, finance, law, manufacturing and other areas; several have extensive international experience.

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Education Committee of the Board

The Education Committee of GIA's Board of Governors provides input and perspectives that are vital to the Institute's success, growth, and continuous improvement. Committee members are indicated with an asterisk (*).

Faculty and Education Management

Faculty

GIA's faculty meet or exceed applicable accreditation standards. Each has a minimum of three years of practical industry experience in the areas they teach, are trained in instructional methods and teaching skills and participate in ongoing professional development activities.

The list shown here is effective as of the publication date of this catalogue. Please refer to our website at www.GIA.edu/gem-education/mumbai/faculty for an up-to-date listing of our faculty and qualifications.

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Executive Management

GIA's executive staff constitutes a diverse group of highly experienced professionals from both inside and outside of the gem and jewelry industry who are responsible for carrying out the Institute's mission. Executive staff maintains daily operations for all areas of the Institute and promotes and continues the growth of GIA. Visit www.GIA.edu/gia-about-mission-governance for the full list of GIA's executive management.

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Facility, Classrooms and Equipment

GIA India's campus is located at 10th Floor, Trade Centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai 400 098. Find the Mumbai Campus on Google maps; www.google.com/maps The school has a satellite location in Surat at Swastik Universal, 2nd and 3rd floor, Building No A 10/11, RS No 15/1A and 9/2, Surat 395 007 and also holds classes at an offsite location in New Delhi. All class offerings are held at these facilities as indicated or noted otherwise on the course schedule and in the student's enrolment agreement.

Facility

GIA India's campus in Mumbai is designed to support the Institute's mission by providing a safe and comfortable environment conducive to student learning and achievement. It covers nearly 7,000 square feet including seven classrooms, a library, a reception area and student lounge, break room, and administrative offices. The Surat location occupies nearly 1,600 square feet including one classroom, reception area, meeting room and break room. Both facilities have been designed and constructed in compliance with any applicable laws and codes in effect at the time of design.

Wireless Internet access is available at no charge throughout the Mumbai campus.

To help ensure the safety and security of our students, employees and guests, the building has security officers on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week with GIA security officers present during the school week. There is restricted/ monitored access to the campus. A dedicated facilities department ensures the ongoing and routine maintenance of the facilities, equipment and replenishment of supplies.

Classrooms and Equipment

Classrooms in Mumbai can accommodate up to 24 students. and classrooms in Surat can accommodate up to 12 students. Each classroom is amply equipped with the instruments and tools used in each subject area. Classroom equipment is detailed within each programme description in this catalogue.

See "On Campus Programmes" on page 14
See "Lab Class Descriptions" on page 25







Top: Student Lounge; Middle: Reception; Bottom: Gemmology Classroom - ©GIA

School Calendar and Hours of Operation

2026 School Closure Dates

Classes are not in session on these dates; the Mumbai campus and satellite locations will be closed with exceptions noted below.

Date	Holiday / Event
26 January 2026 (Monday)	Republic Day
03 March 2026 (Tuesday)	Holi
19 March 2026 (Thursday)	Gudi Padwa
01 May 2026 (Thursday)	Maharashtra Day (Mumbai campus only)
15 August 2026 (Friday)	Independence Day
14 September (Monday)	Ganesh Chaturthi
02 October 2026 (Friday)	Gandhi Jayanti
06 November 2026 (Friday) - 13 November 2026 (Friday)	Festive Holidays

*Above is a tentative list of public holidays for the year 2026. This is subject to change, please check with the Admissions Team for updates and announcements.

Hours of Operation

The Mumbai campus and Surat location are open Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. except for the scheduled school closures noted above.

Registration Period

GIA has one year-long academic term with continuous enrolment.

Class Schedules and Hours

Visit www.giaindia.in/calendar for up-to-date class schedules.

On Campus Programmes. Class hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There is a scheduled lunch break every day and are given at the instructor's discretion. There is no orientation for Applied Jewelry Professional and normal class hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Class hours may be extended to accommodate for closures. Students should expect to spend several hours each day outside of class on homework.

Students enrolled in the Graduate Diamonds Blended, meet with their instructor remotely three days per week from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for the first eight weeks (84 clock hours). Students meet in-person five days per week from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for the last four weeks (126 clock hours).

Lab Classes. Normal classroom hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is a scheduled lunch break every day. Other breaks are given at each instructor's discretion.

Contacts and Resources

India Campus Contacts

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School Director
Reasonable accommodations, leave of absence, cancellation, withdrawal, probation, dismissal, complaints
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Resources

GIA Alumni Collective™
Alumni resources, global chapters, networking events
Support available M-F 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time
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https://collective.gia.edu | alumni@gia.edu

Blackboard Access (Current Students)
My GIA Education Portal: https://education.gia.edu/
Web: https://blackboard.gia.edu
Blackboard Learn App:



Web and App requires set-up of a new password.

Education Service Desk - Technical Support
Applicant Portal, My GIA Education Portal and Blackboard log-in, access and other technical issues
Support available M-F 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time
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GIA Store - GIA Main Campus (Central)
Optional books and instruments
Support available M-F 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time
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Library - GIA Main Campus (Central)
Reference service, online resources
Support available M-F 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time
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My GIA Education Portal
View your academic and student records; access courses in Blackboard (single sign-on)
https://education.gia.edu

On Campus Programmes

GIA offers full-time, instructor-led gemmology and jewellery arts certificate and diploma programmes through its On Campus division. Our faculty have an in-depth knowledge of gemstones, diamonds, equipment, CAD software and an impressive understanding of the jewellery industry. Our administrators are dedicated to helping you succeed; many are GIA alumni, so they understand what it is like to study full-time at a GIA campus.

The following pages provide a description, learning objectives, possible occupations, equipment and materials and the technology required to complete each programme.

Programme Name	Programme Number	Clock Hours	Instructional Weeks	Programme Length in Weeks (Calendar Duration; May vary with scheduled closures)	Description and Details
GEMMOLOGY					
Graduate Gemologist®	GEM 2500	780	26	28	Page 15
Graduate Diamonds	GEM 2200	210	7	8	Page 17
Graduate Diamonds Blended	GEM 2220	210	7	12	Page 17
Graduate Colored Stones	GEM 2300	570	19	20	Page 19
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT					
*Applied Jewelry Professional™	GEM 1000	35	1	1	Page 29
JEWELLERY ARTS					
Comprehensive CAD/CAM for Jewelry	JMA 400	210	7	7	Page 21
Jewelry Design	JMA 370	270	9	9	Page 23

*The Applied Jewelry Professional™ development program and the Essentials courses are not accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC).



Students use gemological equipment to identify coloured stones - ©GIA

Graduate Gemologist®



Description

The Graduate Gemologist diploma program at GIA provides an extensive education in gemology, encompassing both diamonds and colored stones. This program consists of two specialized courses; Graduate Diamonds and Graduate Colored Stones, each leading to an individual diploma. Upon completion of both courses, students achieve the comprehensive Graduate Gemologist diploma. Participants in the Graduate Gemologist program gain a deep understanding of the gemology field, preparing them for careers in the gemstone and jewelry industries.

Graduate Diamonds Course

The GIA Graduate Diamonds course introduces the foundational skills and knowledge required to make informed decisions when grading, buying and selling diamonds. Students learn the science behind diamond formation, appearance and identification, and discover historical and current diamond industry information and practices throughout the supply chain. Coursework includes the application of the GIA International Diamond Grading System™ to assess the 4Cs – color, clarity, cut and carat weight – and how they affect diamond value. Students use professional diamond grading equipment to examine and plot diamond quality characteristics; grade diamonds according to the 4Cs; detect common diamond treatments; and identify diamond simulants. Additionally, students learn the science behind laboratory-grown diamond formation, what tools can be helpful in identification of lab-grown diamonds and when to submit to a laboratory for further testing. Please see the Graduate Diamonds program description for more details.

Graduate Colored Stones

The Graduate Colored Stones course blends theoretical knowledge with practical application. Topics include gemstone formation, properties, sources and the colored stone supply chain. Students learn how to describe color by hue, tone and saturation, which gemstones are commercially important and what factors affect gem price and availability. The course describes the general observation process, standard gemological tests and equipment and when advanced laboratory testing and instrumentation is needed for accurate identification. Using professional gemology equipment, students identify diamonds, colored stones and simulants; distinguish natural, treated and laboratory-grown diamonds and colored stones; and grade colored stones. Please see the Graduate Colored Stones program description for more details.

Learning Objectives

- Describe the components of the diamond and colored stone supply chain
- Explain the science of diamond and colored stone formation, appearance and identification
- Describe how quality, rarity, color and market factors affect gem value
- Grade diamonds using the 4Cs (color, clarity, cut and carat weight)
- Identify diamonds, colored stones and simulants
- Grade colored stones using the GIA Colored Stone Grading System
- Describe treated and laboratory-grown gemstones
- Identify the relationship between proportions and diamond weight
- Describe the GIA International Diamond Grading System™
- Describe the GIA Colored Stone Grading System

Program Highlights

- Comprehensive Curriculum: In-depth study of both diamonds and colored stones, including traditional and current industry practices.
- Scientific Foundations: Robust course content based on decades of original research on diamond and colored stone formation, identification, and evaluation.
- Professional Instruction: Instruction team with real gem and jewelry trade experience, solid gemology knowledge base and professional teaching skills.
- Practical application: Hands-on training using professional gemological tools with the GIA 4Cs Diamond Grading System, gem identification protocols, and the GIA Colored Stone Grading System.
- Industry-Relevant Skills: Knowledge and skills applicable to making informed decisions in gemstone identification, evaluation, and trading.

What you will Earn

GIA Graduate Gemologist Diploma
GIA Graduate Diamonds Diploma
GIA Graduate Colored Stones Diploma

Occupations May Include

Appraiser, Auction House Jewelry Specialist, Colored Stone Buyer, Diamond Buyer, Diamond Sorter/Grader, Estate Jewelry Dealer, Staff Gemologist, Inventory Control Specialist, Jewelry Business Owner, Jewelry Buyer, Jewelry Sales Professional, Lab and Research Professional, Merchandiser, Pawnbroker, Retailer, Wholesaler

Contact us at eduindia@gia.edu for more information.

Details

Graduate Gemologist		
Courses	Clock Hours	Calendar Weeks
GEM 2200 Graduate Diamonds	210	8+ weeks
GEM 2300 Graduate Colored Stones	570	20+ weeks
Total Program Hours/Weeks	780	28+ calendar weeks (length may vary with scheduled breaks)
Total Charges	See "Course Fees" on page 34	

Schedules and Class Hours

Visit www.www.giaindia.in/calendar for schedules. Normal class hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Students will be notified in advance if hours will be modified.

Equipment and Materials

Each classroom is equipped with an electronic balance with hydrostatic unit, GIA DiamondDock™, GIA iD100®, UV lamp with viewing cabinet, desktop prism spectroscope, color filter and fiber-optic light unit. Each student workstation has a binocular microscope with an overhead light source, diamond grading tray, a handheld light source, diffuser plate and monochromatic light source. As part of their course materials, students receive a 10x loupe, tweezers, gem cloth, pointer probe, plotting pens, table gauge, crown angle card, color grading cards, GIA padfolio, refractometer with polarizing filter and removable magnifying eyepiece, refractive index (RI) liquid, polariscope with magnifying eye piece and an optic figure sphere, dichroscope, handheld spectroscope, pinpoint incandescent light source and lab manuals.

See "General Technology Requirements " on page 31.



