

Terms and Conditions:

Digital Media Academy Corp. ("Digital Media Academy", "DMA") The Global Innovation Race 2026:
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We are thrilled to have you decided to join us for the Global Student Innovation Race. This once-in-a-lifetime opportunity will challenge students to think critically, work collaboratively, and develop innovative solutions that have the potential to shape the future.

Program Fees:

Fees are quoted in U.S. dollars and payment must be in the U.S. Dollars.

Payment may be made by wire transfer (as per the invoice), check, or money order. Please make checks payable to Digital Media Academy Corp. and write the student/school/group's name clearly on the check for reference. For payment by wire transfer, please consult the provided invoice or contact our finance office at finance@digitalmediaacademy.org for wire information.

Items covered by the Program Fees:

- Includes all academic activities.
- Workshops and Seminars: covers participation in specialized sessions and expert-led discussions.
- Accommodation: students stay in shared standard dorms with 2,3 or 4 beds available on a rolling enrollment basis.
- Daily Meals: breakfast, lunch, and dinner served in selected dining halls for participants. The package does not include lunches on tour days.
- Bus transportation and tickets are provided for all tours included in the program.

Items not covered by the Program Fees:

We don't provide airport pickup and drop-off service.

Digital Media Academy is not responsible for providing international or internal airfare, baggage fees, Visa, and entry/exit fees, laundry, communication, health care, travel insurance, gifts, snacks, or other personal expenses. The responsibility and liability for the above-listed items lie solely with the student's school/group and/or parent/guardian.

Cancellation and Refund Policy:

Cancellation by the participant or group

If a participant's enrollment is cancelled, a cancellation fee will be charged based on the date of the cancellation, as specified in the table below. This fee will be calculated over the program fee. The participant may choose between a refund or a credit for the Global Innovation Race 2027 for the remaining balance. All refunds will be processed and returned to the original payment method used for the transaction.

Cancellation date	Refund fee	Credit fee
On or before November 30, 2025	0 %	0 %
On or before December 31, 2025	10 %	0 %
On or before March 31, 2026	25%	10 %
On or before May 31, 2026	50%	25%
On or after June 1 st 2026	No refund and no credit given except with a doctor's note and/or extenuating circumstances, then 75% refund fee or 50% credit of the program fee may be granted at DMA's sole discretion.	

Cancellation by Digital Media Academy (DMA)

DMA reserves the right to alter or cancel any of its programs, courses, activities, or excursions at any time. DMA is not responsible for any costs participants incur in preparation for a canceled program (e.g., travel expenses, etc.).

Cancellation within DMA's Control: If DMA cancels a program prior to its start date due to reasons within our control, participants will receive a full refund of all program fees.

Cancellation Due to Unforeseen Circumstances (Force Majeure): If a program is canceled either before or during its operation due to reasons beyond DMA's control (e.g., natural disaster, government action, pandemic), participants have two options:

- Receive a 75% pro-rated program fee refund.

- Accept a 100% credit toward any future program that begins within 12 months of the canceled program's original start date.

Program Cancellation In Progress: If DMA is required to cancel a program after it has begun, participants will receive a pro-rated refund based on the number of days remaining in the program.

No Refund in Case of Withdrawal or Expulsion: Participants who elect to leave a program once it has started, or who are expelled from a program by DMA, will not receive any refund.

Dismissal from DMA Programs

Digital Media Academy (DMA) expects participants to follow its rules during program activities and interactions. As a condition of participating in the GIR 2026, all participating students must strictly comply with all provisions of the **GIR 2026 Policy and Guidelines**. The Policy and Guidelines are deemed to be a material part of this Agreement and apply to all student activities related to the event.

If a participant's behavior or attitude disrupts the learning environment or harms themselves, others, staff, or partners, DMA may cancel their participation, dismiss them without a refund, and prevent them from future programs. If dismissed, DMA is not responsible for the participant's arrangements and costs, even for international travel. DMA will ensure the dismissed participant's safety until their departure.

Grounds for Dismissal

A participant may be dismissed from the program for, but not limited to, the following behaviors:

- **Attendance & Compliance:** Repeated delays, unauthorized absences or leaves.
- **Safety & Wellness:** Substance use (drugs or alcohol), bullying, violence, or engaging in sexual harassment.
- **Digital & Online Conduct:** Posting inappropriate online content, hacking, or unauthorized equipment use.
- **Respect & Property:** Use of offensive language, theft, property damage, or damage to accommodations.

Trip Cancellation Insurance:

Digital Media Academy does not provide any trip cancellation insurance and does not accept any liability for the cancellation of trips outside the conditions of these terms. Digital Media Academy recommends that you purchase trip cancellation insurance. Please understand that there will be no exceptions to our cancellation policy.

Medical Insurance:

All participants must either have individual travel medical insurance or be covered under the group liability policy. Proof of travel medical insurance coverage will be submitted during the student information collection process after your reservation has been confirmed.

