

Global Link Glossary

A

Accepted (OA Status): *Student Services advisor has deemed the participant application is complete and has accepted it*

Active: *Status that indicates volunteers and/or current staff/members are registered*

Activity: *An event in your community or online attended by applicants, volunteers, and staff.*

Admission (Service Stage): *Participant's application has been sent to a partner country for review but has not yet been reviewed by the partner country*

Affiliation Name: *Assigned volunteer role which requires certain responsibilities (e.g. Volunteer, Chair, Sending Interviewer)*

Affiliation Status: *Volunteer, Staff, Member, or Email*

Affiliation Type: *Volunteer's registration status*

Application (Service Stage): *Participant is either working on completing the full application or has been accepted by Student Services but not yet sent to a partner country for review*

Area Team: *Area Teams act on AFS-USA's behalf to promote AFS in their geographic area in accordance with the policies, procedures and standards of AFS-USA*

Available Matrix: *# spots available for regular (RSC owned) applicants - number does not include Faces of America and Scholarship spots*

C

Cargill (Sponsored Program): *Sending scholarship in select areas*

CB (Sponsored Program): *Congress Bundestag: Outbound (sending) scholarship for students offering a full ride to Germany. Only available to students in the Northeast*

Closed: *Participant service case is no longer active (Participant withdrew, was rejected, program ended, etc.)*

Content: *Type of program, indicated by a two digit code (e.g. sc – core student/school, cs – community service)*

Created (OA Status): *Participant has been sent their application but has yet begun working on it*

Cycle: *Term in which the student is departing. NH (Northern Hemisphere) is for Summer/Fall Semester/Year programs and SH (Southern Hemisphere) is for Spring programs*

D

Departure Range: *Estimated departure date range. Date that students will be required to be in the Gateway City and begin the program*

Duration: *Length of participant program*

E

English Name (First and Last): *Global Link is used by most AFS partners in the network. Some partners/countries use different alphabets (e.g. Russia) and therefore enter records in their Native alphabet. When searching service cases/persons in Global Link you can type in either the Native or English Name fields*

Extended program close: *Extended Host Partner Application deadline. Latest date that partner will consider transferred applications*

F

F (Finalist – Placement Status): *The partner country has deemed there are no placement restrictions for the participant and therefore see no problems in placing the participant with a host family*

FF (Priority Finalist – Placement Status): *The partner country has deemed there is at least one minor placement restrictions (i.e. a few allergies, is vegetarian, has history of emotional or learning disorder, etc.) and there could be significant problems in placing the participant in a family*

Flex (Sponsored Program): *Future Leaders Exchange. Inbound (hosted students) Sponsored Program scholarship. Students arrive from countries of the former Soviet Union to promote understanding of these countries*

FOA (Sponsored Program): *Faces of America. Sponsored Programs scholarship only available in select cities*

G

G (Guaranteed – Placement Status): *Student has been guaranteed or Accepted by the host country. The partner country has deemed there are no more placement restrictions for this participant and sees no objections to placing them with a host family*

H

Hosting Partner: *Host country. Also known as partner country*

Hosted Pax (Service Type): *Hosting student*

Host Family (Service Type): *Host families for the USA*

Host family assigned (Selection Stage): *Participant has been assigned and notified of their placement abroad*

I

Inactive: *Volunteer registration has expired*

Incomplete (Placement Status): *The partner country has deemed the participant application is missing information and has decided to hold off on reviewing it until they have further information*

Inbound: *International students on program in the US. Also known as Hosting*

In Progress (Selection Stage): *This is a holding status. Please look at their OA Status to determine the participant's progress. Participants stay in this status until their application is sent abroad to the partner for review (Partner Review)*

Interest: *Status only used by Volunteer Development*

IOC: For country abbreviations (country codes) AFS uses the standard abbreviations defined by the International Olympic Committee (IOC). This will be defaulted to USA

IP: Summer program for applicants

Inquiry (Service Stage): This service stage is not used by AFS-USA. Sending Pre-Apps/Inquiries are processed through Salesforce, which is AFS-USA's lead management system

M

Main Org: Search students and volunteers according to the type of organization they are associated with in AFS: Chapters, Unaffiliated Chapters, Area Teams, Regions, or by AFS Partners

Matrix: Hosting capacity. Amount of total spots available to applicants from AFS-USA. 1 spot per student

N

NH: Northern Hemisphere. Programs departing in the summer/fall (Summer, Fall Semester, Year programs)

Native Name (First and Last): Global Link is used by most AFS partners in the network. Some partners/countries use different alphabets (e.g. Russia) and therefore enter records in their Native alphabet. When searching service cases/persons in Global Link you can type in either the Native or English Name fields

NSLI (Sponsored Program) : National Security Language Initiative. Outbound (sending) Sponsored Programs scholarship. Students on this full ride scholarship do their exchange where they can learn to speak Chinese, Korean, Farsi, Arabic, Turkish, and Russian

O

OA Status: Indicates where the participant's application is during the life cycle fo the service case

Open: Participant service case is open and active

Organizational Name: Main Organization Name: Search either by Persons in Chapters, Unaffiliated Chapters, Area Teams, Regions, or by an AFS Partner

Organizational Type: Type of Main Organization (e.g. Chapter, Unaffiliated Chapter, School)

Original program close: Host Partner Application deadline. Date that the hosting partner will stop considering new applications. In some cases, the hosting partner offers a deadline extension but this is not always possible

Outbound: US students on international programs. Also know as Sending.

