

# Study Away Budget Information Sheet

## Instructions

Please use the information provided by your institution/program to complete the budget sheet below. Most institutions/programs provide at least estimates for these costs on their website, but you may need to reach out to your institution/program contact for some details. (When programs give a range of costs, please take the average. For example, if a program estimates meals between \$2,000-\$2,500, then you would enter \$2,250 as the expense amount.) Once completed, upload this form along with any supporting documentation to your financial aid portal.

- **Meals:** Check to see which (if any) meals are included in other fees, e.g., housing. Include on this budget sheet the cost of meals that are *not* included in other fees.
- **Required immunizations:** Only include the cost of immunizations that are required as part of immigration and/or program requirements for your program. This does not include optional immunizations. Some immunizations might be covered partially or in full by your health insurance - the cost you include on this budget sheet should be what you pay out of pocket.
- **Visa and/or residency permit fees:** This amount should include the cost of reasonable transportation to/from the consulate if you must apply in person, or the cost of batch/group processing if you are using this option through your program. (Batch processing is an option only with some program providers where they assist with your visa application.)
- **Program application fee:** Include this fee if applicable; not all programs charge an application fee. Students are responsible for paying application fees up front, and financial aid will include the cost of the application fee for the program you are attending (but not all to which you apply).
- **Books:** The costs of course materials are included in the tuition allowance, totaling \$288/semester. If program book costs exceed \$288 the excess amount will be factored into your aid.

Costs/fees that are included in the personal expenses allowance\* included in your aid package:

- Cell phone and international data/calling plans
- Medical costs: co-pays for appointments, medications, and immunizations (unless required for immigration/program requirements, e.g., Yellow Fever vaccine, malaria medication, high altitude medication, etc.)

\*All study away students receiving financial aid will be given an \$1,800/semester personal expense allowance.

Costs/fees not included in your aid package:

- Optional program add-ons (such as Fall Ball with IES Amsterdam, optional program excursions, and personal travel)
- Non-credit coursework
- Gym membership

Costs/fees to **not** include on this form (GEO will pay these fees on your behalf as part of your tuition payment):

Some costs/fees are covered as part of tuition or other academic charges and will be paid on your behalf so they should not be listed on this form. These include:

- School of Record fee
- Tuition fees, including lab, studio, or other course fees

## Documentation & Forms Required

To receive funding to study away, in addition to the standard financial aid application materials (Amherst Renewal Form, FAFSA, PROFILE, tax documentation), students will need to provide the following materials, which can be obtained from program websites and flight search engines:

- Official documentation of program/institution expenses
- Airfare documentation

## Payment Information

If you are due a refund toward your study away costs, your refund will be processed and delivered electronically via Finexio. Students may receive a bill from their program for all non-tuition costs, e.g., housing. Students' refunds plus any family contribution are meant to cover the cost of this bill and any other costs as outlined on the budget sheet.

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Full Name:

Class:

Institution/Program Name:

Institution/Program Financial Contact Person:

Term you'll be away (check one):      Fall      Spring      Academic Year

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## Student Educational Expense Budget

(Costs are per semester. Give amounts in U.S. Dollars - use a [currency converter such as XE](#) if needed)

Amherst College tuition	\$34,910
Amherst health insurance*	Opting-in
*As you selected on your Study Away Checklist	Opting-out
Personal expense allowance	\$1,800
Books/academic supplies (only if in addition to the \$288 allowance)	
Housing	
Meals	
Required immunizations	
Air transportation	
Program health insurance (if required by program)	
Local commuting (e.g., subway pass)	
Visa and/or residency permit fees	
Program application fee	
Other (list below):	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>