GIA Microscope, rough and polished amethyst - ©GIA

Graduate Diamonds



Description

The GIA Graduate Diamonds diploma program introduces the foundational skills and knowledge required to make informed decisions when grading, buying and selling diamonds. Students learn the science behind diamond formation, appearance and identification, and discover historical and current diamond industry information and practices throughout the supply chain. Coursework includes the application of the GIA International Diamond Grading System™ to assess the 4Cs – color, clarity, cut and carat weight – and how they affect diamond value. Students use professional diamond grading equipment to examine and plot diamond quality characteristics; grade diamonds according to the 4Cs; detect common diamond treatments; and identify diamond simulants. Additionally, students learn the science behind laboratory-grown diamond formation, what tools can be helpful in identification of lab-grown diamonds and when to submit to a laboratory for further testing. The Graduate Diamonds program may be taken as a standalone program or as part of the comprehensive Graduate Gemologist program.

Learning Objectives

- Describe the components of the diamond supply chain
- Explain the science of diamond formation, appearance and identification
- Grade diamonds using the 4Cs (color, clarity, cut and carat weight)
- Identify the relationship between proportions and diamond weight
- Describe the GIA International Diamond Grading System™
- Describe the effects of diamond treatment
- Describe characteristics of natural and lab-grown diamonds
- Describe how quality, rarity, color and market factors affect gem value

Program Highlights

- Comprehensive Curriculum: In-depth study of diamonds and the diamond industry.
- Scientific Foundations: Robust course content based on GIA's world class research in terms of diamond science, identification and evaluation over the past 80 plus years.
- Professional Instruction: Instruction team with real diamond trade experience, solid diamond knowledge base and effective communication skills.
- Practical application: Instructed hands-on diamond grading and identification experience using professional gemological tools.
- Industry-Relevant Skills: Knowledge and skills applicable to making informed decisions in diamond identification, evaluation and trading.

What You Earn

GIA Graduate Diamonds Diploma

Occupations May Include

Diamond Buyer, Diamond Grader, Diamond Sorter, Jewelry Business Owner, Jewelry Sales Professional, Retailer, Auction House Jewelry Specialist, Wholesaler

Contact us at eduindia@gia.edu for more information.

Details

Graduate Diamonds	
Program Number	GEM 2200
Clock Hours / Instructional Weeks	210 clock hours / 7 instructional weeks
Program Length (Calendar Duration)	8+ calendar weeks (length may vary with scheduled breaks)
Total Charges	See "Course Fees" on page 34

Schedules and Class Hours

Visit www.www.giaindia.in/calendar for schedules. Normal class hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Students will be notified in advance if hours will be modified.

Students enrolled in the blended programme, meet with their instructor remotely three days per week from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for the first eight weeks (84 clock hours). Students meet in-person five days per week from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for the last four weeks (126 clock hours).

Equipment and Materials

Each classroom is equipped with a GIA DiamondDock™, GIA iD100 and a UV lamp with viewing cabinet. Each student workstation has a binocular microscope with an overhead light source, a handheld light source and diamond grading tray. As part of their course materials, students receive a 10x loupe, diamond tweezer, gem cloth, pointer probe, plotting pens, table gauge, crown angle cards, color grading cards, GIA padfolio and a lab manual.

See "General Technology Requirements " on page 31.



Rough and polished diamonds - ©GIA

Graduate Colored Stones



Description

The Graduate Colored Stones diploma program blends theoretical knowledge with practical application. Topics include gemstone formation, properties, sources and the colored stone supply chain. Students learn how to describe color by hue, tone and saturation, which gemstones are commercially important and what factors affect gem price and availability. The course describes the general observation process, standard gemological tests and equipment and when advanced laboratory testing and instrumentation is needed for accurate identification. Using professional gemology equipment, students identify diamonds, colored stones and simulants; distinguish natural, treated and laboratory-grown diamonds and colored stones; and grade colored stones. The Graduate Colored Stones program may be taken as a standalone program or as part of the comprehensive Graduate Gemologist program.

Learning Objectives

- Describe the components of colored stone supply chain
- Explain the science of colored stone formation, appearance and identification
- Describe how quality, rarity, color and market factors affect gem value
- Identify diamonds, colored stones and simulants
- Grade colored stones using the GIA Colored Stone Grading System
- Detect treated and laboratory-grown gemstones
- Describe the GIA Colored Stone Grading System

Program Highlights

- Comprehensive Curriculum: In-depth study of colored stones and its industry with the focus on sourcing, identification, evaluation and trading.
- Scientific Foundations: Robust course content based on GIA's world class research in terms of colored stone formation, identification, and evaluation for the past 80 plus years.
- Professional Instruction: Instruction team with real colored gemstone trading experience, solid knowledge base and effective communication skills.
- Practical application: Instructed hands-on practice on colored gemstone identification and evaluation.
- Industry-Relevant Skills: Knowledge and skills applicable to making informed decisions in colored stone identification, evaluation and trading.

What You Earn

GIA Graduate Colored Stones Diploma

Occupations May Include

Colored Stone Grader, Colored Stone Sorter, Appraiser, Auction House Jewelry Specialist, Colored Stone Buyer, Estate Jewelry Dealer, Jewelry Business Owner, Jewelry Buyer, Jewelry Sales Professional, Pawnbroker, Retailer, Wholesaler

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Details

Graduate Colored Stones	
Program Number	GEM 2300
Clock Hours / Instructions Weeks	570 clock hours / 19 instructional weeks
Program Length (Calendar Duration)	20+ calendar weeks (length may vary with scheduled breaks)
Total Charges	See "Course Fees" on page 34

Schedules and Class Hours

Visit www.www.giaindia.in/calendar for schedules. Normal class hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Students will be notified in advance if hours will be modified.

Equipment and Materials

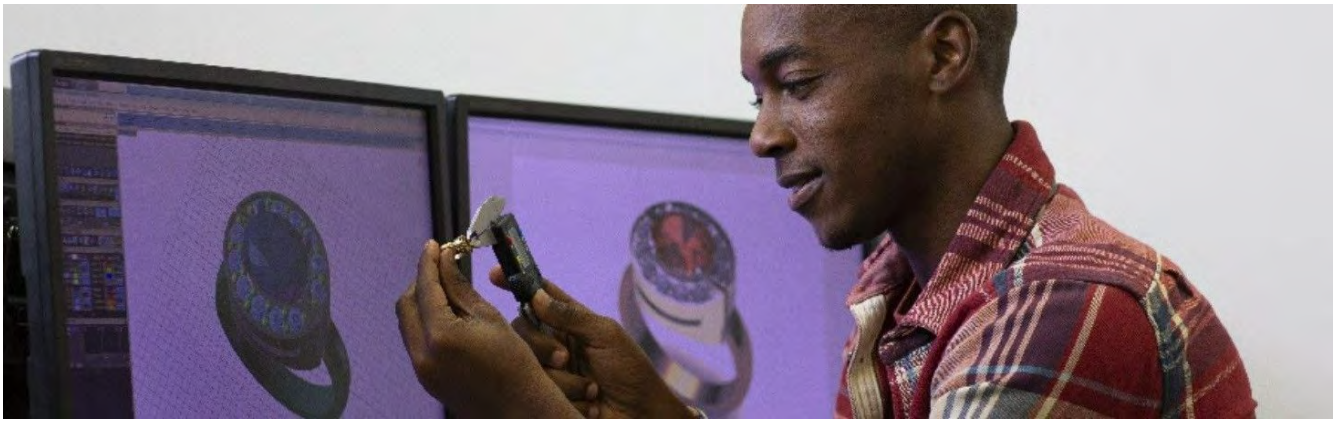
Each classroom is equipped with an electronic balance with hydrostatic unit, UV lamp with viewing cabinet, desktop prism spectroscope, color filter and a fiber-optic light unit. Each student workstation has a binocular microscope with an overhead light source, diffuser plate and monochromatic light source. As part of their course materials, students receive a refractometer with polarizing filter and removable magnifying eyepiece, refractive index (RI) liquid, polariscope with magnifying eye piece and optic figure sphere, dichroscope, handheld spectroscope, pinpoint incandescent light source, colored stone tweezer and lab manuals.

See "General Technology Requirements " on page 31.



Tanzanite crystal and polished gem.
Courtesy: Isle of Gems Co. Ltd./Peter Pereira

Comprehensive CAD/CAM for Jewelry



Description

The Comprehensive CAD/CAM for Jewelry certificate program covers the skills necessary to create 3D jewelry models ready for manufacturing. Topics include jewelry manufacturing techniques, jewelry-engineering fundamentals and CAM (Computer-Aided Manufacturing) machines. Students use CAD (Computer-Aided Design) software to develop models and photo-realistic renderings of jewelry designs.

Learning Objectives

- Describe jewelry manufacturing fundamentals
- Describe and apply engineering concepts to create high-quality, manufacturable designs
- Create and render designs using CAD software
- Describe various CAM technologies
- Model and render manufacturable pieces of jewelry using CAD

Program Highlights

- Comprehensive Curriculum: In-depth study of jewelry engineering, and CAD modeling for jewelry manufacturing.
- Solid Foundations: Robust course content based on GIA's world class experience in terms of hardware/ software research, jewelry engineering, and CAD modeling.
- Professional Instruction: Instruction team with real jewelry manufacturing experience, solid engineering and CAD modeling knowledge base and effective communication skills.
- Practical application: Instructed hands-on CAD modeling experience using professional hardware and software.
- Industry-Relevant Skills: Knowledge and skills applicable to making informed decisions in proper engineering and model creation for jewelry manufacturing.

What You Earn

GIA Comprehensive CAD/CAM for Jewelry Certificate

Occupations May Include

CAD/CAM Technician, Jewelry CAD Technician, Product Developer

Contact us at eduindia@gia.edu for more information.

Details

Comprehensive CAD/CAM for Jewelry	
Program Number	JMA 400
Clock Hours / Instructions Weeks	210 clock hours / 7 instructional weeks
Program Length (Calendar Duration)	7+ calendar weeks (program length may vary based on holidays or other scheduled breaks)
Total Charges	See "Course Fees" on page 34

Schedules and Class Hours

Visit www.www.giaindia.in/calendar for schedules. Normal class hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Students will be notified in advance if hours will be modified.

Equipment and Materials

Each classroom has computers with networking software for instructors to view and interact with students' CAD designs remotely. Each student workstation has a computer with Rhinoceros software installed, two flat-screen monitors, keyboard, mouse and graphic tablet. Students receive a student license for Rhinoceros software, 1 TB USB external hard drive and printed course materials.

Computer Proficiency

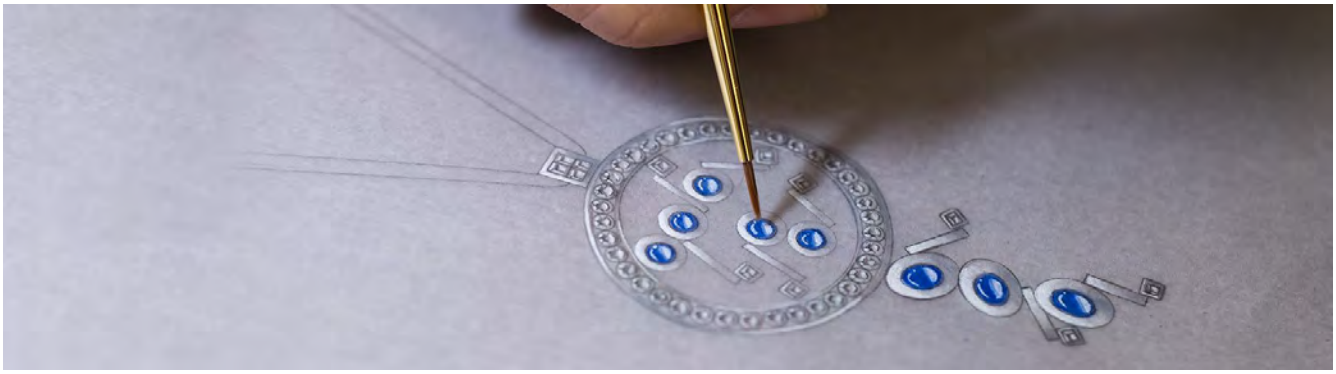
Basic proficiency in the Windows operating system is essential for success in this program, including creating, naming and organizing folders; finding, opening and saving files; and a familiarity with file types including PDF and JPEG. If needed, students should complete a training or refresher course on basic Windows skills prior to starting the program.

