

# Comparing Program Costs

## Two Terms Abroad vs. Two Terms at OSU

Studying abroad can be a life-changing experience! Careful budgeting prior to choosing a study abroad program will help you make informed decisions and have a positive experience overseas. The information on this page is designed to help you compare the cost of spending two terms abroad to the cost of studying at OSU for two terms. Many exchange programs are comparable to, *or even less than*, two typical terms at OSU.\*

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During the budgeting process, there are a few important factors to consider:

- Which costs are billed by Oregon State University and which you will pay directly to the host institution
- Currency exchange rates can fluctuate sharply; keep in mind the value of the US dollar to the local currency
- Likely you will need more money during the first month to cover initial, one-time expenses (commuting passes, household items, etc.). Be sure to discuss this with any family members who may be helping you pay for this education abroad experience.

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**\*PLEASE NOTE:** The information included is a *broad estimate*. Comparisons are based on the total anticipated cost of attending the exchange program and the estimated cost of attendance at OSU for an undergraduate resident or non-resident student living on-campus. Program costs are subject to change, and your actual cost of participating in a specific exchange program will depend on a variety of factors. The program coordinator for the ESB exchange program is Rachael Fahrenbach. Contact her at [rachael.fahrenbach@oregonstate.edu](mailto:rachael.fahrenbach@oregonstate.edu) for the most up-to-date cost estimate for the terms you are planning to travel.

## FH Salzburg

	OSU			FHS		
	2 terms (24 OSU credits) estimated for 6months/24 weeks			1 semester (8-11 OSU credits) estimated for 5 months/20 weeks		
	Resident	Non-Res	Ecampus	Resident	Non-Res	Ecampus
Tuition and fees	\$11,010	\$32,820	\$10,500	\$8,808	\$26,256	\$8,400
Room (and Board)	9,240	9,240	\$5,000	2,341	2,341	2,341
Meals	Included above	Included above	\$1,200	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Books and Supplies	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$399	\$399	\$399
Personal	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,400
Transportation	\$384	\$384	N/A	\$22	\$22	\$22
Airfare	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Passport/Visa	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$145	\$145	\$145
Immunizations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
OSU GO fees	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$450	\$450	\$450
Accident & Sickness Insurance	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$294	\$294	\$294
Travel Health Consul	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$25	\$25	\$25
Austrian Student fees	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$27	\$27	\$27

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,534</b>	<b>\$44,344</b>	<b>\$18,100</b>	<b>\$16,411</b>	<b>\$33,859</b>	<b>\$16,003</b>
Source	<i>estimate on OSU website</i>			<i>FHS Incoming Student Guide</i>		

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