Owner: Indicates type of application participant is using. Different applications are used by Sponsored Programs, which receive government funding

P

Participant (Service Type): Sending student

Participation (Service Stage): Participant has begun their AFS program. Student will stay in Participation even after their program has ended and their service status is closed

Partner IOC: For country abbreviations (country codes), AFS uses the standard abbreviations defined by the International Olympic Committee (IOC)

Partner Review (Selection Stage): *Participant's application is being reviewed by the partner country and has yet to be assigned a Placement Status. If a participant is assigned a status Placement Status of FF, F, or Incomplete, the service case will remain in Partner Review until the Placement Status of G (Guaranteed) is assigned*

Partner Guaranteed (Selection Stage): *Participant has been assigned a Selection Status of G (guaranteed by the partner country*

PDO: *Pre-Departure Orientation. A meeting of all departing students (including Sponsored Programs) in the month prior to their departure, lead by a volunteer and/or staff. Every student in the Area Team must attend a PDO.*

Pending Interview (Selection Stage): *Participant has made every effort to schedule their interview, but hasn't had it yet. This status holds a spot on the program while the participant wait for their interview*

Pending Legal Review (Selection Stage): *Participant's application needs to be reviewed by AFS-USA's attorney (usually because only one parent/guardian has signed the participation agreement). This status holds a spot on the program while the Student Services advisor waits to see if supporting documents will suffice in place of the second parent's/guardian's signature*

Pending Matrix (Selection Stage): *Participants application is complete and ready to be reviewed by the partner country; however, it is too early for AFS-USA to have a matrix set for that program/cycle. This status will hold a spot on the program until AFS-USA has their agreed upon matrix*

Pending Medical Review (Selection Stage): *Participant's application needs to be reviewed by AFS-USA's medical consultant. This status holds a spot on the program until the Student Services advisor hears back from the medical consultant*

Pending Partner Review (Selection Stage): *Participant's application is complete and ready to be reviewed by the partner country and a matrix has been set; however, the partner isn't ready to review applications for the program/cycle. This status holds a spot on the program until the partner is ready to review the application*

Person Reference: *Each Person in Global Link has a unique Person Reference Number*

Person Search: *Each applicant, their immediate family members, volunteer, and staff receives a Person Search page. This page contains their contact information, family information, Contact Log, and login information*

Preparation (Service Stage): *Participant's application has been assigned a Placement Status by the partner country*

Preparing (OA Status): *Participant is working on completing their application*

Program Code: *An eight character code that gives information about a participant's exchange. You can specify your search by factors the program code.*

Public deadline: *Application Deadline given to students/parents. This deadline is usually 3-5 days prior to the Original Program Close date in order to allow AFS USA staff time to review the submitted application and work with student to revise it as needed prior to the Host Partner Application deadline*

R

Rejected (OA Status): *No longer used*

Rejected (Placement Status): *The partner country has decided not to accept the participant*

Returned (OA Status): *Student Services advisor has deemed the participant's application to be missing information and has given it back to the student for completion*

Responsible Org: *Organization that is sending the student on the program*

Return Range: *Estimate return date to the Gateway City after program ends*

RSC: *Core program students. Using standard application*

S

Selection Stage: *This stage, in combination with the OA Status and the Selection Status, describes in more detail the progress of a participant's service case*

Selection Status: *Indicates the status that AFS-USA has given the participant*

Service Case: *Each participant is given a service case upon finishing their Pre-App, which holds their application and placement status*

Service Stage: *This stage provides an overview of the progress of a Participant's service case*

Service Status: *Indicates the status of the service case*

Service Type: *Indicates the relationship to AFS*

SH: *Southern Hemisphere. Programs departing in the winter/spring (Spring semester)*

SM: *Semester program for applicants*

Spots Remaining: *Total spots remaining for the partner country ('Available Matrix' minus 'Total Sent Out')*

Start Transferring: *Earliest date that the hosting partner will begin reviewing applications*

T

Temporarily Off Program (Selection Stage): *Participant had to return home for an emergency but will finish their program. This is a status that the Support department uses.*

Total sent out: *Total # of applications that have been transferred to the hosting partner for review or are holding a spot to the partner country (sum of applications in Host family assigned, Partner Guaranteed, Partner review, and Pending statuses)*

TR: *Trimester program for applicants*

Transferred (OA Status): *Participant application has been accepted by AFS-USA, assigned a Selection Status, and transferred to the partner country for review*

U

Unaffiliated Chapter: *Unaffiliated chapters are local AFS chapters that operate as standalone local volunteer units and are not affiliated with an Area Team.*

User ID: *Search by a Person's Global Link User ID*

V

Volunteering (Service Type): *Volunteers for the USA*

VS: *Very Short summer program for applicants*

W

WL (Waitlist – Placement Status): *AFS-USA has filled all of their allotted spots in a certain program; however, the participant chooses to see if another participant withdraws before potentially pursuing another program or withdrawing their application*

Y

Year: *The year a student is departing in*

Yes (Sponsored Program): *Outbound and Inbound (Sending and hosting students) Sponsored Programs scholarship. Promotes awareness and understanding of Islamic cultures*

Your IOC: *For country abbreviations (country codes), AFS uses the standard abbreviations defined by the International Olympic Committee (IOC). Your IOC will be defaulted to "USA"*

YP: *Year program for applicants*