

France - ESSCA, Paris
Estimated Budget
Fall 2026

Fees billed to Student's ISU Account by Study Abroad Office

Billed July 1, balance due in full August 1 ¹	Euros	U.S. Dollars
Study Abroad Instructional Cost: ESSCA Tuition (waived for exchange students)		\$ -
Exchange Program Fee		\$ 310.00
Study Abroad Non-Refundable Application Fee (billed upon acceptance)		\$ 300.00
Mandatory International Travel Insurance		\$ 178.50
Total Study Abroad billable costs:		\$ 788.50

Estimated Independent Costs - NOT billed to student account

Round-Trip Airfare from O'Hare International Airport		\$ 1,000.00
Passport (if you do not already have one)		\$ 165.00
ISU Official Transcript (required by host institution)		\$ 10.00
Student Visa Application Process:		\$ -
Campus France Visa Processing Fee (\$460 for expedited 3-day processing, if necessary)		\$ 270.00
Student Visa	€ 50.00	\$ 59.07
TLScontact/Visa Appointment Fee	€ 220.00	\$ 259.92
Housing Costs:		
Approximately €1200/month based on average provided on ESSCA's housing site	€ 4,800.00	\$ 5,670.91
Housing deposit (one month's rent)	€ 1,200.00	\$ 1,417.73
Housing insurance (aprox. 10€/month)	€ 40.00	\$ 47.26
On-Site Transportation (Navigo Monthly Ticket 90.80€/month)	€ 363.20	\$ 429.10
Books		\$ 200.00
Meals		\$ 1,500.00
Personal Expenses (does not include travel)		\$ 1,000.00
Total Estimated Independent costs:		\$ 12,028.99

Tuition billed by ISU Student Accounts²

ISU Undergraduate Tuition (2 hours based on 2025-2026 catalog year)		\$ 804.38
Total ISU Tuition:		\$ 804.38

Total Estimated Cost of Program: \$ 13,621.87

Exchange rate: 1 Euro (€) = \$ 1.1814 as of 2/5/26

Please note that this itemized budget sheet is a per term estimate accurate at the time of publication and is subject to change. The "Estimated Independent Costs Paid Directly by the Student" section is based on estimates and it addresses basic necessities and light to moderate personal expenses. Costs can fluctuate based on changes in currency exchange rates, tuition and fees increases, varying personal lifestyles, etc.

¹ **Financial Aid:** Financial Aid may be applied to the costs of studying abroad. Please contact your Financial Aid Advisor to discuss student's individual eligibility towards the cost of your study abroad program fees payment. <http://financialaid.illinoisstate.edu/>

**Any study abroad cost that is not covered by the financial aid package will be the responsibility of the student participating in the program.*

² **ISU Tuition:** All students participating in an OIE-sponsored Study Abroad Program are billed for two credit hours of tuition based on the catalog year they first enrolled at ISU. For more information on your tuition rate please visit: <https://studentaccounts.illinoisstate.edu/billing/undergraduate-tuition/>

OIE Study Abroad Withdrawal Policy: Please visit: <https://studyabroad.illinoisstate.edu/cost/withdrawal/>

Fall 2026 Program Dates:

September - December: Official Dates to be released