See "General Technology Requirements " on page 31.This program requires additional specialized technology, See on page 31.



CAD-rendered earrings - ©GIA

Jewelry Design



Description

The Jewelry Design certificate program provides students with the fundamental knowledge of design theory and the technical hand-rendering skills commonly employed in jewelry design. Students acquire a working knowledge of jewelry artistry. Skills taught include illustrating the shape, form and texture of metal; working with drafting tools; and rendering yellow and white metals as well as a range of faceted and cabochon gemstones and pearls. By the completion of the program, students will have a portfolio of class projects and custom designs ready for presentation to potential clients and employers.

Learning Objectives

- Demonstrate ability to create designs based on sources of inspiration
- Describe jewelry design theory and artistry
- Demonstrate rendering skills with graphite, colored pencils and watercolor paints
- Illustrate the shape, form and texture of metal
- Render faceted and cabochon gems, pearls and colored stones
- Demonstrate traditional drafting techniques used for enhanced rendering
- Develop and refine motifs used for jewelry design

Program Highlights

- Comprehensive Curriculum: In-depth study of jewelry design, hand rendering and it's application in jewelry manufacturing.
- Solid Foundations: Robust course content based on GIA's world class experience in classic jewelry design hand rendering methods.
- Professional Instruction: Instruction team with real jewelry design experience, solid industry knowledge base and effective communication skills.
- Practical Application: Instructed hands-on jewelry design, and hand rendering experience using traditional artists tools and materials.
- Industry-Relevant Skills: Knowledge and skills applicable to making informed decisions in jewelry design renderings for jewelry manufacturing.

What You Earn

GIA Jewelry Design Certificate

Occupations May Include

Jewelry Designer, Custom Designer, Hand Renderer, Sales Associate, Technical Designer

Contact us at eduindia@gia.edu for more information.

Details

Jewelry Design	
Program Number	JMA 370
Clock Hours / Instructions Weeks	270 clock hours / 9 instructional weeks
Program Length (Calendar Duration)	9+ calendar weeks (length may vary with scheduled breaks)
Total Charges	See "Course Fees" on page 34

Schedules and Class Hours

Visit www.www.giaindia.in/calendar for schedules. Normal class hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Students will be notified in advance if hours will be modified.

Equipment and Materials

As part of their course materials, students receive a design toolkit containing a variety of paints, pencils, brushes, templates, papers and vellum and printed course materials.

See "General Technology Requirements " on page 31.



Hand-rendered necklace – ©GIA

Lab Class Descriptions

Students enrolled in GIA's Online Division through the main (central) campus in Carlsbad, California earn their online gemmology diplomas by enrolling in and completing a required combination of self-paced online courses and instructor-led, lab classes. Lab classes offered by GIA India are listed below. Visit www.GIA.edu/gem-education/online-division/overview for more information.

GEM 149L Pearl Grading Lab

The Pearl Grading Lab guides students through the grading and classification of pearls using GIA's 7 Pearl Value Factors™. Through practical coursework, students evaluate size, shape, color, luster, surface, nacre thickness and matching.

Students must pass a two-stone pratical exam* with a score of 75% or higher to complete the class successfully. Classrooms contain a pearl gauge and other instruction aids. Each student workstation includes a daylight equivalent light source, neutral bead string tray and a pearl grading master set with an informational keycard. Students receive a pencil, gem cloth and lab manual as part of the course materials.

- Prerequisites: None
- Hours / Duration: 7 clock hours / 1 day
- What you earn: Letter of Completion

GEM 220L Colored Stone Grading Lab

The Colored Stone Grading Lab teaches students how to grade the color, clarity, and cut quality of a wide range of colored stones through practical coursework. Topics include how to describe a gem's color by hue, tone and saturation and how to evaluate gems using the GIA Colored Stone Grading System.

Students must pass a two-stone practical exam* with a score of 75% or higher to complete the class successfully. Each student workstation includes a binocular microscope with a daylight equivalent light source, tweezers and a 10x loupe. Students receive a pencil, gem cloth, pinpoint incandescent light source, color grading card and lab manual as part of the course materials.

- Prerequisites: None
- Hours / Duration: 21 clock hours / 3 days
- What you earn: Letter of Completion

* One attempt is taken during the class. Additional exam attempts are taken in a classroom under the supervision of an instructor. Students are required to pass within three exam attempts, achieving a minimum score of 75% or higher.

GEM 230L Diamond Grading Lab

The Diamond Grading Lab introduces students to the procedures used to grade diamonds according to GIA's International Diamond Grading System™. Using round brilliant cut diamonds on the D-Z color scale, students apply their knowledge by assigning color, clarity and cut grades, determining proportions and weight and documenting fluorescence. Students also learn how to identify and plot clarity characteristics and receive hands-on practice separating natural diamond from common simulants.

Students must pass a two-stone final practical exam* with a score of 75% or higher to complete the class successfully. Classrooms contain a GIA DiamondDock™ and UV lamp with viewing cabinet. Each student workstation has a binocular microscope with an overhead light source, a handheld light source and diamond grading tray. Students receive a pointer probe, gem cloth, plotting pen set, table gauge, crown angle card, loupe, color grading card and lab manual as part of the course materials.

- Prerequisites: None
- Hours / Duration: 35 clock hours / 5 days
- What you earn: Letter of Completion



Diamond Grading Lab students assess a diamond's clarity using a 10X jeweller's loupe - ©GIA

GEM 240L Gem Identification Lab

The Gem Identification Lab introduces students to the general observation process and the operation of the gemological equipment used to test and identify coloured stones. Instructors demonstrate key tests and coach students on effective testing procedures. Students use gemological instruments to practice identifying natural and laboratory-grown gemstones, imitations and assembled stones.

Students must pass an instrumentation exam* to complete the class successfully. Classrooms contain a table model prism spectroscope, colour filter, fibre optic light, UV lamp with viewing cabinet and a utility lamp. Each student workstation has a binocular microscope with a daylight equivalent overhead light source, handheld spectroscope, dichroscope, refractometer, refractive index (RI) liquid, diffuser plate, polariscope, optic figure sphere and monochromatic light source. Students receive a lab manual, colour description system pamphlet, tweezers, gem cloth, pinpoint incandescent light source, colour grading card and pencil as part of the course materials.

- Prerequisites: None
- Hours / Duration: 35 clock hours / 5 days
- What you earn: Letter of Completion

In this class, students use RI (refractive index) liquid which contains diiodomethane also known as Methylene Iodide. See "Student Notification of Classroom Chemical Usage" on page 50 for more information.

* One attempt is taken during the class. Additional exam attempts are taken in a classroom under the supervision of an instructor. Students are required to pass within three exam attempts, achieving a minimum score of 75% or higher.



Gem Identification Lab students learn the proper use of gemological equipment like a polariscope (top) and dichroscope (bottom) - ©GIA

Professional Development

GIA's professional development offerings deliver skills and knowledge on topics, research and trends that are relevant to today's industry. Designed for gem and jewellery professionals who wish to further their knowledge or aficionados looking to explore their passion, professional development offerings are a fast way to become familiar with a target topic or issue and stay current with industry research and trends. The classes listed here are offered by GIA in India. The GIA Alumni Collective™ also offers continuing education offerings on a variety of gem and jewellery topics, learn more at www.GIA.edu/gia-alumni/continuing-education.

Continuing education offerings are not intended to prepare individuals for entry-level employment and do not fall under the approval of the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC).

JMA 376 SWIFT Jewellery Design

Increase your professionalism by quickly and efficiently learning the basic skills in jewellery design presentations. Through this hands-on, practical class, you learn to communicate designs effectively with bench jewellers, colleagues and customers. You are guided how to make realistic presentations with coloured pencils, stencils and equipment which are yours to keep. These professional design illustration techniques help you translate ideas into reality.

Duration: 5 or 10 days (35 hours)
What you earn: Letter of Attendance
Cost: ₹35,105 due at the time of registration (includes prevalent GST at 18%)

GEM 276 Small Diamond Assortment

This class will introduce students to the basic process of sorting small diamonds for colour, clarity, cut and sizes as per the market. Students will learn the methodology of using a tripod tweezers and a loupe to sort diamonds up to 0.10 carat (10 points) colour, clarity, cut and sieves size.

Duration: 4 days (24 hours)
What you earn: Letter of Attendance
Cost: ₹24,072 due at the time of registration (includes prevalent GST at 18%)

GEM 1000 Applied Jewelry Professional™ (AJP®)

The Applied Jewelry Professional™ (AJP®) diploma programme covers topics including jewellery designs, setting styles, jewellery care and other content that will support the product knowledge of current industry professionals. Students learn basic information about diamonds, rubies, emeralds, sapphires and the GIA clarity grading system. Other subjects of study include how modern technology is changing the way diamonds are cut, the qualities of precious metals, major jewellery manufacturing methods and the important activities involved in the operation of a retail jewellery store. To enable effective product conversations, examples are provided on how to translate jewellery features into benefits and how to communicate the 4Cs of diamond value to customers. The AJP coursework provides clear and concise information that can be immediately implemented on the job.

Duration: 5 days (35 hours)
What you earn: GIA Applied Jewelry Professional Development Diploma
Cost: ₹44,014 due at the time of registration (includes prevalent GST at 18%)

Jewelry Merchandising for Retailers

This course provides an introduction to key merchandising concepts essential for planning and developing effective strategies in the jewellery industry. Students will explore the fundamentals of inventory planning, marketing, and visual merchandising while learning how to align product selection with business objectives. The course will cover primary product categories in Indian jewellery retail, target market analysis, and the make-or-buy decision process. Delivered through a blended format, the course includes instructor-led sessions, home study reference materials, online resources, and interactive case studies with follow-up discussions.

Duration:4 half-days + 1 full-day (21 hours)
What you earn: Letter of Attendance
Cost: ₹23,600 due at the time of registration (includes prevalent GST at 18%)

Applied Jewelry Professional™ (AJP®)



Description

The Applied Jewelry Professional (AJP) program is avocational in nature and, therefore, not accredited by DEAC. It is tailored for gem and jewelry professionals seeking to enhance their expertise, as well as enthusiasts eager to delve deeper into their passion.

The Applied Jewelry Professional™ (AJP®) diploma programme covers topics including jewellery designs, setting styles, jewellery care and other content that will support the product knowledge of current industry professionals. Students learn basic information about diamonds, rubies, emeralds, sapphires and the GIA clarity grading system. Other subjects of study include how modern technology is changing the way diamonds are cut, the qualities of precious metals, major jewellery manufacturing methods and the important activities involved in the operation of a retail jewellery store. To enable effective product conversations, examples are provided on how to translate jewellery features into benefits and how to communicate the 4Cs of diamond value to customers. The AJP coursework provides clear and concise information that can be immediately implemented on the job.

This program is offered either on campus or online in an asynchronous format, please see visit www.giaindia.in/calendar for up-to-date class schedules.

