

# Calculating Your Study Abroad Costs

2017-18 Program Cost Estimator • UM Study Abroad Office

EXCHANGE\* Program Partner University: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City & Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Term:  Fall 2017  Spring 2018

EXCHANGE* SEMESTER ESTIMATED COSTS				
Budget Item	Undergrad. or Graduate Resident	Undergrad. or Graduate Non-Resident	Pre-Pharmacy or EE1/EE2 Resident	Pre-Pharmacy or EE1/EE2 Non-Resident
UM Study Abroad Application Fee	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
+ UM Study Abroad Fee	1010.00	1010.00	1010.00	1010.00
+ International Insurance	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
+ UM Study Abroad Tuition	4095.00	11727.00	6435.00	14667.00
= Subtotal of costs billed to your UM Bursar account:	<b>\$5455.00</b>	<b>\$13087.00</b>	<b>\$7795.00</b>	<b>\$16027.00</b>
ADDITIONAL, VARIABLE EXPENSES TO CONSIDER				
+ Estimated Airfare				
+ Estimated Passport/Visa Fees				
+ Estimated Additional Lodging				
+ Estimated Meals				
+ Estimated Books/Class Materials				
+ Estimated Local Transportation				
+ Other/Personal Expenses				
= Subtotal of estimated costs <u>not</u> billed to your UM Bursar account:	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS:</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Notes:</b>				

**\* If your program is an ISEP Exchange, refer to the ISEP Exchange Fees and Deadlines sheet, as ISEP Exchange programs have different costs and require additional fees.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** This budget contains some estimated amounts. Actual costs for some items (i.e. airfare, passport/visa fees, meals, etc.) will change according to location of program and according to each participant's individual needs. For more information on current UM tuition fees, use the UM Bursar's Tuition Estimator: [bursar.olemiss.edu/tuition-fees/tuition-estimator/](https://bursar.olemiss.edu/tuition-fees/tuition-estimator/).

**UM Study Abroad Application Fee:** All students who start an application for a program are assessed a non-refundable \$100.00 UM Study Abroad Application Fee, charged to the participant's UM Bursar account at the end of the month in which the application was started.

**UM Study Abroad Fee:** All participants in an Exchange program are assessed a \$1010.00 UM Study Abroad Fee for each semester they are abroad. This is an administrative fee and will be charged to the participant's UM Bursar account for the academic term in which the abroad program occurs (i.e. Fall or Spring).

**International Insurance:** All participants in a UM Study Abroad program receive international travel medical insurance coverage provided by **Cultural Insurance Services International**. The cost of this insurance for Exchange programs is charged to the participant's UM Bursar account for the academic term in which the program occurs, together with other fees in a combined item, labeled as "Study Abroad Fees."

**UM Study Abroad Tuition:** All participants in an Exchange program are assessed the correct amount of UM tuition based on their academic standing, program of study, number of course hours and residency status. This will be charged to the participant's UM Bursar account for the academic term in which the program occurs.

**AFFILIATE SEMESTER Program:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City & Country:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Term:**  Fall 2017  Spring 2018

<b>AFFILIATE SEMESTER ESTIMATED COSTS</b>				
<b>Budget Item</b>	<b>Undergrad. or Graduate Resident</b>	<b>Undergrad. or Graduate Non-Resident</b>	<b>Pre-Pharmacy or EE1/EE2 Resident</b>	<b>Pre-Pharmacy or EE1/EE2 Non-Resident</b>
<b>UM Study Abroad Application Fee</b>	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
<b>+ UM Study Abroad Fee</b>	1010.00	1010.00	1010.00	1010.00
<b>+ International Insurance</b>	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
<b>+ Provider Program Cost *</b> (set by program provider; includes tuition)				
<b>= Subtotal of costs billed to your UM Bursar account:</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>ADDITIONAL, VARIABLE EXPENSES TO CONSIDER</b>				
+ Estimated Airfare				
+ Estimated Passport/Visa Fees				
+ Estimated Additional Lodging				
+ Estimated Meals				
+ Estimated Books/Class Materials				
+ Estimated Local Transportation				
+ Other/Personal Expenses				
<b>= Subtotal of estimated costs <u>not</u> billed to your UM Bursar account:</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS:</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Notes:</b>				

**PLEASE NOTE:** This budget contains some estimated amounts. The actual cost for some items (i.e. airfare, passport/visa fees, meals, etc.) will change according to location of program and according to each participant's individual needs. For more information on current UM tuition fees, use the UM Bursar's Tuition Estimator: [bursar.olemiss.edu/tuition-fees/tuition-estimator/](http://bursar.olemiss.edu/tuition-fees/tuition-estimator/).

