

# **Budget and Payment Schedule**

2024-2025 Exchange Programs

\*\*This budget assumes that the current global situation will improve enough to run this program safely as it was originally designed. All program details, including cost, will be updated if global or location-specific conditions require modifications to program structure (for example, limitations on in-country travel or the requirement of single-occupancy accommodation). GEO continues to closely monitor the conditions for each program to ensure that they meet the safety and travel requirements of the University of Oregon, the host country, and the local institutions with which we work.

# **HOW TO USE THIS BUDGET**

Exchange programs have a **fixed program fee** that is calculated **based on your Oregon residency status** and the number of semesters that you spend abroad. To determine the program fee for the exchange you are interested in, look for the GEO fees associated with the term of your program (Fall Semester, Fall/Winter Semester, Spring Semester, Spring Quarter, Academic Year, Calendar Year, or Japanese Academic Year). **Please note that the terms available for each exchange vary based on the university's academic calendar.** Add the fixed program fees from this budget to the estimated additional costs budget for your exchange to determine your estimated total cost of attendance.

ONE SEMESTER EXCHANGE PROGRAM FEES	OREGON	
(INCLUDES FALL SEMESTER, SPRING SEMESTER,	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
FALL/WINTER SEMESTER, SPRING QUARTER)	<b>AMOUNT</b>	AMOUNT
UO Exchange Program Fee	\$4,885	\$11,550
Study Abroad Fee (\$500 per semester)	\$500	\$500
TOTAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM FEES PAID TO GEO	\$5,385	\$12,050

TWO SEMESTER EXCHANGE PROGRAM FEES	OREGON	
(INCLUDES ACADEMIC YEAR, CALENDAR YEAR &	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
JAPANESE ACADEMIC YEAR)	<b>AMOUNT</b>	AMOUNT
UO Exchange Program Fee	\$9,770	\$23,100
Study Abroad Fee (\$500 per UO term)	\$1,000	\$1,000
TOTAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM FEES PAID TO GEO	\$10,770	\$24,100

#### **CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY INFORMATION:**

*Important:* The GEO Cancellation and Deferral Policy is effective from the time a student agrees to pay their non-refundable program deposit or electronically signs the program commitment form, regardless of application or acceptance status. It is essential to read this policy before a potential cancellation or deferral takes place, to fully understand the withdrawal and cancellation penalties, and understand what it means financially to commit to a study abroad program.

### **Cancellation/Deferral Penalty Dates:**

CANCELLATION/ DEFERRAL DATE	PENALTY IF NOTICE IS RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE
Upon acceptance to the program	Student agrees to \$500 non-refundable program deposit
8 weeks before program start date	Student is responsible for 50% of total GEO program fees
Program start date or after program begins	Student is responsible for 100% of total GEO program fees

Cancellation/Deferral Process: Students who cancel or defer their participation must notify both GEO and the program provider or the host institution in writing. Fax (GEO: 541-346-1232) or email is acceptable (GEO: geoinfo@uoregon.edu). Verbal notification to GEO or notification given to a non-UO campus study abroad office is not sufficient.

- If a student has committed to participate in a full academic year exchange program, this policy will apply for the full academic year fees.
- If one of the deadlines in the Student Budget posted on the program page of the GEO website falls on a weekend or holiday, GEO will accept written notifications received on the following business day.
- A student can defer their application for up to twelve months from the term in which their original program was scheduled to start, and upon approval by the GEO advisor. Beyond twelve months, a student must cancel their application and re-apply. In some cases, a student may be able to apply their non-refundable deposit to a future GEO program upon GEO approval.

# Cancellation/Deferral Policy and Penalty:

- This cancellation and deferral policy applies to all cancellations and deferrals regardless of the reason for cancellation or deferral, including but not limited to inability to secure proper legal status (i.e. passport, visa, etc.) in the host country of the participating program.
- If the program fee has not been received by GEO at the time of cancellation or deferral, the penalty amount will be billed by GEO.

- GEO fees include: the GEO program fee, the UO Study Abroad fee (UO students only), and/or any other fees that are billed by GEO.
- GEO and the program provider or the host institution reserve the right to cancel a program due to low enrollment, natural disaster, public health emergency, political unrest, terrorism, acts of war or any other reasons beyond GEO's control. If a program is cancelled prior to the start date for any of these reasons, GEO will refund all payments received by GEO including the application fee, program deposit, and program fee. GEO assumes no further financial responsibility and is not responsible for airfare, visa fees, or any other fees related to the program that may have been paid. GEO strongly recommends that students purchase travel cancellation/interruption insurance.

#### **PAYMENT SCHEDULE** (What is due when?)

UO students: GEO will charge all program fees to your UO Student Billing Account.

### **Billing and Payment Schedule for UO Students**

	A non-refundable program deposit of \$500 is due within one week of acceptance or nomination offer to confirm your space on the program. The program deposit is not an additional fee but is part of the total GEO program fee.  Once a student has authorized GEO to charge the deposit to their UO student account,
When you are offered acceptance	or has submitted the deposit directly to GEO, the program deposit is non-refundable except in cases where a student is denied acceptance to the program for which he or she has applied. If the required application materials are not completed by the deadline, the application will be considered abandoned and cancelled by GEO. In such cases, the deposit will not be refunded. Students who fail to pay the program deposit by the first cancellation/deferral date listed below will have their program application canceled.
4 – 7 weeks before you depart	GEO will bill your UO Student Billing Account for the remainder of your program fee. This amount will be due according to standard UO Payment and Due Dates. For programs that take place over multiple terms, GEO will bill you a percentage of your fee over each term. For more information about UO Payment and Due Dates, see this link: https://ba.uoregon.edu/content/payments

Note: You will pay your housing costs according to the payment schedule of the host university or housing company. These costs may be due up to several months before the start of your program.

We encourage you to visit the GEO scholarships website to learn about scholarship and funding opportunities. Speak with a financial aid counselor regarding your current financial aid package. https://geo.uoregon.edu/scholarships