Learning Objectives

- Describe the GIA International Diamond Grading System™
- Explain how the 4Cs (colour, clarity, cut and carat weight) affect a diamond's value
- Explain the differences between treated, laboratory-grown and imitation stones to sell with full disclosure
- Understand the steps of the jewellery sales process
- Translate jewellery design, style and manufacturing features into benefits
- Convey the romance, lore and characteristics of the most popular coloured gemstones

Program Highlights

- Comprehensive Curriculum: In-depth study of both diamonds and colored stones, including traditional and current industry practices.
- Scientific Foundations: Robust course content based on decades of original research on diamond and colored stone formation, identification, and evaluation.
- Professional Instruction: Instruction team with real gem and jewelry trade experience, solid gemology knowledge base and professional teaching skills.
- Practical application: Hands-on training using professional gemological tools with the GIA 4C Diamond Grading System, gem identification protocols, and the GIA Colored Stone Grading System.
- Industry-Relevant Skills: Knowledge and skills applicable to making informed decisions in gemstone identification, evaluation, and trading.

What You Earn

GIA Applied Jewelry Professional Diploma

Occupations May Include

Jewellery Sales Professional, Jewellery Assistant Manager, Jewellery Consultant, Jewellery Service Advisor, Assistant Inventory Manager, Television Shopping Host, Pawnbroker

Contact us at eduindia@gia.edu for more information.

Details

Applied Jewelry Professional	
Programme Number	GEM 1000
Clock Hours / Instructional Weeks	35 clock hours / 1 instructional week
Programme Length (Calendar Duration)	1+ calendar weeks (length may vary with scheduled breaks)
Total Charges	See "Course Fees" on page 34

Schedules and Class Hours

Visit www.www.giaindia.in/calendar for schedules. Normal class hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Students will be notified in advance if hours will be modified.

See "General Technology Requirements " on page 31.



Rough and polished opal. Courtesy: Cenki Thomas

Technology Requirements

All students are required to have access to the My GIA Education Portal and Blackboard LMS, using a computer, tablet, or mobile device with a stable Internet connection. A valid email address that is not shared with others is also required for security purposes.

General Technology Requirements

All students are expected to have regular access to the following technology in order to participate successfully in their courses:

Operating Systems (Recommended)

- Windows (computers): Windows 11 (64-bit) or Windows 10 (64-bit), version 22H2 or later
- macOS (computers): macOS 12, 13, or 14 (Sonoma)
- Tablets & mobile devices: Most recent version of iOS or Android

Supported Browsers

- PC: Latest versions of Firefox, Chrome, Edge, or Safari
- Mac: Latest versions of Safari or Google Chrome

Monitor Resolution

- 1280 × 720 screen resolution (recommended for accessing online curriculum)

Browser Settings

- Cookies enabled
- Pop-up blockers disabled

Adobe Acrobat Reader

- Most recent version (free at get.adobe.com/reader)

Compatibility Notes

- Systems can operate with Windows 8 or higher, or macOS 11 or higher
- Support for Windows 8.1 and earlier and macOS 11 and earlier is no longer available
- Requirements are subject to change; students will receive advance notice

Comprehensive CAD/CAM for Jewelry

For coursework, GIA provides the technology and software required for classroom use. However, it is strongly recommended that students have access to a Windows-based computer that meets the specifications below for practice outside of classroom hours. The estimated cost to purchase a laptop meeting these requirements is $1,800.

Computer

- Windows-based laptop or desktop with mouse and keyboard
- Recommendation: multi-button mouse with scroll wheel

Operating System & CPU

- Windows 10 or later with 64-bit Intel or AMD processor (not ARM)
- Minimum: Intel i7, 2.8 GHz or higher
- Recommended: Intel i9 or AMD Ryzen 7, or Threadripper

Memory

- 16 GB RAM or more

Graphics (GPU)

- OpenGL 4.1-capable video card with 4 GB VRAM (minimum)
- Recommended: NVIDIA GeForce 3000 series or higher for faster photo-realistic rendering

Storage

- Minimum: 512 GB free main drive space
- Recommended: 1 TB HDD or greater; SSD strongly recommended

Display

- 1920 × 1080 or higher with 32-bit color

Note: Technology requirements are reviewed periodically and may be updated. Students will receive advance notice of any changes.

Admissions Policies and Procedures

Admission Requirements

To be admitted into programmes or classes offered by GIA India, applicants must meet the following requirements: i) have a higher school certificate (H.S.C) / 10+2, ii) be at least 18 years of age, and iii) have the ability to read and write in English at the level of a graduate of a secondary school where English is the primary language of instruction.

All programmes are taught in English.

Required Documents

Applicants must provide the following documents along with their completed application. All documents must be in English or accompanied by an English-language translation.

☑ Identification

- India residents must provide a valid copy of their passport, or driving license or Aadhaar card
- Applicants who are not an India resident must provide a valid passport copy
- All applicants must provide a colour passport-size photo

☑ Proof of Graduation

Copy of your diploma or degree, or a transcript showing the graduation date for ONE of the following:

- Higher school certificate, high school diploma or the equivalent
- Undergraduate or graduate degree from a college or university

Extenuating Circumstances

An applicant who meets all admission requirements but is unable to obtain proof of graduation after exhausting all avenues may submit a petition of exception to GIA's admissions committee. For example, a student from a war-torn country whose school no longer exists. The student may be approved to attest to the fact that they have obtained a high school diploma or its equivalent.

☑ Name Change Documentation (if applicable)

If your legal name differs from the one on a required admission document, you must show proof of a legal name change that ties all of your documents together. Provide a copy of a court-issued document showing your former and new legal name, such as a marriage certificate, divorce decree, or other court-issued document.

☑ Sponsorship Documents

Applicants sponsored by their employer or other organisation must provide i) a cover letter from the sponsoring company, ii) a copy of a valid photo ID duly issued by a competent authority and iii) a copy of the sponsor's PAN card.

How to Apply

To apply for admission:

1. **Confirm Eligibility**
   Confirm that you meet all admission requirements. on page 32.
2. **Select Your Programme/Class and Start Date**
   Choose your programme/class and intended start date. Visit www.GIAindia.in/calendar for class schedules.
3. **Determine Your Financial Obligation**
   See "Course Fees" on page 34.
4. **Gather Required Documents**
   Gather the required documents listed above.
5. **Create Your Applicant Portal Account**
   Create an account and sign in to GIA's applicant portal at www.GIA.edu/applynow.
6. **Complete Your Application**
   Follow the online instructions to complete your application and upload your supporting documentation.
7. **Review and Submit Your Application**
   Review your application for accuracy and submit it for processing.

Application Deadline and Waitlists

Applications should be submitted in advance of your intended start date. Classes typically reach capacity months in advance, so apply early. Students are registered on a first-come, first-served basis. If a class reaches capacity, students are placed on a waitlist and notified if a seat becomes available.

Orientation Requirements

On Campus students must complete an in-person orientation prior to the first day of class. Students who cannot attend the scheduled in-person orientation, should contact admissions at eduindia@gia.edu as soon as possible to reschedule. Students are not allowed in class until the orientation requirements are completed. Any time spent out of class to complete orientation will be considered missed hour(s) according to the attendance policy. There are no

orientation requirements for the Applied Jewelry Professional Development programme or lab classes.

Nondiscrimination Policy

It is GIA's policy not to engage in discrimination against, or harassment of any student enrolled in or seeking enrolment in GIA on the basis of race, colour, national or ethnic origin, ancestry, religion, creed, gender, age, disability, medical condition, pregnancy or parental status, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, veteran status, gender identity, caste, union membership, political affiliation, physical appearance, HIV status, or any other classification protected by applicable federal and state nondiscrimination, equal opportunity laws, orders and regulations and remaining compliant and consistent with the Civil Rights Act; the Americans with Disabilities Act; the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. This policy on non-discrimination applies to admissions, enrolment, scholarships, loan programmes, employment and access to participation in all GIA programmes and activities.

Residency and Applicant Screening

Educational services to some countries may be restricted by U.S. law. Additionally, all applicants are screened against global watch lists to comply with U.S. Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) and other applicable laws and regulations. GIA may not admit individuals who are sanctioned or reside in a country or territory sanctioned by the U.S. government. Visit www.GIA.edu/ethics-compliance for more information.

Prior Criminal Offences

GIA does not require applicants to provide information about prior criminal offences. Please note that prior convictions may result in challenges in securing employment after graduation.

International Visa Requirements

After registration, international students must obtain a valid X-MISC Entry Visa and submit a copy to GIA admissions. Upon arrival in India, students must register with FRRO (if applicable) and the nearest police station and provide a copy of the same to the GIA admissions office.

For additional details, please contact us at eduindia@gia.edu, 1 800 419 9914 or +91 22 4085 1500.

Transferability of Credits Earned at Our Institution

The transferability of credits you earn at GIA is at the complete discretion of an institution to which you may seek to transfer. Acceptance of the diploma or certificate you earn in the educational programme is also at the complete discretion of the institution to which you may seek to transfer. If the diploma or certificate that you earn at this institution is not accepted at the institution to which you seek to transfer, you may be required to repeat some or all of your coursework at that institution. For this reason you should make certain that your attendance at this institution will meet your educational goals. This may include contacting an institution to which you may seek to transfer after attending the Gemological Institute of America to determine if your diploma or certificate will transfer.

Transfer Credit Policy

GIA does not accept transfer credit from other institutions. GIA does not currently have an articulation or transfer agreement with any other institution. GIA does not accept transfer credit for experiential or equivalent learning, challenge examinations or achievement tests.

Transferability of Coursework to another GIA Programme

Graduate Diamonds or Graduate Colored Stones diplomas earned through a full-time, On Campus programme at a GIA campus location or a GIA-affiliated school entity will be accepted for credit toward the Graduate Gemologist diploma.

Lab classes are not transferable into a full-time, On Campus programme.

Course Fees

Total charges are valid for programmes, courses and classes from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 and are subject to change with reasonable advanced notice. Amounts shown are in Indian Rupees. The total charges for each programme include tuition costs, required books and materials and applicable tax.

Course Charges

Programme or Class	Course Fee	GST	Total Charges
GEM 2500 - Graduate Gemologist	₹967,200	₹174,096	₹1,141,296
GEM 2200 - Graduate Diamonds GEM 2220 - Graduate Diamonds (Blended)	₹260,400	₹46,872	₹307,272
GEM 2300 - Graduate Colored Stones	₹706,800	₹127,224	₹834,024
GEM 1000 - Applied Jewelry Professional	₹37,300	₹6,714	₹44,014
JMA 370 - Jewelry Design	₹304,200	₹54,756	₹358,956
JMA 400 - Comprehensive CAM/CAM for Jewelry	₹260,400	₹46,872	₹307,272
GEM 230L - Diamond Grading Lab	₹35,000	₹6,300	₹41,300
GEM 220L - Colored Stone Grading Lab	₹21,000	₹3,780	₹24,780
GEM 240L - Gem Identification Lab	₹35,000	₹6,300	₹41,300
GEM 149L - Pearl Grading Lab	₹7,000	₹1,260	₹8,260

- Prevalent tax is applicable. GST is applicable at 18% from July 1st, 2017. Any change in statutory taxes/duty will be borne by the applicant. GIA India reserves the right to collect these.
- Total Charges do not include living expenses, technology and additional fees that may be assessed.
- All payments must be in Indian Rupees.
- Scholarships are available to those who qualify. See "Scholarships" on page 35.

Additional Fees

Additional, non-refundable, fees may include:

- Repeat fees are calculated based on the program's hourly tuition rate* and the total number of hours the student needs to repeat.
- Living expenses such as housing, food, medical, insurance, transportation and entertainment.
- Wire payment transfer fees.
- Fees for optional books and materials, shipping, handling and applicable taxes.
- Fees for optional field trips.
- Fees for any lost or damaged equipment, precious metals and stones.
- Fees for replacement of any required books, tools and materials.
- 10 USD official transcript fee (excludes any applicable taxes and expedited shipping).
- 70 USD diploma replacement fee (excludes any applicable taxes and expedited shipping).
- 65 USD certificate replacement fee (excludes any applicable taxes and expedited shipping).

