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## تحديات الحلول العالمية المستدامة

# CONNECT YOUR STUDENTS TO THE WORLD

Interested in sustainability? Global business?  
Empowering students to make a difference?

JOIN THE GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CHALLENGE AND UNLOCK YOUR  
COMMUNITIES' POTENTIAL FOR SUSTAINABLE HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM  
FALL SEMESTER 2018

Students from select schools in the US and Jordan team up via virtual exchange to take on the global challenges facing the hospitality field. Semi-finalist teams will have the opportunity to travel to Washington, DC to compete in the Global Solutions Summit.

The 2018 challenge is to Unlock Your Communities' Potential for Sustainable Hospitality and Tourism.

See the back for more details.

### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Go to [www.irex.org/globalsolutions](http://www.irex.org/globalsolutions) to download the application

Submit your application with the signed letter of endorsement from your school administrator by email to [globalsolutions@irex.org](mailto:globalsolutions@irex.org)

**DEADLINE: MAY 25, 2018**





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## UNLOCK YOUR COMMUNITIES' POTENTIAL FOR SUSTAINABLE HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM

The Global Solutions Sustainability Challenge is a virtual exchange initiative that pairs colleges from the United States and Jordan to work together on a collaborative international team to compete with their peers by creating innovative solutions to pressing global problems affecting their local communities.

AUGUST 2018

DECEMBER 2018



Teacher development



The 10-week sustainability challenge



Virtual fair\*

*\*Finalists invited to an in-person summit in Washington, DC winter 2018/2019*

The challenge uses virtual exchange to improve global citizenship and problem-solving skills among hospitality and business students in postsecondary colleges in the US and Jordan. By exposing students to real-world applications in their subject areas and equipping faculty with skills in teaching global competence through project-based learning, we can increase career readiness.

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It's not about winning or losing. This challenge provides you with the skills needed for the real world!”

- College Student, Amman, Jordan



**To participate in the Global Solutions Challenge, facilitators must apply on behalf of their students and schools. The selected facilitators will:**

- Form and lead a gender-balance team from their college of at least eight students;
- Participate in professional development training;
- Partner effectively with their facilitator co-lead in Jordan
- Lead the team's virtual and in-person instruction and collaboration;
- Engage in ongoing communications and support with IREX, including anecdotes and photographs;
- Motivate and ensure the team's completion of survey evaluation data and the challenge.

**The participating team will:**

- Work with their counterparts in Jordan over the course of the program through a virtual platform to collaboratively design and implement innovative solutions to the team's selected global challenge;
- Ensure their ideas are innovative, their own, and meet academic integrity standards;
- Submit a business plan of their solution and a video no longer than five-minutes to creatively showcase their solution and be considered as a finalist;
- If selected as a semifinalist, attend the Global Solutions summit in Washington, DC.

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