



Estimate your expenses

The column on the left lists most of the expenses you can expect during a program abroad. Write your costs in the blanks in the right column and total them up to make an approximate projection of how much you'll need to bring. Because currencies fluctuate, we suggest you add 10-15% to your estimates.

Remember that you may be going out to eat, traveling and shopping much more than you would at home. Only the most frugal will be able to stick to a strict budget. The standard advice is: "Take half the clothes and twice the money that you think you'll need." This may be a slight exaggeration, but when in doubt, plan to spend more than you would here.

Passport	_____
ISIC	_____
Round Trip Airfare	_____
Guide Books	_____
Backpack	_____
Eurail/Britrail Pass (for Europe goers)	_____
Tuition and fees*	_____
Health Insurance*	_____
Housing*	_____
Meals	_____
Personal Maintenance (Laundry, Toiletries, Haircuts, etc.)	_____
Long Distance Phone Calls	_____
Postage/Letters	_____
Incidentals (medical emergencies)	_____
Local transportation	_____
Souvenirs (Gifts for Friends & Host Family)	_____
Entertainment (movies, plays, museums etc.)	_____
Personal Travel	_____
TOTAL	\$ _____

Because some of these expenses are difficult to estimate, you should try to talk with a student at Georgia Tech who is from the country you are going to visit, or with someone who has studied in the country or participated in the your program.

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