*The hourly tuition rate is determined by dividing the total tuition by the number of clock hours in the course or program.

Payment Due Dates

Payment amounts and due dates are as follows. You will not be able to reserve space in any programme or class until required payment is received.

Lab Classes. Total charges, including tuition, books and materials fees and tax, are due at the time of registration.

On Campus Programmes. An initial amount of ₹40,000 (Graduate Gemologist) and ₹20,000 (all other programmes) is due with the application. The remaining balance is due at least 20 days prior to the first day of class.

Past Due Account Balance

Students who have a past due account balance will have disrupted service. Students will not be able to access courses in Blackboard, may not register into future courses or programmes and will not receive their credential until they have settled the payment(s) owed.

Payment Methods

Staff members are available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m to 4:30 p.m. to accept payment and discuss your account. Contact us at eduindia@gia.edu or 1 800 419 9914 or +91 22 4085 1500.

All payments must be in Indian Rupee drawn on an Indian bank. All payments must be made by bank transfer, cheques at par or demand draft. You are encouraged / advised to make payment through cheque or bank transfer. Students are responsible for any bank transfer fees that they incur.

Third-Party Payer Information

If someone other than the student is paying any part of a student's tuition and fees, such persons will be required to provide their full name and country of residence on the application for admission and once again at the time of payment. If a student's employer is paying any part of a student's tuition and fees, the student or the employer will be required to provide the full company name and address or other identifying information at GIA's request.

Scholarships

Scholarships offerings are available to those who qualify to help reduce their financial burden and focus on completing their chosen credentials. Visit www.GIA.edu/scholarships for more information on scholarships, eligibility, how to apply and required documents.

Cancellation, Withdrawal and Refund Policies

GIA's cancellation, withdrawal and refund policies for GIA India are explained in detail in this section and in your enrolment agreement. If you have questions, contact us at eduindia@gia.edu or 1 800 419 9914 or +91 22 4085 1500.

Cancellation and Withdrawal of Enrolment

Students may submit their cancellation or withdrawal notice by contacting admissions at eduindia@gia.edu, 1 800 419 9914 or +91 22 4085 1500. Cancellation or withdrawal is effective on the date GIA receives the student's notice in any manner.

A student's registration/enrolment will be cancelled by the school with a full refund of institutional charges for failure to i) sign the enrolment agreement, ii) start the programme ("no-show") and/or iii) make a required payment at the time of registration and prior to the class start date.

A student will be administratively withdrawn if they fail to return from a leave of absence, do not maintain satisfactory academic progress, or are otherwise dismissed due to lack of attendance or violation of a GIA policy. A grade of SWD is recorded on the student's academic record and any refund is calculated according to GIA's refund policy below.

Refund Policy

Students may cancel their enrolment agreement and receive a refund of all monies paid if they cancel before the first day of class. Thereafter, a pro-rata tuition is calculated.

Scholarship recipients are subject to the refund policy described in their acceptance letter.

Unused books and materials, that are undamaged, are eligible for full refund upon inspection by GIA. The cost will be deducted from the course fee and the remaining amount will be pro- rated as shown on the right. Refund of applicable taxes will be as per prevalent government guidelines. Books and materials that are used or not returned in saleable condition are non-refundable.

Any credit balance on a student's account after unearned scholarship funds have been returned, will be refunded within 30 days of the date GIA received the notice of cancellation or withdrawal.

Pro-Rata Refund Schedule

Cancellation or Withdrawal Date	Tuition % Retained by GIA	Tuition % Refunded
Up to 10% of class hours	10%	90%
More than 10% and up to 25% of class hours	25%	75%
More than 25% to 50% of class hours	50%	50%
After 50% of class hours	100%	0%

Refund Calculation Example

A student paid tuition of ₹52,500 for a lab class with 35 clock hours and withdrew after 14 class hours. GIA retains ₹26,250, calculated as follows:

% Completed = 14 / 35 hours = 0.40 (40%)
Tuition Retained by GIA = 50%
GIA Retains = ₹52,500 (tuition) x 0.50 = ₹26,250
Refund = ₹52,500 - ₹26,250 = ₹26,250

Cancellation of Enrollment - Professional Development

Students enrolled in professional development courses are encouraged to carefully consider their ability to participate before registering. Refund eligibility is determined by the course delivery method as outlined below.

Delivery Method	Cancellation Deadline for Refund
Instructor-Led	Students who cancel at least five business days prior to the scheduled start date are eligible for a refund. Students who cancel after this period are not eligible for a refund. On a space-available basis, students may request a one-time change to a later start date.
Self-Paced Online	For self-paced online courses, the registration process follows a "register → start → pay" model. Students gain immediate access to coursework upon registration. A refund may be issued within 48 hours of registration provided that no assignments have been submitted. Once an assignment has been submitted, no refunds will be granted.

Student Services

Our administrative staff provide a variety of services and resources to help ensure your success as a student and graduate of GIA.

Housing and Transportation

GIA does not have dormitory facilities. There are many rental and hotel opportunities within close proximity of the campus. Start your search 30 days before your arrival and be sure to use a reputable third-party provider.

GIA India can provide you with the contact details of housing agents for your accommodation. It is important that you thoroughly research your options before taking residence. GIA does not screen these agent's listings, nor does it offer a roommate placement service.

Current housing costs around the Mumbai campus can range from ₹15,000 to ₹45,000 per month or more for apartments. Hotel stays can average ₹2,500 to ₹4,500 per night excluding taxes and other fees.

GIA in Mumbai is home to an efficient public transportation system, including buses, taxis, and the Mumbai Metro. This makes it easy to travel within the city and to other parts of the country.

Contact us at eduindia@gia.edu, 1 800 419 9914 or +91 22 4085 1500 ext 1238 for information or assistance.

Food and Beverage

Students have several choices for snacks and meals from various restaurants in the neighbourhood. Food can be purchased on campus (on availability) or from a variety of nearby off-campus locations. Refrigerators and microwaves are available for those who prefer to bring their own food. The break room is furnished with tables, chairs and tea/coffee vending machines. Containers for proper disposal of food and beverage trash are available in each of these areas.

Health Care and Insurance

GIA student services can help you locate medical professionals in the area. Health insurance for students is not provided by GIA. All students are strongly urged to maintain medical insurance coverage. If you do not have medical insurance, a GIA representatives can give you information about companies that provide student medical insurance.

Students should be aware that any medical needs, services and expenses are the student's personal responsibility.

Disability Services and Accommodation

Our belief is that disability is not a limitation, but rather an indication of perseverance, strength and determination in accomplishing all life endeavours. Our intention is to promote access, equity and inclusion; to instil a true sense of belonging at GIA for students with disabilities.

GIA is committed to ensuring equal access to its programmes and activities for qualified individuals with disabilities and will make efforts to accommodate those with special requirements or needs by granting reasonable accommodations where appropriate. See "Academic Progress Policies" on page 44 for the details and procedures for requesting accommodation.

International Student Support

Our admissions team provide specialised support to international students by helping them prepare for and adjust to living and studying in India. They provide information about important immigration-related issues and specific assistance with visas and other applicable immigration application processes. They also help students get oriented to life on campus and provide other assistance such as travel, health care and insurance and housing. Contact us at eduindia@gia.edu, 1 800 419 9914 or +91 22 4085 1500 ext 1238.

Computer and Internet Access

GIA's Mumbai campus has computers available on campus for student use. These services, unless otherwise noted, are offered at no cost. Wireless Internet access is available at no charge.

Career Services

As a GIA student or graduate, you enjoy a professional affiliation with GIA. GIA in India provides additional resources and hosted events to help start or advance your career such as Career Placement Camps and the GIA Gem & Jewelry Career Centre. Contact us at eduindia@gia.edu, 1 800 419 9914 or +91 22 4085 1500 ext 1238.

Career Placement Camps

Periodically, GIA hosts Placement Camps in India designed exclusively for the gem and jewellery industry. You'll be able to network with those in the know and attend recruiting sessions with prominent companies in India. When you attend GIA India's Placement Camp, you have the chance to explore everything the jewellery industry has to offer. You'll find many job opportunities with some of the most recognised companies in the industry. You will get practical insights for directing your talent and creativity. You will learn about current hiring trends and discover what the future job market has in store.

GIA Gem & Jewelry Career Centre

The GIA Gem & Jewelry Career Centre is a premier career platform and online job board exclusively for the gem and jewellery industry. Employers from every sector of the jewellery industry list opportunities with us, including retailers, wholesalers, design houses, auctioneers and many others.

As a job seeker, you will be able to customise your job search and create a full-featured profile that will help you market yourself to employers. You can also access tools to help you prepare for interviews. There is no charge to use this service. You can access the career centre on our website or download the App.

Website: www.giaindia.in/jewellery-gem-jobs
Simplicity App:



Guest Speaker Sessions

GIA regularly organises complimentary on-campus presentations by industry professionals on an array of subjects affecting the gem and jewellery industry, such as appraising information, mining practices and finds, diamond treatments, cutting-edge lab discoveries, coloured stone controversies, consumer insights impacting jewellery retail, jewellery design trends, challenges and opportunities in category creation, and more. All students and graduates are invited to attend. Guest speakers offer valuable and fascinating insight to assist students and graduates in their career planning.

Library and Learning Resources

India Library Services

GIA India's Mumbai campus has a library of approximately 500 volumes of books. It offers books on Diamonds, Coloured Stones and Jewellery, trade magazines and journals. The library also subscribes to a variety of science, business, fashion, and jewellery industry magazines. No library books belonging to GIA are to be taken from the premises. Photocopying is not permitted. For more details of how to use the Library, contact us at 1 800 419 9914 or +91 22 4085 1500 ext 1349. A handout on library usage guidelines is also shared with students during orientation of diploma and certificate classes.

Library and Information Center - Main Campus (Central)

The Richard T. Liddicoat Gemological Library and Information Center located at GIA's Carlsbad campus and world headquarters is the largest library of its kind housing a growing collection of over 67,000 books, 1,000 periodical titles in various languages and 2,000 videos and other media. GIA India students have access to the Library's reference service and online resources.

Archives. The Library's archives and rare book collection has works dating back to 1496. Public domain works (pre-1930) are being digitised with over 1,200 titles freely available on the Internet Archive at https://archive.org/details/gialibrary.

eBooks. Students and alumni may access more than 500 eBooks and 6,000 magazines on the Libby app at https://libbyapp.com. Contact us at library@gia.edu for a username and password.

Website. The library section of the GIA website offers additional resources, from recommended book lists to listings of gemstone pricing guides and appraisal associations. www.GIA.edu/library

Reference service. The library is the first point of reference for gem and jewellery professionals. Whether in person or by phone or email, librarians answer questions from scientists, jewellers, gemologists, students, researchers, authors and the media from around the world. They provide quick reference information on topics including treatments, laboratory-grown gems, business management, jewellery history and more.

Hours and contact. The Library is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. PT, Monday through Friday. Contact us at library@gia.edu, +1 760 603 4046 or +1 800 421 7250 ext. 4046.

Education Stone Sets

Our education stone sets are a significant learning resource used by students to gain hands-on, practical experience in diamond grading, gem identification and coloured stone grading. Each series of stone sets is specifically integrated with the curriculum at the appropriate learning point. Each stones is carefully selected to ensure students are exposed to a wide variety of natural, lab-grown, and treated gem species, varieties and qualities they might encounter once employed in the trade.

