

PCC Education Abroad First Steps Videos: Understanding Program Costs



Hi! Thank you for tuning into the First Steps Video series, in this video we will explain the overall costs associated with studying abroad on a PCC program.

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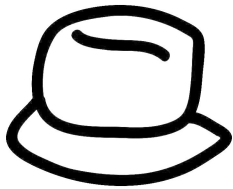


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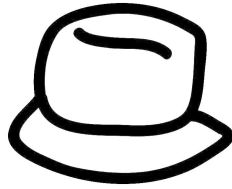


As always, the Education Abroad Team is here to assist you through this process.

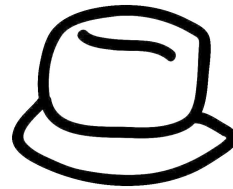
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PCC Tuition + Program Fee + Additional Costs

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As you are applying for this study abroad opportunity, we want you to have a clear understanding of all costs and financial responsibility of participating.

The total cost of studying abroad with PCC is made up of three different buckets: the PCC tuition, the study abroad program fee, plus any additional costs.

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Tuition: the per-credit cost of the PCC course

Program Fee: the cost for services provided during the program

Additional costs: airfare, passport, books & supplies, meals, personal spending money, etc.



Let's break down these buckets. The tuition is based on the per credit fee you typically pay for your courses. The Program Fee covers the costs of running the program in a specific location abroad. You will be billed both the tuition and the program fee through your PCC account. Additional Costs are items that you will pay directly, outside of PCC. Let's talk about these different fees more in depth.

What does the Program Fee cover?



- Housing during the program
- Select meals
- Co-curricular/cultural activities
- Airport pickup/drop-off
- Program transportation and entry fees
- On-site orientation
- International health insurance
- 24/7 emergency support



The Program Fee is the total amount that it costs to run your program. PCC works with vetted Educational Organizations that run study abroad programs around the world. These partners plan closely with each instructor to put together an intentional educational experience unique for each course. The Program Fee includes your housing during the program, select meals, any cultural activities for your course (such as museum tours or guest lecturers), airport pick-up, orientation when you arrive, international health insurance and emergency support 24 hours per day.

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Ready to see an example?

Visit our Programs page to learn more about the estimated program cost.

www.pcc.edu/education-abroad/programs



Each program webpage will have an estimated program cost breakdown, based on the location, the length of the program and the program's itinerary.

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Program Overview Academics Application Process & Timeline **Program Costs & Scholarships**

Program Cost Overview

The Program Cost Sheet offers an overview of the costs associated with the program. The program fee and PCC tuition are presented in three categories: PCC Tuition, Program Fee, and Additional Costs. The program fee and PCC tuition are presented in three categories: PCC Tuition, Program Fee, and Additional Costs. The program fee and PCC tuition are presented in three categories: PCC Tuition, Program Fee, and Additional Costs.

PCC Tuition	Program Fee	Additional Costs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8 credits (in-state residency) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Housing during the program Select meals Co-curricular/cultural activities Airport pickup/drop-off Program transportation and entry fees On-site orientation International health insurance 24/7 emergency support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Round-trip airfare (\$1000 roundtrip) Passport (new \$160 or renewal \$130) Books and supplies (\$50) Meals on your own (\$300) Personal spending money (\$300-400)
Estimated: \$1,100	Estimated: TBD	Estimated: \$1800-2000
Total Cost = PCC Tuition + Program Fee + Additional Costs		

This is an example of what the Program Cost section looks like on our website. These display an estimate of the costs that we have discussed in this video. You can see the three buckets: the PCC tuition, the Program Fee, and the Additional Costs.

Please notice that these are cost estimates to help with your planning purposes. When a program fee is final, we will announce that fee to each program group. Because the fees are created in collaboration with our program provider, and because costs are often changing in real time (for example a meal in a restaurant), we may not have a specific program fee until Spring term. However, the final program fee will remain very close to the estimated amount, and will not go above the estimated fee more than a couple of hundred dollars, and may in fact be lower.

What are Additional Costs?



Dominican Republic, 2017 PCC Study Abroad Program

- Roundtrip Airfare
- Passport
- Visas
- Vaccinations
- Books & Supplies
- Meals on Your Own
- Personal Spending Money



Additional Costs are costs that you will not be billed through PCC. Some of these items will need to be purchased as you are preparing to study abroad. These costs include roundtrip airfare, books or supplies for the course, meals that are not included in the program, and any personal spending money you want to have abroad. If you don't have a passport, you will need to apply for one soon. If you need a visa to enter the country, this may be an additional cost, and our office will guide you through that process. The amount of spending money you should bring will depend on your personal spending habits as well as your destination.

Understanding Financial Obligations

Program Deposit
Deadline



FALL -
WINTER



Course
Registration



MAY
(Summer Term
PCC timeline)



Payment of
Remaining Balance
(PCC Tuition +
Program Fees)



JUNE



Depart for your
Program!



SUMMER



As you are considering this experience, it is important you understand the financial obligations involved. Once you submit an application, the way to secure your spot on the program is to pay a non-refundable deposit of \$500. This deposit will count towards your overall program fee.

At the end of spring term you will pay the tuition and remaining program fees according to PCC summer payment deadlines. You are then ready to pack up and depart for your program!

How Will I Pay For This?!?

Financial resources are available!

Review the
Funding Your Study Abroad Program
video next!



Considering these costs may feel overwhelming, and our office helps students consider various options including scholarships, personal savings, financial aid, or using a PCC payment plan. Please watch the Funding Your Study Abroad Video and take a look at the resources on our website.

Questions? Meet with an Ed Abroad Advisor



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Studying abroad is a multi-step process, and we want to be sure you have a full understanding of the costs as you are applying. The Education Abroad Advisors are available to answer any questions you have about this process. Thank you for watching.