

# Finances & Cost Estimates

Participating in an off-campus program involves additional expenses. WPI is committed to keeping these programs affordable to ensure all students can participate. When budgeting, consider the following expenses:

- **Program Fee:** This fee, posted to your WPI account, may cover onsite housing, international insurance and mandatory cultural programming. It will be posted to your account approximately two weeks before travel and is due immediately.
- **WPI Tuition & Fees:** You will remain enrolled as full-time student at WPI while off-campus and earn WPI credit for your work. WPI tuition and fees will be billed as usual.
- **Worcester Area Housing:** You will continue to pay for your Worcester area housing (on- or off-campus) for the term you are traveling.
- **Airfare:** You are responsible for purchasing your own airfare and other travel expenses to the program site.
- **Entry Requirements:** You may need to obtain a visa or electronic travel authorization to visit your program location. You are responsible for any related fees, unless eProjects specifies that these costs are included in the program fee.
- **Onsite expenses:** These out-of-pocket expenses\* can vary widely depending on your location and personal spending habits. Examples include:
  - **Food:** Daily meals and groceries.
  - **Local Transportation:** Costs for buses, trains, taxis, or bike rentals onsite.
  - **Communication:** International cellphone plan or local phone/SIM card.
  - **Project Expenses:** Costs related to your project work, up to \$150 per student, per WPI policy.

- **Tourist Activities:** Entrance fees for museums or tours, personal travel, and other recreational activities.
- **Incidentals:** Miscellaneous personal expenses such as toiletries, laundry, and other small items.

*\*Out-of-pocket expenses are costs that you pay directly from your own funds, rather than being billed through WPI or included in your program fees.*

To help you plan appropriately for your travel, an estimated budget for each program is posted to eProjects. Program fees are subject to change until posted to student accounts.