Blackboard Learning Management System

Students have 24/7 online access to the Blackboard Learning Management System (LMS). Gemmology students access their curriculum in a media-rich online format with embedded videos and animations to supplement learning, as well as an online glossary and links to additional learning resources such as additional videos, supplemental reading, PDF charts and references. For all On Campus students, the LMS provides access to the GIA Library and Museum's digital resources, including eBooks, audio books and videos, digital periodicals, the digitised rare book collection, the library lecture schedule, virtual museum exhibits and the Gübelin Gem Project (a repository of data on over 400 gemstones).

GIA Alumni Collective™

The GIA Alumni Collective is here to provide students and graduates with diverse opportunities, insights and connections that fuel their development, progress and passion at every point of their career. Contact us at alumni@gia.edu.

Membership. After successfully completing a GIA programme, graduates become part of our alumni community, the GIA Alumni Collective™, an elite global network with over 165,000 members across 59 chapters worldwide. The GIA Alumni Collective connects graduates to an open, inspirational and passionate community that aims to help graduates cultivate a lifetime of success.

The online community. GIA alumni are key influencers throughout the gem and jewellery industry. Our GIA Alumni Collective online community allows GIA graduates to communicate with like-minded gem and jewellery professionals and display their credentials in our Alumni Directory. Not only can GIA graduates view and participate in virtual and in-person events in their local areas, they can go beyond their borders and network with alumni from around the world. Register for the community at https://collective.GIA.edu.

Global chapters. GIA's global chapters span the globe from Manhattan to Mumbai. As a member of the GIA Alumni Collective, you have the opportunity to participate in local meetings and events that further your professional development and connect you to your gem and jewellery community. Visit https://collective.gia.edu/global-chapters.html to explore or join a local chapter.

Academic Policies and Procedures

Academic policies and procedures help ensure the quality of every student's academic experience, support the investment our graduates make in their education and help to preserve the integrity of GIA's diplomas and certificates.

Attendance Policy

The curriculum is intense and students are strongly encouraged not to miss any class time. Classes begin promptly at the scheduled start time. A student may not leave the classroom without advising the instructor except at scheduled breaks.

Attendance is taken every morning and at each scheduled break in full-hour increments. For the remote portion of a blended programme, students are advised to keep their videos turned on. A student who misses any part of a scheduled class hour (or fails to respond during a remote session) will be marked for a full hour missed. For example, if a student arrives 10 minutes late to class, they are marked for one hour missed. Students are responsible for monitoring their own attendance and understanding how many hours they have missed in each course or program.

Programs and Course Structure

- Single-course programs: Attendance requirements apply to the program as a whole.
- Multi-course programs: Attendance requirements apply individually to each course within the program. Students must meet the attendance requirements in each course in order to successfully complete the overall program.

Attendance Warning

Students who are nearing the midpoint of the maximum allowable absence hours will receive an Attendance Warning, issued in writing. This warning serves as an opportunity to correct attendance patterns before probation is initiated.

Attendance Probation

Students who accumulate absences totaling six hours less than the maximum allowed will be placed on Attendance Probation and notified in writing. This status indicates that the student is at serious risk of exceeding the attendance limit and must take immediate corrective action. Students who exceed the maximum allowable absence hours are subject to dismissal from the program.

Additional Consequences

Students who do not meet the conditions of their attendance probation may be required to repeat part or all of the course. In such cases, students are responsible for any associated tuition and fees.

Attendance Charts

Attendance requirements, including maximum hours permitted to be missed, are outlined in the chart provided for each program (or course, where applicable).

Maximum Allowable Missed Hours - On Campus

Programme	Programme	Maximum Missed Hours
Graduate Gemologist	780	68*
Graduate Colored Stones	570	47
Jewelry Design	270	23
Graduate Diamonds Graduate Diamonds (Blended) Comprehensive CAD/CAM for Jewelry	210	21
Applied Jewelry Professional	35	3

* No more than 21 hours may be missed in the Graduate Diamonds and 47 hours in the Graduate Colored Stones course.

Maximum Allowable Missed Hours - Lab Classes

Class	Class Hours	Maximum Missed Hours
Diamond Grading Lab Gem Identification Lab	35	3*
Colored Stone Grading Lab	21	2*
Pearl Grading Lab	7	0*

* Students cannot miss any hours on the first day of class.

Clock Hours

"Clock hours" refers to number of scheduled instructional hours for each programme. One clock hour equals a minimum of 50 instructional minutes within a 60-minute time period. The definition of a clock hour is separate from, and does not apply to, GIA's attendance policy.

Make-Up Hours

The attendance policy allows for a limited number of excused missed hours; make-up hours are not available. Accommodation is made for an approved religious observance. Accommodation requests are to be submitted to the school director for consideration.

Homework Policy

Homework must be submitted by the scheduled due date and time indicated on the class schedule. Students who do not submit homework on time receive a score of zero.

Make-Up Work

Students have ample time to make-up missed practical work during regularly scheduled lab hours. A student may be approved to make-up a missed quiz or homework assignment for extenuating circumstances such as injury or illness, death in the family, or other circumstance determined by the institution. Requests are to be submitted to the school director for consideration.

Classroom Policies

Students are required to adhere to the following policies:

- Use of mobile phones and other devices in class is strictly prohibited. These devices must be set on silent and placed in a designated location. Devices may be used if the student leaves the classroom.
- Eating is not permitted in classrooms. Beverages in closed containers are allowed.
- Non-GIA issued tools are not allowed in the classroom. Exceptions may be approved by the school director for safety or ergonomic considerations. GIA is not responsible for loss of or damage to personal tools.
- Keycards may not be taken from any classroom.
- Blank or completed worksheets, quizzes or exams may not be taken out of the classroom.
- Projects and materials may not be taken out of the classroom without the instructors permission.
- Students must work individually unless the instructor directs otherwise.
- Photography is not permitted in the classroom without prior approval.

Programme-specific policies may be provided and reviewed during orientation.

Academic Integrity Policy

GIA highly values academic integrity, meaning an honest representation of one's own work. While we also value the benefit of collaborative education where students are able to work with and learn from one another, there is a line between collaboration and academic dishonesty. Students who violate this policy are subject to discipline up to and including dismissal. Examples of academic dishonesty include but are not limited to the following:

Cheating. Copying another students work or using unauthorized aids during an examination/quiz to complete a project, assignment or worksheet. Examples of unauthorized aids include written notes, mobile phone or other device, AI, the Internet, homework/quiz sharing sites, and artificial intelligence (AI) tools unless explicitly authorized by the instructor.

Plagiarism. Copying work or ideas, including but not limited to the use of electronic aids and misrepresenting them as one's own.

Falsification. Making up fictitious information or altering records for the purpose of misrepresentation.

Facilitation. Helping another student to cheat, plagiarize, or falsify information. Examples include knowingly allowing another student to copy your work; sharing or exchanging quiz, exam or assignment questions and/or answers with another student, on a site that may be searched by others, or referring another student to those sites; copying or reproducing keycards or quiz, exam or assignment questions by any means; or unauthorized possession of practical assignments or projects

The use of artificial intelligence (AI) tools, including but not limited to generative AI platforms, to assist with or complete coursework (e.g., assignments, projects, or assessments) is prohibited unless explicitly authorized by the instructor. Any unauthorized use of AI will be considered a violation of this Academic Integrity Policy.

Student Identity Verification

GIA establishes that the student who registers in a programme is the same who participates in and completes the programme by one or more of the following methods:

- Collecting a copy of a government-issued photo ID or passport
- Using a secure login and password to complete written assignments, quizzes and exams
- Taking and recording attendance

Testing Policy

Testing measures a student's comprehension of the curriculum and mastery of skills. The following rules apply:

- Students are strongly advised not to miss a scheduled quiz, test or exam. Those not taken on the scheduled date and time receive a score of zero.
- Quizzes, tests and exams in progress may be declared null and void if a classroom must be evacuated for any reason. The test will be rescheduled as necessary.
- Quizzes, tests and exams must be completed within the specified time limit.
- All quizzes, tests and exams are closed-book unless the instructor indicates otherwise.
- All quiz, test and exam submissions are final.
- Reviews of specific exam questions are only provided to gemmology students who do not pass.
- Students with English as a second language may use a printed English translation dictionary, but only after it is examined by the instructor. Electronic translators may not be used.
- Unauthorised electronic devices may not be used during testing.
  - Mobile devices must be turned off and placed in a designated location.
  - Cameras and other recording devices are not allowed.
  - Standard, non-programmable calculators are allowed.
  - In some cases, GIA may provide electronic devices; if so, students must follow instructor's directions.

Grading System

Progress and quality of students' work in their program of study is measured by a system of letter grades and grade percentages as shown below. Grades are based on the quality of work as reflected by the learning deliverables and indicated in the course syllabus.

Letter Grade	Percentage Range	Grade Points / Grade Definition
A+	100-98	4.0
A	97-95	4.0
A-	94-90	3.7
B+	89-88	3.3
B	87-85	3.0
B-	84-80	2.7
C+	79-78	2.3
C	77-75	2.0
C-	74-70	1.7
D+	69-68	1.3
D	67-65	1.0
D-	64-60	0.7
F	59-below	0.0
L	Leave	Student has partially completed coursework; remaining work to be finished at a future date. No impact on GPA.
INC	Incomplete	This is a temporary grade that is converted to a letter grade or SWD based on the final grade earned. Students who fail to complete their coursework within the agreed-upon time receive a final grade of SWD.
SWD	Student Withdrawal	Student was withdrawn from their course after the cancellation period.
R	Repeat	Course has been retaken and the original grade is replaced by the new grade for academic record purposes.

Professional Development Courses

Courses are graded using a Pass/No Pass grading system as defined below.

Grade	Definition
P (Pass)	75% and higher and met the graduation requirements
NP (No Pass)	74% or less and failure to meet the graduation requirements
SWD (Student Withdrawal)	Student was withdrawn from their course after the cancellation period.

Grading Policy

Final grades are awarded to each student, in each programme, within two business days of the end date. Assignments, quizzes and exams completed in Blackboard are graded immediately upon submission. Practical assignments, quizzes and exams are typically graded within two business days. Students can access grades and monitor their progress throughout their programme in the Blackboard LMS at https://blackboard.gia.edu

Graduating With Honors. Graduating with honors is a tribute that recognizes academic achievement. Students who have achieved a 3.7 GPA or higher in a program will qualify for honors distinction.

Academic Progress Policies

Students are expected to meet institutional academic standards in all courses and programs. All students must meet these institutional standards in order to remain enrolled, regardless of financial aid status. GIA monitors each student's academic progress to ensure they are moving toward successful completion of their program. Students receive progress reports at scheduled benchmarks. Throughout their program, students can monitor their progress in the Blackboard LMS at https://blackboard.gia.edu or request a conference with their instructor.

Academic Advising

All on-campus students are held to academic standards evaluated at benchmarks as specified in the course syllabus. Students who do not meet the academic standards at a benchmark are placed on Academic Advising and required to meet with the school director to create an Academic Improvement Plan tailored to the benchmark requirement that was missed.

The student's progress is monitored by the instructor and the school director. If the student meets all conditions by the date specified in their plan, their academic status is returned to good standing. Students who do not meet the conditions of their Academic Improvement Plan will be required to repeat the hours in the evaluation period see repeated course work See on page 41, or repeat the course to continue the program.

Extended Lab Hours

GIA may schedule additional lab hours for students who are not meeting academic progress standards.

Maximum Timeframe - All Students

All students must complete their program within a maximum timeframe not exceeding 150% of the published program length, measured in clock hours. A student is ineligible to continue when it becomes mathematically impossible to complete the program within this timeframe. Approved leaves of absence (LOAs) are excluded from the maximum timeframe measurement.