**UM Study Abroad Application Fee:** All students who begin an application for a program are assessed a non-refundable \$100.00 UM Study Abroad Application Fee, charged to the participant's UM Bursar account at the end of the month in which the application was started.

**UM Study Abroad Fee:** All participants in an Affiliate semester program are assessed a \$1010.00 UM Study Abroad Fee for each semester they are abroad. This is an administrative fee and it will be charged to the participant's UM Bursar account for the academic term in which the abroad program occurs (i.e. Fall or Spring).

**International Insurance:** All participants in a UM Study Abroad program receive international travel medical insurance coverage provided by **Cultural Insurance Services International**. The cost of this insurance for semester-long Affiliate programs is charged to the participant's UM Bursar account as a separate item for the academic term in which the program occurs.

**\* Provider Program Cost:** Participants in an Affiliate program must pay the provider's published program cost (or program fee), found on the provider's website and/or in their printed literature. This cost will be charged to the participant's UM Bursar account (less the correct amount of UM tuition for the term abroad, which will be charged as a separate item) for the academic term in which the program occurs. This does not include any additional fees that the provider may charge, including, but not limited to, their application fee and/or deposit.

**NOTE:** Tuition cost for an Affiliate program is included in the published program cost, but it will be listed separately on the participant's UM Bursar account and charged for the academic term in which the abroad program occurs. **A NON-RESIDENT FEE IS NOT CHARGED TO NON-RESIDENT PARTICIPANTS OF AFFILIATE PROGRAMS FOR THE HOURS THEY ARE TAKING IN THE PROGRAM. THIS MAY AFFECT A PARTICIPANT'S ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTAIN SCHOLARSHIPS DURING THEIR TERM ABROAD.**

**AFFILIATE SHORT-TERM Program:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City & Country:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Term:**  Winter '18  Summer '18

AFFILIATE SHORT-TERM ESTIMATED COSTS				
Budget Item	Undergrad. or Graduate Resident	Undergrad. or Graduate Non-Resident	Pre-Pharmacy or EE1/EE2 Resident	Pre-Pharmacy or EE1/EE2 Non-Resident
UM Study Abroad Application Fee	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
+ UM Study Abroad Fee	760.00	760.00	760.00	760.00
+ International Insurance (\$42.00/month)				
+ Provider Program Cost * (set by program provider; includes tuition)				
<b>= Subtotal of costs billed to your UM Bursar account:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
ADDITIONAL, VARIABLE EXPENSES TO CONSIDER				
+ Estimated Airfare				
+ Estimated Passport/Visa Fees				
+ Estimated Additional Lodging				
+ Estimated Meals				
+ Estimated Books/Class Materials				
+ Estimated Local Transportation				
+ Other/Personal Expenses				
<b>= Subtotal of estimated costs not billed to your UM Bursar account:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Notes:</b>				

**PLEASE NOTE:** This budget contains some estimated amounts. The actual cost for some items (i.e. airfare, passport/visa fees, meals, etc.) will change according to location of program and according to each participant's individual needs. For more information on current UM tuition fees, use the UM Bursar's Tuition Estimator: [bursar.olemiss.edu/tuition-fees/tuition-estimator/](https://bursar.olemiss.edu/tuition-fees/tuition-estimator/).

**UM Study Abroad Application Fee:** All students who begin an application for a program are assessed a non-refundable \$100.00 UM Study Abroad Application Fee, charged to the participant's UM Bursar account at the end of the month in which the application was started.

**UM Study Abroad Fee:** All participants in an Affiliate short-term program are assessed a \$760.00 UM Study Abroad Fee. This is an administrative fee and it will be charged to the participant's UM Bursar account for the academic term in which the abroad program occurs (i.e. Winter, May, Summer I, Summer II, Full Summer, or August Intersession).

**International Insurance:** All participants in a UM Study Abroad program receive international travel medical insurance coverage provided by **Cultural Insurance Services International**. The cost of this insurance for short-term Affiliate programs is charged to the participant's UM Bursar account for the academic term in which the program occurs, together with any other fees in a combined item, labeled as "Study Abroad Fees."

**\* Provider Program Cost:** Participants in an Affiliate program must pay the provider's published program cost (or program fee), found on the provider's website and/or in their printed literature. This cost will be charged to the participant's UM Bursar account (less the correct amount of UM tuition for the term abroad, which will be charged as a separate item) for the academic term in which the program occurs. This does not include any additional fees that the provider may charge, including, but not limited to, their application fee and/or deposit.

