

Message from GO on 6/16/2020:

Dear participants in the SWSB London Fall 2020 program,

Thank you for providing us with your preference regarding whether or not to continue with the program without the internship. Based on your feedback, it is clear that the international internship and ability to travel were important for you to have on your GO Long experience.

Therefore, **we have decided to suspend the Fall 2020 program in London.** This decision was made based on your feedback, the ability to maintain the integrity of the program, and your health and safety.

**GO Program options:**

While we do not yet know what will happen for future travel, we are still planning for GO Long programs in Spring 2021 and beyond. Therefore, we have slightly increased the capacity of the Spring 2021 and Fall 2021 semesters. Please complete this form <link removed for posting> in order to indicate if you would be interested in participating in a GO Long program for the upcoming semesters. Please remember that the more flexible you are with the semester, the more we will be able to accommodate you on the program.

This is to get your preference and interest – we will follow up with you once we have received all of the submissions. Therefore, please complete the form by June 30.

**Fall Semester:**

You should have completed housing and on-campus course registration for the Fall 2020 semester. If you have any questions about housing, please contact Residence Life. If you have any questions about your courses, please work with your advisor and the Registrar's Office.

The GO office will work with Student Financial Services to remove any deposits/fees for the SWSB London GO Long program that were on your account.

We are disappointed about the need for this action, as we know that you are — and we have made this difficult decision in the best interest of your personal health and well-being. As always, if you have questions, please let us know.

Best,

Molly Roe and Scott Manning, GO Program

Dr. Habegger and Dean Rousu, Sigmund Weis School of Business

Message from SWSB on 6/5/2020:

Dear Fall 2020 London Program Students:

I hope your summers have started well. As promised, we have an update on the internships. There are two key factors that have helped us make our decision:

- The UK is still requiring a 14-day quarantine and we are not sure when this will end, and
- We are unsure if businesses will allow in-person internships in the fall.

Because of these factors, we do not want to start the process of obtaining visas now, which costs several hundred dollars (each).

Therefore, we will not run the traditional 11-week, 2-days a week internships. Should the program run, we will run a consulting-style internship.

We are deeply disappointed in having to make this decision, as I am sure you are as well.

As always, if you no longer wish to complete the Fall 2020 London Program, you have the option to opt out and complete the semester on campus and choose another GO Program in consultation with the Global Opportunities Office.

One request we have – could you please confirm by June 12<sup>th</sup> whether you'd like to stay in the London Program? We have a minimum number of students we'd need to run the program, and if several students drop it would force us to cancel the program in its entirety. (And finding this out sooner gives you more time to consider options.)

Once again, I'm sorry to be the bearer of bad news. Please feel free to reach out to me, Dr. Habegger, or the GO Office with questions.

Sincerely,



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