

Please carefully read this information on fees and expenses you are likely to incur in conjunction with study abroad. It is your responsibility to understand and consider this information before choosing a study abroad program. Early in the application process, discuss this information with your parents or guardians, the Office of Financial Aid, and other parties responsible for paying your tuition and fees. If any of the following costs, including the items not covered by the comprehensive fee will create a hardship for you or prevent you from studying abroad, please contact the Office of Study Abroad and International Programs for advice and assistance.

For Pitzer College students the cost for a semester of study abroad is similar to the cost of a semester on campus in Claremont. The cost for a Pitzer summer program is similar to the cost of tuition for two courses. Pitzer students can apply their financial aid to study abroad programs. Students may also apply for grants and scholarships from outside sources.

Semester Programs

Pitzer College employs a one-price policy for study abroad, which affords all Pitzer students the opportunity to have international and intercultural experiences as part of their Pitzer education. **Study abroad participants are charged Pitzer College tuition, a study abroad program fee, and a \$550 travel contribution. The semester study abroad program fee is equivalent to the cost of a double room, a 16-meal board plan and the activity fee.** These charges cover program tuition, non-refundable program fees, housing, meals, a round-trip airline ticket (see Airline Policy for details), an International Student Identity Card (ISIC), which provides supplemental travel insurance, the visa or resident permit fee (if any) and a transcript. In addition to program related costs, these charges support the cost of promoting and administering study abroad programs as a whole as well as the College's general infrastructure (from information technology to financial aid) that is available to study abroad students before, during and after their time abroad.

Students who usually live off campus, including New Resources students, should be aware of the additional cost for room and board. Students on domestic programs are not charged the travel contribution since airfare is not provided.

Summer Programs

The Pitzer College summer study abroad program fee (equal to the cost of Pitzer tuition for two courses) covers program tuition, non-refundable program fees, housing, meals, a round-trip airline ticket (see Airline Policy for details), an International Student Identity Card (ISIC), which provides supplemental travel insurance, the visa fee (if any) and a transcript.

Additional Expenses

The items below are **NOT COVERED** in the semester comprehensive fees plus travel contribution or the summer study abroad fee and should be considered in your budget planning.

- Passport
- Photos required for applications and visas
- Cost of required immunizations
- Cost of the medical exam required prior to participation
- Comprehensive medical insurance coverage is required. (Fees for additional insurance, if required by the program or the host country, may be covered by Pitzer College. Ask the Office of Study Abroad and International Programs.)
- Additional costs incurred for airfare that costs more than the standard round-trip ticket (see Airfare Policy) or if arriving before or extending after the program dates, changing a ticket, or if participating on a domestic program
- Cost of housing and meals before or after the program or during school breaks (e.g. breaks between terms or semesters, spring break)
- Refundable deposits
- Expenses for items or services that are not typically provided on the program but to which students may be accustomed (e.g. email or internet access, access to computer labs, athletic facilities, etc.)

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Costs (continued)

- Expenses for items or services that are not provided for in fees paid to Pitzer (e.g. personal entertainment, toiletries, independent travel during school breaks, field trips that are not a required part of a course, mobile phone charges, laundry charges, etc.)
- Clothing (e.g. winter jackets, boots, rain gear, formal attire, etc.) needed for climate conditions, cultural reasons or activities at the program site
- Course fees, lab fees and supplies
- Textbooks
- Expenses resulting from a difference in the cost of living. Expenses in your study abroad location may be the same, higher or lower than in Claremont.
- The exchange rate should be considered when planning your budget for international programs.

Financial Aid

Pitzer financial aid is granted only to Pitzer students approved for study abroad by the Study Abroad and International Programs Committee. Since working abroad is not usually possible, students who would have been packaged with federal workstudy may receive an additional grant the semester they are away.

Pitzer students on financial aid participating in a Pitzer summer program worth at least two Pitzer course credits may be eligible for financial aid for the summer program. Financial aid used for a summer program may reduce the aid available for future semesters. Please contact the Office of Financial Aid for clarification.

Billing

Semester and summer students will be billed by Student Accounts at Pitzer. Fall charges can be viewed on CASHNet in mid-July and will appear on the August bill. Spring charges are posted to the student account in mid-December and will appear on the January bill. Summer charges typically post on June 1. Please contact Student Accounts for information on billing schedules and payment options.