**NOTE:** Tuition cost for an Affiliate program is usually already included in the published program cost, but it will be listed separately on the participant's UM Bursar account, based on the number of hours in which the participant enrolls during the program. The Study Abroad Tuition will be charged for the academic term in which the abroad program occurs. **A NON-RESIDENT FEE IS NOT CHARGED TO NON-RESIDENT PARTICIPANTS OF AFFILIATE PROGRAMS FOR THE HOURS THEY ARE TAKING IN THAT PROGRAM. THIS MAY AFFECT A PARTICIPANT'S ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTAIN SCHOLARSHIPS DURING THEIR TERM ABROAD.**

FACULTY-DIRECTED Program: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City & Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Term:  Winter '18  Spring Hybrid '18  Summer '18

FACULTY-DIRECTED SHORT-TERM OR SPRING HYBRID ESTIMATED COSTS				
Budget Item	Undergrad. or Graduate Resident	Undergrad. or Graduate Non-Resident	Pre-Pharmacy or EE1/EE2 Resident	Pre-Pharmacy or EE1/EE2 Non-Resident
UM Study Abroad Application Fee	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
+ Published Program Cost * (found on program page; includes UM Study Abroad Fee, International Insurance and tuition)				
= Subtotal of costs billed to your UM Bursar account:	\$	\$	\$	\$
ADDITIONAL, VARIABLE EXPENSES TO CONSIDER				
+ Estimated Airfare				
+ Estimated Passport/Visa Fees				
+ Estimated Additional Lodging				
+ Estimated Meals				
+ Estimated Books/Class Materials				
+ Estimated Local Transportation				
+ Other/Personal Expenses				
= Subtotal of estimated costs not billed to your UM Bursar account:	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS:</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Notes:</b>				

**PLEASE NOTE:** This budget contains some estimated amounts. The actual cost for some items (i.e. airfare, passport/visa fees, meals, etc.) will change according to location of program and according to each participant's individual needs. For more information on current UM tuition fees, use the UM Bursar's Tuition Estimator: [bursar.olemiss.edu/tuition-fees/tuition-estimator/](http://bursar.olemiss.edu/tuition-fees/tuition-estimator/).

**UM Study Abroad Application Fee:** All students who begin an application for a program are assessed a non-refundable \$100.00 UM Study Abroad Application Fee, charged to the participant's UM Bursar account at the end of the month in which the application was started.

\* **Published Program Cost:** Participants in a Faculty-Directed short-term program are charged a Published Program Cost, found on the program's online brochure page. This cost will be charged to the participant's UM Bursar account (less the correct amount of UM tuition for the term abroad, which will be charged as a separate item) for the academic term in which the program occurs.

**NOTE:** Tuition cost for a Faculty-Directed short-term program is already included in the published program cost, but it will be listed separately on the participant's UM Bursar account, based on the participant's academic standing, program of study, and the number of hours in which the participant enrolls during the program. **A NON-RESIDENT FEE IS NOT CHARGED TO NON-RESIDENT PARTICIPANTS OF FACULTY-DIRECTED PROGRAMS FOR THE HOURS THEY ARE TAKING IN THAT PROGRAM AND THIS MAY AFFECT A PARTICIPANT'S ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTAIN SCHOLARSHIPS DURING THEIR TERM ABROAD.**

**UM Study Abroad Fee:** All participants in a Faculty-Directed short-term program are assessed a \$760.00 UM Study Abroad Fee. This administrative fee is already included in the Published Program Cost for Faculty-Directed Programs.

**International Insurance:** All participants in a UM Study Abroad program receive international travel medical insurance coverage provided by **Cultural Insurance Services International**. The cost of this insurance for Faculty-Directed programs is charged to the participant's UM Bursar account for the academic term which the program occurs, together with other fees in a combined item, labeled as "Study Abroad Fees."

## CONSIDERING TRAVEL & PASSPORT/VISA COSTS



### PASSPORT FEES | est. cost: \$135.00 to \$195.00

If you are planning to study abroad, you will need a passport that is valid for at least 6 months after your expected date of return to the U.S. For a new, first-time U.S. Passport, expect to pay \$135.00 (passport renewals are \$110.00). Routine processing time is 6 to 8 weeks. If you have waited too close to your departure date and have to have your passport application rushed, expect to pay at least \$60.00 more for an “expedite fee.” If you are not a U.S. citizen or if you hold dual citizenship, your passport requirements will depend on your country of citizenship. For more info, visit [passports.state.gov](https://passports.state.gov).