Lab Classes

Lab class students are expected to attend scheduled classroom hours and participate in lectures, discussions and lab sessions to successfully progress through the class. Students who exceed the maximum allowable absences as described in the Attendance Policy are dismissed.

Leave of Absence Policy

Students enrolled in any On Campus programme may request a leave of absence (LOA) at any time during their studies with proper cause and supporting documentation. Students enrolled in lab classes and programmes less than 40 hours are not eligible for a leave of absence. An LOA is approved for a documented family emergency, serious illness or for active military duty. GIA may also approve an LOA for involuntary reasons such as national or state emergency, pandemic, or other extenuating circumstances. Contact the school director, or their delegate, at indiaschooldirector@gia.edu for additional information.

A leave will be approved if GIA determines that i) there is a reasonable expectation that the student will return, ii) the request complies with this policy and iii) there is space available for the student to return to the programme within the maximum allowable leave time. If approved, an addendum to the student's enrolment agreement is generated.

Maximum Length. The maximum length of time for an LOA is 180 calendar days. A student may be granted more than one leave, but combined cannot exceed 180 calendar days within a 12-month period. Students must submit any request to extend an approved LOA in writing to the school director prior to the expiration of their original LOA.

Requesting Leave. The LOA request must be submitted in writing to the school director in advance. The request must be signed and dated by the student and include the reason for the request. If unforeseen circumstances prevent a student from providing a prior written request, GIA may approve the student's leave and collect the written, signed

and dated request at a later date. Students who do not select an available return date within five business days of submitting the LOA request will be withdrawn.

Returning from Leave. Students are placed back into the programme at a point determined to ensure their success, generally students are asked to repeat two weeks. There is no fee for repeat class time. Students may return earlier from a leave given class availability. Students who do not return as agreed are withdrawn. A final grade of SWD is posted to the student's academic record and any refund is calculated according to the terms of the student's enrolment agreement. Withdrawn students who wish to continue will need to re-enrol from the beginning of the programme at current tuition and fees.

Dismissal Policy

GIA may terminate a student's enrolment for academic, attendance or behavioural reasons at any time. Reasons for dismissal include, but are not limited to:

- Violation of Student Code of Conduct and Standards of Behaviour or other institutional policies
- Failure to meet academic progress standards
- Failure to abide by the attendance policy
- Cheating or any other form of academic dishonesty
- Offensive, disruptive, threatening, harassing, bullying or insubordinate behaviour
- Stealing school property or the personal property of any individual
- Use, possession or sale of alcohol, illegal drugs or controlled substances anywhere on school premises
- Possession of firearms or other weapons on school premises
- Providing false information and/or wilfully omitting information on any GIA document or form
- Conducting any activities that harm the name, reputation or property of GIA

Upon dismissal, a final grade of SWD is posted to the student's academic record and any refund is calculated according to GIA's Refund Policy. International students who are dismissed are in violation of their granted visa and must meet with the international student advisor or other designated school official to discuss their status.

Appeal for Readmission

Students who are dismissed must submit a formal appeal in order to be readmitted into any GIA programme, course or class. Submitting an appeal does not guarantee readmission, which is at the sole discretion of GIA.

Appeal Process

Students must submit an *Appeal for Readmission Form* and any additional supporting documentation to the Admissions Committee for review. The school director, or their delegate, will notify the student of the committee's decision within 10 business days of the receipt of the appeal. If a decision has not been reached within 10 business days, the student will be notified that additional time is required. If approved, the student is notified of any readmission terms or conditions.

A student may submit a maximum of three appeals. If a student is dismissed for behaviour reasons and the first appeal is denied, subsequent appeals will only be considered following a one-year waiting period.

Repeated Coursework

Students on Academic Advising who fail to meet the conditions of their academic improvement plan may be required to repeat part or all of a course or program to fulfil graduation requirements, with associated charges applying. Repeats are subject to seat availability and contingent upon the student's successful appeal to repeat, as well as their ability to mathematically meet the cumulative GPA requirements.

Graduation Requirements

To maintain enrollment, students must continue to meet academic progress, attendance, and behavioral standards throughout their program. In order to graduate and earn their credential, students must satisfy the minimum academic requirements detailed in the course syllabus. All tuition and fees must be paid in full and all stones, equipment, library books, and materials must be returned in good condition prior to graduation. Certificates and diplomas are not awarded until all educational and financial obligations are met.

Graduation Requirements – Gemology & Jewelry Arts Programs

- Complete all practical work as specified in the course syllabus.
- Pass both the practical and written final examinations with a minimum score of 75 percent or higher.
- Achieve a minimum cumulative course grade point average (GPA) of 75 percent (C) or better.

Program-Specific Requirements

- Graduate Colored Stones Program: Students are required to pass the practical examination with a perfect score of 100 percent.
- Graduate Gemologist Program: To be awarded the Graduate Gemologist diploma, students must successfully complete both the Graduate Colored Stones and Graduate Diamonds courses, meeting all requirements listed above in each course.



GIA On Campus Program Graduates

Student Records

The care and protection of applicant, student and graduate data is of utmost importance. GIA's Student Privacy Notice, found at www.GIA.edu/student-privacy-notice, describes the policies and practices regarding our processing, including collection, use and handling of personal data. Student records are maintained in accordance with federal, state and accreditation requirements; transcript data is retained permanently.

Contact Information

Students may update their contact information by contacting us at eduindia@gia.edu.

Legal Names

A person's legal first, middle and last name as it appears on official governmental documents is required for official student records and will appear on all transcripts, certificates and diplomas. Students may request to not display their middle name on their credential by contacting the student records department.

GIA requires official documentation and written authorisation to make changes or corrections to the legal name listed in your student records. You must submit one document that shows the current/old name that is in our records and another document that shows your new/updated name. The following documentation is acceptable:

- Valid government-issued photo ID
- Marriage certificate
- Divorce decree
- Naturalisation documents
- Other court-issued document

Preferred Name

GIA recognises that many students use a first name other than their legal first name to identify themselves. A student's preferred name will be displayed on class rosters, in the learning management system (Blackboard) and in the My GIA Education Portal. Students may provide a preferred first name at the time of admission or anytime thereafter on the My GIA Education Portal.

Letters of Good Standing

Upon request, GIA will issue a letter of good standing that are typically needed by insurance companies or other agencies as evidence of student status. A student is considered to be in good standing if they are not currently on an academic advising or probation status. GIA does not issue letters of recommendation. Contact us at eduindia@gia.edu or +1 212 944 5900 ext. 3533.

Transcripts

Current students may download an unofficial transcript on the My GIA Education Portal at https://education.GIA.edu. Graduates may contact our campus manager at eduindia@gia.edu to request a copy of their unofficial transcript. These are provided at no charge.

Current students may order an official transcript from our vendor on the My GIA Education Portal at https://education.GIA.edu. Current students and graduates may order an official transcript directly from our vendor at www.parchment.com/u/registration/individual. There is a 10 USD fee for each transcript ordered.

Contact us at eduindia@gia.edu for inquiries or further instructions.

Diplomas and Certificates

Students will receive both a printed and a digital copy of their On Campus diploma or certificate once all graduation requirements are met and the credential has been conferred. Print diplomas are mailed directly to the student's address on record. Students may update their shipping address by emailing eduindia@gia.edu. The student will receive a confirmation email once the print diploma or certificate has shipped and a second notification with access to their digital diploma or certificate.

Students must report in writing if a printed diploma or certificate is damaged in transit or was not received within 10 business days after receiving the shipment confirmation. A photo may be required in the case of damage. In these cases, a replacement is provided at no charge and will be reshipped within 15 business days of receiving the student's written notice. For inquiries, contact us at eduindia@gia.edu or 1 800 419 9914 or +91 22 4085 1500

Diploma and Certificate Holds

Students will not receive a diploma or certificate until all academic and financial obligations are met.

Reprint Diplomas and Certificates

Reprint diplomas and certificates are 70 USD and 65 USD respectively. Reprint diplomas and certificates are issued in the current format and include the reissue date. All reprints bear the signatures of GIA's current school officials. To order a replacement, contact the vendor at https://parchmentsupport.force.com or student records at eduindia@gia.edu or 1 800 419 9914 or +91 22 4085 1500.

Education Verification

Those wanting to confirm a GIA graduate's credentials may check the GIA Alumni Online Directory. The search results will return those graduates who have opted to have their information displayed online. Individuals may also submit a written request to verify a graduate's credentials by submitting the request form on our website located at www.GIA.edu/doc/GIA_Education_Verification-Request.pdf.

Academic Credentials Usage Policy

Academic credentials from the Gemological Institute of America (GIA) are highly respected in the gem and jewelry industry. Recipients of GIA diplomas should append their academic designation to their name and follow specific usage standards. Credentials can be displayed in their entirety, but must not imply affiliation or endorsement by GIA. Only diplomas or degrees should be listed on business cards, while individual coursework should be on resumes.

For detailed guidance, please refer to the GIA Usage Guidelines located here: https://www.gia.edu/copyrights-trademarks#diplomas.

Administrative Policies

This section includes standards, policies and procedures that describe the rights and responsibilities of students.

Student Code of Conduct and Standards of Behaviour

GIA's Student Code of Conduct and Standards of Behaviour protects the rights of students and employees and ensures a safe, secure and positive learning environment for all students. GIA students are expected to behave in a professional manner and to treat others with dignity and respect at all times. Students are responsible for reading, understanding and following all GIA student policies.

Prohibited behaviour includes, but is not limited to:

- Threatening or harassing behaviour, including sexual harassment or misconduct
- Acts of retaliation against another student or GIA staff member
- Acts or threats of violence
- Possession of a firearm or other weapon on campus
- Use, sale, purchase, transfer, manufacture, distribution, or possession of illegal drugs, controlled substances or alcohol
- Forgery, fraud or dishonesty
- Disruptive, insubordinate or unlawful behaviour
- Academic dishonesty
- Property damage or theft
- Violation of other GIA policies

In addition to the policies published in this catalogue, students are expected to adhere to policies and procedures relating to drug and alcohol abuse prevention, workplace and campus violence, discrimination, harassment and misconduct published at www.GIA.edu/student-consumer-information.

Students who become aware of anything that seems unsafe, improper, or illegal must report it to GIA staff immediately.

Social Media and Networking

GIA embraces the opportunities and information available to students and staff through social media such as networking sites, blogs, wikis, chat rooms and others. However, any online behaviour which is brought to the attention of a school official that violates the Student Code of Conduct and Standards of Behaviour may be addressed under this policy.

Students are asked to use good judgement as their actions and statements have the ability to adversely affect themselves, others and the school as a whole. Posts on social media may be replicated quickly, be taken out of context and remain public for an indeterminate amount of time.

Communication between current students and GIA employees on social media may create the appearance of favouritism or conflict of interest. Therefore, staff are subject to GIA's employee social media and networking policies when communicating with students on social networks.

Violations

The school director or their delegate will commence an investigation into allegations of violation of student code of conduct. Students are required to cooperate with GIA representatives during an investigation. GIA considers all information collected during an investigation in the decision-making process. To maintain the safety and the integrity of its investigation, GIA reserves the right to suspend a student pending investigation. GIA will make every effort to operate on the fundamental principle of mutual trust and respect among students, faculty, staff and administration.

Sanctions

With sufficient evidence, GIA at its sole discretion may impose one or more sanctions, depending on the nature and severity of the offence. Sanctions may include verbal warning, written warning, behavioural probation, or dismissal. In cases involving potential criminal conduct, GIA will determine in its sole discretion whether appropriate law enforcement or other authority must be notified.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention

GIA insists on an alcohol and drug-free environment and prohibits the unlawful use, sale, purchase, transfer, manufacture, distribution, or possession of illegal drugs, controlled substances, or alcohol on GIA premises, at GIA sponsored events or activities.