Travel Documents and Information:

Participants are responsible for obtaining any documents required for their participation in the program such as a valid passport, all visas, vaccination certificates, and any other documents. Failure to obtain documents does not negate the terms and conditions, and any extra costs incurred for rerouting or delay due to travel without the necessary documents will be the participant's responsibility. If not a U.S. citizen, participants should contact the embassy or consulate of the countries they will visit or transit through to ensure they obtain the proper documentation.

Limitations on the Use of DMA's Services

Courses are taught in English unless otherwise indicated. It's the responsibility of you and your learner(s) to ensure that he/she/they have attained the level of competency or fluency in English necessary to participate in the Program.

Only learners registered for a Program may participate.

Classes, courses, Camps, and Programs are learning/teaching services only. No specific outcomes are promised or guaranteed. DMA is not responsible for any specific outcome or lack thereof. Digital Media Academy has the right to refuse service.

Privacy Policy:

Our privacy policy can be found in the below Appendix A.

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT AND LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

The undersigned acknowledges that Digital Media Academy, its employees, shareholders, affiliates, officers, directors, successors, and assigns (collectively "Digital Media Academy") do not own, operate, supervise, and/or manage many of the persons or entities which are to or do provide goods or services for the trip or program the undersigned is booking, including, for example, lodging facilities of any kind, airline, vessel or other transportation companies, local guides, guide services or local ground operators even if they use the Digital Media Academy name, providers or organizers

of optional excursions, food service or entertainment providers, etc. All such persons and entities are independent contractors. As a result, Digital Media Academy is not liable for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such person or entity or of any other third party. In addition and without limitation, Digital Media Academy is not responsible for, and we hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold Digital Media Academy harmless from, liability for any injury, loss, death, inconvenience, delay, or damage to personal property, whether resulting from, but not limited to, acts of God or force majeure, acts of war or civil unrest, insurrection or revolt, acts of government, incidents, attacks or bites from domestic or wild animals, insects or pests, strikes or other labor activities, athletic or sporting events or endeavors including the normal risks associated with same, widespread communicable disease outbreak (e.g. COVID-19, SARS, etc.) or other public health emergency event declared by local, State or Federal government order to be an epidemic, pandemic, public emergency or similar, quarantines, or the threat thereof, adequacy or availability of health services and/or evacuation services if necessary, criminal, terrorist or threatened terrorist activities of any kind, overbooking or downgrading of accommodations, mechanical or other failure of airplanes or other means of transportation, or for any failure of any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart timely or safely, or loss, damage or delay in delivery of luggage and/or personal effects, even if caused by the negligence (but not the reckless, willful, or fraudulent conduct) of program staff or other persons or entities. The undersigned accepts all the risks attendant thereto and voluntarily accepts the same risks of the participants's participation in the program. In addition, the undersigned agrees to be bound by Digital Media Academy's Terms of Payment, including policies on refunds, as stated above.

Governing Law and Jurisdiction:

This Agreement shall be governed by, and be construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California, United States of America which shall be deemed to be the proper law of this Agreement. By signing this agreement the undersigned agree with the election of California as the jurisdiction for this agreement.

The undersigned has read and agreed to all the terms of this Agreement as well as the description of the program, as stated at digitalmediaacademy.org. If any provision of this contract is held to be unenforceable, the remainder of the contract is enforceable.

APPENDIX A: Privacy Policy for Global Innovation Race

Introduction

Welcome to Digital Media Academy ("DMA") and our Global Innovation Race. This Privacy Policy explains how we handle your personal information as you participate in our services and activities related to this event.

Scope

This policy applies exclusively to participants and users involved with the Global Innovation Race, covering all related services, materials, and interactions provided by DMA during the event.

Information We Collect

Personal Data

To facilitate your participation, we may collect the following personal information:

- Contact Information: Name and school-issued email address.
- Demographic Information: Age, gender, and nationality (for diversity purposes).
- Preferences and Interests: Related to event topics and challenges.

Usage Data

We collect data automatically on how you interact with our services, including:

- Web Activity: Pages visited, session durations, and interactions on our site.
- Technical Data: IP address, browser type, and device information.

How We Use Your Data

Your data helps us:

- Administer the Event: Registration, organization, and communication.
- Improve Services: Feedback informs enhancements.
- Communication: Updates and changes regarding the program.

Sharing Your Information

- **Third Parties:** We partner with service providers to manage the event, who are bound to protect your data.
- **Legal Requirements:** We may disclose your data as required by law.

Data Security

We implement security measures to protect your data, though no system is entirely secure. Use strong passwords and secure connections to enhance safety.

Your Rights Under California Privacy Law

As a California resident, you have the right to:

- **Know:** Request information about the categories of personal data we collect and the purposes for which they are used.
- **Delete:** Request the deletion of your personal data.
- **Opt-Out:** Opt out of the sale of your personal information. (Note: We do not sell personal information.)
- **Non-Discrimination:** Receive no discriminatory treatment for exercising your privacy rights.

Contact Us

For any privacy-related questions or to exercise your rights under California law, please contact us at info@digitalmediaacademy.org.