

Budget Planning Worksheet

This worksheet is designed to help you compare costs across programs and create a realistic budget. As you do your research, you will notice that programs vary considerably in cost and features included in the program fee. You may wish to make additional copies of this worksheet. Items marked with an asterisk (*) often need to be paid prior to departure and before the release of financial aid or scholarships.

Expense Description	Program A	Program B	Program C
Program Fee			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tuition			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fees			
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing			
<input type="checkbox"/> Meals (how many per week/month?)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Confirmation deposit*			
<input type="checkbox"/> Application fee			
<input type="checkbox"/> Program fee discount available?			
Transportation			
<input type="checkbox"/> International airfare*			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Train, bus, or domestic travel to program site			
Travel Documents & Immunizations			
<input type="checkbox"/> Passport, visa, photos, entry/exit tax, etc.*			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Travel insurance			
<input type="checkbox"/> Immunizations*			
Texts & Materials			
<input type="checkbox"/> Books			
<input type="checkbox"/> Art or other course supplies			
Housing & Meals			
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing costs not included in program fee			
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing deposit or permit*			
<input type="checkbox"/> Meals not included in program fee			
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing and meals during breaks			
Essential Daily Living Expenses			
<input type="checkbox"/> Local transportation (bus pass, subway pass, taxi)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications (phone card, postage)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toiletries and laundry			
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency cash			
Spending Money			
<input type="checkbox"/> Optional excursions, field trips, and independent travel			
<input type="checkbox"/> Souvenirs and gifts			
<input type="checkbox"/> Social activities			
Total Estimated Cost of Attendance			