The terms "illegal drugs" and "restricted items" include all chemical substances or drugs listed by the Government of India in the LIST OF DRUGS PROHIBITED FOR MANUFACTURE AND SALE THROUGH GAZETTE NOTIFICATIONS UNDER SECTION 26A OF DRUGS & COSMETICS ACT 1940 BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE. The list of these drugs can be found with the manager of admission and student services. Prescription medications that have not been properly prescribed to the individual by a doctor are included in this policy.

Students or any person in the school community who are aware of the use or existence of any such substances at GIA should notify a staff member immediately.

Violation of this policy will result in disciplinary action up to, and including, student dismissal. Students may be subject to federal, state, and local fines and/or prosecution. GIA will determine in its sole discretion whether the appropriate law enforcement or other authorities will be notified.

Dress Code

GIA's dress code helps maintain an environment that is safe, professional, respectful and inclusive for all. Students are expected to dress in good taste and appropriate for the occasion or setting. Students are encouraged to dress comfortably with safety as an important consideration. Clothing must cover all undergarments. No underwear or undergarments may be visible at any time. Clothing must not be see-through. Bare feet and clothing with derogatory or offensive messages are prohibited.

Smoking on Campus

Smoking, including e-cigarettes, or use of tobacco in any other form, is prohibited inside GIA buildings. Please also refrain from smoking in front of the building.

Campus Safety and Security

Keeping GIA campuses safe for our students, employees and visitors is one of our top priorities. During hands-on lab sessions, students may use chemicals, equipment and tools that can be hazardous if they are handled incorrectly or without proper precautions. Students must follow all safety guidelines and the instructor's directions when using dangerous tools or hazardous substances and wash their hands thoroughly after handling any chemicals.

Student Notification of Classroom Chemical Usage

GIA recommends and promotes awareness on the use of good laboratory practices to individuals who may be exposed to chemicals such as gem refractive index (RI) liquid, which contains diiodomethane also known as Methylene Iodide. RI liquid is used in Graduate Colored Stones, Gem Identification Lab and the Student Workroom. You may need to exercise special precautions if you are pregnant, if you have certain medical conditions and/or if you have sensitivity or are allergic to this chemical. If you are unsure, contact your physician for advice. GIA provides protective gloves and appropriate disposal containers in each classroom. The Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is posted in each classroom and GIA will provide a copy on request.

Weapons

Under no circumstances are students or visitors allowed to bring firearms or other weapons to campus. Students found carrying or concealing weapons are disciplined, up to and including dismissal from GIA and referral to appropriate law enforcement agencies.

Search and Seizure

GIA may open and inspect the contents of any student's desk, locker, computer files and software, or other furnishings, if warranted in its judgement, to ensure the health and safety of students and employees. GIA, an independent security service or law enforcement may conduct inspections or searches at any time without notice, including at times when the student is not present. In light of this policy, students should not bring to or store on GIA premises any documents, materials or other item for which they desire privacy. Personal items such as backpacks, purses, totes or other belongings may be subject to search if warranted. Failure to cooperate in any inspection can lead to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal from GIA.

Video and Audio Monitoring

Due to the nature of its business, GIA must ensure the integrity and security of its premises and processes, including but not limited to customer service and the handling of valuable customer property. Accordingly, GIA uses both electronic video and audio monitoring in the workplace. The monitored content may include students' personal data, including without limitation video recordings, audio recordings, footage and photographs of students, casual communications near these locations and name or any other personal data revealed in video or audio recordings. We do so on the basis of compliance with a legal obligation or for our legitimate interests to protect our business, locations, workers and other parties. Students should not have an expectation of privacy in any public or work areas (GIA does not monitor restrooms or dressing areas).

Each facility has signage posted in the locations where video and audio monitoring is occurring. Please see Student Privacy Notice at www.GIA.edu/privacy-notice for complete disclosure.

Student Privacy Notice

GIA values the privacy of your personal data. This Student Privacy Notice ("Notice") describes GIA's policies and practices regarding our collection, use and handling of your personal data in connection with your relationship with GIA as an educational services applicant, student, or alumni. For complete disclosure and updates, please refer to the Student Privacy Notice at www.GIA.edu/student-privacy-notice.

If you use GIA websites other than as an educational services applicant, student, or alumni, your use of those other GIA websites and any information that you submit to us through those other GIA websites will be governed by the posted GIA website privacy notice.

For complete disclosure and updates, please refer to the GIA Privacy Notice at www.GIA.edu/privacy-notice and to the Student Privacy Notice at www.GIA.edu/student-privacy-notice.

Personal Data Collection, Use and Processing

In connection with your relationship with GIA, GIA collects personal data about you (whether online, in-person, or through other means) from the following sources: directly from you; from our affiliated entities, including our subsidiaries and branch offices; from service providers; from alumni chapters; and automatically as you visit GIA websites.

We use your Personal Data for the purposes described in further detail in the Student Privacy Notice at www.GIA.edu/privacy-notice#student-privacy-notice, including to facilitate your experience with GIA and provide you with educational services and related products. We may share your Personal Data with our GIA Affiliated Entities at www.GIA.edu/affiliated-entities and others as described in this Notice.

Providing your Personal Data is voluntary. Please note, however, that without your Personal Data, we may be unable to provide you with the educational services and related products you request.

Reasonable Accommodation

GIA is committed to ensuring equal access to its programmes and activities for qualified individuals, including individuals with disabilities. This includes making reasonable, appropriate and effective modifications in policies, practices and procedures for qualified individuals with disabilities. GIA does not discriminate against individuals with disabilities seeking to apply to its programmes.

Requesting accommodation. Students requesting reasonable accommodation must provide documentation of the reported disability along with the Reasonable Accommodation Request Form to the school director. Documentation must be from a professional who is qualified in the testing of the disability. GIA will review the request and inform the student or applicant of its decision in writing.

Confidentiality. All information submitted to or developed by the Institute related to the diagnosis, documentation, or accommodation of a disability is considered confidential. Information is only accessible to and/or shared with GIA employees who have a need to know in order to determine or implement required accommodations.

Providing accommodation. Each circumstance will be considered on an individual basis according to the means, limits and experience of GIA and the request under consideration, at the time of such request. Qualified individuals with disabilities must meet the academic and technical requirements for admission and participation in GIA's education programmes and services. Each course requires students to perform particular physical and cognitive tasks. Upon request, GIA is pleased to discuss these tasks with the applicant to evaluate the applicant's potential for success and decision to apply.

Students must continue to meet minimum academic, attendance and behavioural standards as defined in these policies. If a student requests accommodation after being placed on academic advising or probation or is dismissed, the terms of academic advising, probation or dismissal still stand.

Complaint Policy and Procedure

Complaint Policy

GIA takes student complaints seriously. GIA reviews all complaints in a timely, fair and equitable manner. GIA gives all individuals named in a complaint, including students, faculty and staff, an opportunity to respond to the complaint. Students are required to cooperate with GIA representatives during an investigation in which we believe the student(s) may provide relevant information. GIA considers all of the information collected in the decision-making process.

Complaint Procedure

Students should raise concerns as soon as possible so that they can be properly addressed. Students are encouraged to try to resolve any issue or concern by first discussing them with the appropriate school official. If the student is unable to reach a resolution, or in cases where informal resolution is not appropriate, the student may submit a formal complaint.

A formal complaint must be submitted to the school director in writing at indiaschooldirector@gia.edu and contain the basis of any allegation, relevant names and dates and a brief description of the actions forming the basis of the complaint. Copies of available documents providing additional reasonable and credible information that support the complaint should be included.

The director will provide a written summary of the school's investigation and decision within 10 business days of receiving a formal complaint. If the investigation cannot be completed within 10 business days, the student will be notified that additional time is required.

If the student does not feel the school has adequately addressed the complaint, they may submit their complaint to GIA's Headquarters by emailing the dean of students at deanstudents@gia.edu. The complaint must contain the basis of any allegation, relevant names and dates and a brief description of the actions forming the basis of the complaint. Copies of available documents providing additional reasonable and credible information that support the complaint should be included. The dean will provide a written summary of the school's investigation and decision within 10 business days of receiving a formal complaint. If the investigation cannot be completed within 10 business days, the student will be notified that additional time is required.

If for any reason a person does not feel comfortable directly reporting a complaint as described above, they may report a concern confidentially through GIA's Concern Reporting system at www.GIAwis.ethicspoint.com.

Schools accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC) must have a written complaint policy and procedure for the purpose of receiving, responding to, addressing and resolving as appropriate, complaints made by students, faculty, administrators or any other person who has good reason to believe the school is not in compliance with DEAC standards and policies. Where issues or educational services, student services, or tuition are concerned, a student complainant must have exhausted all efforts to resolve a complaint with the institution before filing a complaint with DEAC.

Complaints may be submitted to DEAC using the complaint form found at www.deac.org/Student-Center/Complaint-Process.aspx. Written complaints will also be accepted by mail or other form of effective delivery to DEAC, provided they include (1) the complainant's name and contact information (2) the basis of any allegation of noncompliance with DEAC standards and procedures; (3) all relevant names and dates and a brief description of the actions forming the basis of the complaint; (4) copies of any available documents or materials that support the allegations; and (5) a release authorising DEAC to forward a copy of the complaint,

including identification of the complainant(s) to the institution. Written complaints may be submitted to:

Executive Director, DEAC
1101 17th Street NW, Suite 808
Washington, DC 20036 USA
ATTN: Complaints

Non-Retaliation Policy

Threats, other forms of intimidation and retaliation against a student or employee for bringing a complaint of harassment or discrimination or for assisting another in bringing a complaint are prohibited. Retaliation is itself a violation of GIA policy and applicable law and is a serious offence. Acts of retaliation may result in discipline up to and including dismissal or termination.

Student ID Badges

At the beginning of class, an ID card or badge will be issued to each On Campus student. ID badges must be carried and available at all times while on campus. There is a fee to replace lost badges. ID cards or badges must be returned if a student is no longer enrolled before his or her end date.

Lost or Damaged Materials

Students are responsible for the books, equipment, metals and stones available for use in the classroom or loaned to them during the term of their enrolment. Students are charged the replacement cost determined by GIA for any lost books, equipment and stones and the repair costs of equipment that is damaged beyond normal wear and tear; replacing an item is not an option. If the item is found at a later date, the amount will be refunded to the student.

Gifts

GIA's policy is that neither GIA nor staff may receive gifts. GIA understands and appreciates the various gift-giving traditions in all of the countries and cultures where we work. Given the special nature of our work, however, we observe very strict gift-giving policies to avoid a conflict of interest, or even the appearance of one. Visit www.GIA.edu/ethics-compliance to view the GIA Code of Conduct.

Commercial Activities

GIA does not permit students to conduct commercial or business activities on GIA property. The display and sale of merchandise is not permitted.

Copyright Infringement and Peer-to-Peer File Sharing

Students must comply with federal copyright laws. Unauthorised distribution of copyrighted materials, including peer-to-peer file sharing, may subject a student to civil and criminal prosecution in addition to disciplinary action by GIA, up to and including dismissal. See www.GIA.edu/copyright-infringement for the full policy.

GIA's names and logos, like those of most organisations, are valid trademarks and as such may not be used except as described at www.GIA.edu/copyrights-trademarks. The same is true for GIA's copyrighted materials (including all GIA publications, course materials and printed forms), which may be used only by obtaining prior written consent from GIA. For intellectual property usage requests, please email guidelines@gia.edu.

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