### VISA FEES | costs vary; may require travel to an embassy or consulate in another city

Many countries require U.S. citizens to obtain a visa in order to study abroad in that country. The best resource for information on the visa requirements for your specific country of study is that country’s embassy or consulate website.

Each country—possibly different embassies and consulates of the same country—may require different documentation for a student visa application. The most typical requirements include: a completed visa application form, a passport-style photo, proof of funds to support the student while abroad, and a letter from host institution giving proof of enrollment. FBI background checks and health screenings are also common requirements. You may be required to travel to the embassy or consulate to apply for your visa in person. If you are not a U.S. citizen or if you hold dual citizenship, your visa requirements will depend on your country of citizenship.

### AIRFARE | costs vary

**In order to give student participants maximum flexibility in travel planning and to allow them to take advantage of personal travel benefits such as frequent flyer miles, the Ole Miss Study Abroad Office does not coordinate or arrange flights for students.** Due to privacy concerns, our office cannot share the names of other students participating in your program. We recommend that you do thorough research to find airline tickets that work best for your needs and your budget.

**Be sure not to purchase an airline ticket until you have received written confirmation that you have been accepted to the program and that the program will actually be running.** Your program provider or host institution abroad will provide you with the arrival and departure dates for your program. **If you are travelling to a country that requires a visa, it is strongly recommended that you do not purchase your airline ticket until after you have received your visa.**

If you want to use a travel agent to help book your tickets, you have the option of using the Travel Leaders branch in Memphis, the University of Mississippi’s travel agency partner, to make your travel arrangements and purchase tickets. They charge a nominal service fee for booking, but they provide excellent professional service and can bill your ticket costs to your UM Bursar account. You can contact Travel Leaders by at 901-761-1708. Their business hours are Monday through Friday, 7:30am until 5:30pm central time.

We recommend that you carefully explore and compare flight itineraries and prices from multiple travel resources including: discount internet search engines, student travel agencies, and the airlines themselves.

#### Estimated round-trip airfare costs by region:

- Asia: **\$1400**
- Europe: **\$1200**
- Australia/Oceania or South Africa: **\$1900**
- Central America or the Caribbean: **\$800**
- Middle East or North Africa: **\$1300**
- South America: **\$1200**

## CONSIDERING ADDITIONAL LODGING & MEALS COSTS



### ADDITIONAL LODGING | costs vary

Most study abroad programs already include housing in their program costs. However, you will need to be sure that housing is included in your particular program.

Additionally, many students choose to arrive in their country of study before the official start date and/or to stay beyond the program end date. In those cases, you will want to budget for the lodging associated with those extra days and nights. Also, if you plan to take overnight personal/independent trips during your program, you'll want to remember to budget for those costs as well.

Student travelers on a tight budget might want to look into hotel alternatives for extended stays and personal/independent travel. Hotel alternatives are not for everyone and you should do extensive research before booking. Some hotel alternatives to consider include:

- Short-Term Room Rentals (airbnb.com, homestay.com)
- Hostels
- Religious Housing (monasterystays.com)

### MEALS | costs vary

Be sure that you understand the meal arrangement for your particular program. Even if meals are included in your program costs, there are likely to be times when you will want or need to eat out or cook. You should be sure to consider your own personal eating habits, too.

Online research can give you a good idea about average food costs in your particular city of study abroad. Consider how many meals per week you might expect to eat out and budget accordingly. Don't forget to consider weekends, too!

## CONSIDERING BOOKS/CLASS MATERIALS, LOCAL TRANSPORTATION & OTHER/PERSONAL COSTS

### BOOKS/CLASS MATERIALS | costs vary

College text book costs abroad are typically less expensive than they are in the U.S. because professors in other countries tend to make more frequent use of course reading packets, independent reading lists, and/or electronic self-publishing, all of which tend to decrease the costs of purchasing or renting text books.

The best resource for researching potential book and course material costs will be either your program provider or the incoming international student office at your host institution abroad. Don't be afraid to reach out to these contacts with this or other questions about your program and expectations.

### LOCAL TRANSPORTATION | costs vary

Consider how you plan to get around your host city while abroad. Research average costs for local transportation, such as trains, buses, and taxis.

### OTHER/PERSONAL EXPENSES | costs vary

Since each country, region and city around the world is different, you should do lots of research online about the weekly costs that you can expect in your specific location. Also, factor in your own personality and expectations.

Some things to consider: Costs for going out and entertainment, travel to other cities or countries during your program, personal toiletries and other personal needs and options for mobile phone service while abroad.