

This is the estimated budget for this study abroad program. It serves as an estimated cost of attendance for your semester or year abroad. Students often pay for study abroad through a combination of financial aid, personal funds, scholarships, grants, and alternative loans. The total amount listed as the Total Program Cost is the maximum amount of financial aid that can be awarded to you by GVSU. This total program cost does not reflect the amount of aid you will qualify for, rather, it serves as the cap on what can be awarded.

| Cost Breakdown Universidad de las Americas | | |
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| Costs Billed by GVSU* | | |
| Semester (based on 18 weeks) | | |
| Item | Cost | Cost Description |
| GVSU Tuition: • 12-15 credits | \$6,072 <i>Tuition based on 2016-2017 upper-level in-state tuition rates (12-15 credits). Out-of-state students will pay the out-of-state tuition rate.</i> | Paid to Grand Valley State University Student Accounts by the regular GVSU tuition payment deadline. |
| IS 380 Course Fee | \$300 | Paid to GVSU. The course fee for IS 380 is \$25 per credit. Participants of this program will register for 12 credits of IS 380. |
| Program Fee | \$2,100 | Paid to Grand Valley State University Student Accounts by the regular GV payment deadline. |
| Total estimated fees paid to GVSU: \$8,372 | | |
| ADDITIONAL COSTS: | | |
| Item | Cost | Cost Description |
| Meals | \$1,200 - \$1,350 | On-site personal expenses. This estimate is based on 5000-5600 Mexican Pesos per month for 4 1/2 months (approx. \$265-\$300 USD). |
| Airfare | \$850 | Paid to Airline Provider |
| Health insurance/ISIC | \$28 - \$203 | UDLA requires students to purchase an insurance policy which is estimated at \$175 per semester. Students must also show proof of emergency evacuation insurance coverage. PIC recommends that participants purchase the ISIC card. The Basic ISIC card is \$28 and will meet the PIC health insurance requirement. |
| Visa | \$36 | Student visa is currently \$36. This is subject to change without notice. A student visa is only required for students attending UDLAP for more than one semester (more than 180 days). |

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| Passport | \$135 | Passport fees \$135. Students should apply for a passport book. |
| Housing | Included in program fee | Students will be placed in shared accommodation in student residence halls. |
| Books and supplies | \$150 | On-site Personal Expenses |
| Personal Expenses | \$900 | On-site personal expenses including local transportation, cell phone purchase and basic necessities. Based on \$50 US per week x 18 weeks. |
| Total Additional Costs: | \$3,299 - \$3,624 | |
| TOTAL PROGRAM COST: Costs billed by GVSU + Additional Costs | | |
| \$11,671 - \$11,996** (with on-campus housing, double accommodation) average cost is \$11,833 | | |
| \$14,269 (estimated cost for out-of-state students who do not receive a tuition differential scholarship) | | |

Out-of-state students who receive a GVSU tuition differential scholarship will be able to use that scholarship towards the cost of this program. Exception: international students will not have access to the tuition differential scholarship for use towards the cost of study abroad, however, they may still be eligible for the Partnership Grant.

The Padnos International Center will provide (2) \$500 Partnership Grants for the 2016-17 academic year (excludes summer). If more than two students apply for this program, decisions on awards will be made based on the strength of a student's application and financial need. Students may be eligible for more than \$500, but two applicants will receive a minimum of \$500 in grant support. Decisions on awards will be made following the deadline for applications. Conditions apply.

Housing: Students can elect single accommodations for an additional fee which is paid directly to UDLA. Shared accommodations is included in the program fee.

*Based on 2016-2017 in-state, upper-division tuition rates for 12-15 credits. If you complete more than 15 GVSU credits during your semester abroad, tuition charges for the additional credits above 15 will be billed to your GVSU student account after you return and PIC completes the transfer of credit.

**The cost of any study abroad program depends to a large extent on the participant's personal spending habits and lifestyle. Personal travel, entertainment, gifts, souvenirs, and other types of personal spending are costs not reflected in the above estimates.

Semester Cost Comparison (Based on in-state tuition rates)

While many study abroad programs are similar in cost to a semester here at GVSU, other are considerably more expensive. The following will provide a comparison between average semester costs at UDLA and Grand Valley State University:

| | UDLA | GVSU | Estimated Cost Difference per semester |
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| | \$11,833 | \$11,625 | \$208 |
| W/ grant | \$11,333 | \$11,625 | (\$292) |

*Red means less than GVSU

