



THE STUDY ABROAD FOUNDATION
AN INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY NETWORK

**United Kingdom 2009-2010 SAF Program Fees
for Applicants from Mainland China
Currency: British Pound**

UNITED KINGDOM	Academic Year	Fall Semester Academic	Spring Semester Academic	Full Year ESL	Fall Semester ESL	Spring Semester ESL	Fall ESL + Spring Academic
Middlesex University	14,475	8,360	8,405	n/a	6,550	n/a	12,620
Oxford University-St Anne's College	23,330	n/a	16,330	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Queen Mary University	14,595	8,030	8,855	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
University Arts London ¹	18,720	7,680	12,925	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
University of Bristol (private) ²	15,385	8,695	9,045	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
University of Bristol (public) ²	12,830	7,390	7,790	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
University of East Anglia	15,190	8,470	9,215	12,755	7,015	11,535	13,735
University of Edinburgh	15,375	8,710	9,360	12,880	6,160	n/a	13,185
University of Glasgow	13,485	7,625	8,065	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
University of Kent	14,925	7,290	9,945	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
University of Westminster	15,310	8,560	9,295	10,790	5,750	7,550	12,710

**Ireland 2000-2010 SAF Program Fees
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Currency: Euro**

IRELAND	Academic Year	Fall Semester Academic	Spring Semester Academic	Full Year ESL	Fall Semester ESL	Spring Semester ESL	Fall ESL + Spring Academic
University College Dublin	23,345	13,095	13,095	17,785	8,515	12,555	17,555
University of Limerick	18,230	10,585	10,585	15,680	7,875	10,830	15,515

The comprehensive SAF Program Fee includes the following:

Student Services:

- Personalized study abroad advising from an SAF counselor
- Submission of application materials and follow-up to secure an admission decision
- Personalized advice and necessary support and documentation to make application for a student visa
- Guaranteed, pre-arranged accommodation (in a standard double room while classes are in session), typically on campus in university residence halls or university-managed apartments.
- Arrival transportation and host university move-in coordination
- Academic records maintenance and transfer credit coordination
- Grade and credit query assistance
- Local trouble-shooting assistance (i.e. with registration, housing issues, etc.)
- Emergency assistance through SAF office in Indianapolis
- Participation in the SAF alumni network, upon return to home

Host University Payments:

- Admission Application Fee

- Visiting Student Tuition (based upon enrollment in humanities and social sciences disciplines or intensive English language program – occasionally fees to study in architecture, business or engineering, etc. are higher and students are also responsible for any additional course related fees such as laboratory or studio fees)
- Mandatory University Fees (such as transportation fee, technology fee, international orientation and/or international services fees, etc.; university-sponsored medical insurance costs are only included in the SAF Program Fee if such coverage is mandatory and cannot be waived)
- Housing Application Fee & Housing Deposit (housing deposits, where required, are included in the SAF Program Fee and will be refunded at the end of the program when the student vacates their residence in good condition. Depending upon the SAF host university, the housing deposit may be refunded directly to student, while other host universities will refund directly to SAF. If the housing deposit refund is sent to SAF, SAF will refund the deposit monies to the student).
- Housing Costs (beginning with the host university housing contract start date and provided only while classes are in session), in a standard double room (university meal plans costs are not included although students may be required to purchase a meal plan by their host university)
- Transcript Issuance Fee (if necessary)

The comprehensive SAF Program Fee does not include the following:

- The costs of meals (unless otherwise stated)
- Laboratory or other course-related fees
- College or Department surcharges (some in-demand departments such as Business, Engineering and Architecture charge students a supplementary fee for enrolling in the College and/or Department. These fees are not included in the SAF Program Fee.)
- Single or premium room allocation (While SAF tries to meet each student's housing preference, we have little control on the type of housing students are allocated. Students who are placed in single or premium housing situation will be required to pay the difference between the standard double room housing cost and their single/premium placement.)
- Round trip airfare
- 24/7 emergency assistance through ACE/AIG/AIU Travel Insurance. SAF participants are required to purchase ACE/AIG/AIU insurance but the cost of this insurance is not included in the SAF Program Fee. Payment of this very reasonable insurance fee is coordinated by your local SAF Country Office.
- Early arrival accommodation (SAF will provide you with a recommended arrival date but unfortunately the recommended arrival date will not always directly coincide with the host university's housing contract start date. The SAF Program Fee includes the cost of accommodation beginning with the housing contract start date and while SAF will reserve housing for you prior to the housing contract start date, if possible, this is considered early arrival housing and the student is responsible for any additional housing costs.
- Accommodation during vacation periods
- Immunizations and Inoculations: Many SAF host universities require international students to demonstrate that they have received certain immunizations/inoculations for certain illness. Students who have not met their host universities minimum requirements may need to be immunized upon arrival at their own expense.
- SAF Program Fee does not cover student's personal living expenses and accrued fees/fines including: library fines, lost keys, health center usage fees, printing costs, etc.

In providing its services SAF operates Country Offices (Seoul, Shanghai, Taichung & Tokyo), SAF Headquarters (Indianapolis), and the SAF Asia Pacific Academic Liaison Office (Tokyo). These offices have the usual operating expenses incurred by non-profit organizations such as staffing, facility costs, communications costs, website, publications, professional fees, staff training, travel, student activities costs, etc. as well as services provided to member universities such as professional development opportunities, university visit programs, etc.

Tuition

The SAF Program Fees are based on students undertaking a full course load of classes each semester. What constitutes a full course load varies by host university, but typically the SAF Program Fees include the opportunity to enroll in 60 credit points per semester. All universities within the European Union (EU) are working to establish the ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System) which will make uniform full course loads across the EU. This process is not yet finalized so in the meantime the SAF will provide each student with exact details of what constitutes a full course load at their chosen host university at the time of admission.

In addition, some SAF host universities charge additional tuition fees for students enrolled in disciplines such as science, engineering, or other specialty areas involving laboratory, studio or field work or heavily in demand disciplines such as business. SAF will invoice students for these additional fees upon receiving final notification of the student's enrollment (i.e. after the student has already arrived on their host university campus and completed their course registration). In many cases, these discipline-related fees can be quite significant (i.e. exceeding \$500 per semester).

Additional Supplemental Fees

Once a student has arrived on campus, registered for courses and has a housing/meal plan confirmed, the student will be billed by SAF for any supplementary fees not included in the original SAF Program Fee. These fees can include meal plan costs, university health insurance, early arrival housing, additional housing charges (for single or deluxe accommodation) and tuition differential fees.

English Language Only Programs

Some students will join SAF programs designed solely to improve English language proficiency. These programs typically follow the standard university academic calendar (full semester or full year). Some students will want to take further English language instruction outside the standard university calendar and SAF will create a customized Program Fee invoice for such students.

Bridge Programs

To support students in their efforts to become proficient in English before entering academic programs, many SAF programs include a pre-sessional ESL program. These programs allow students to undertake an English language program during the fall semester prior to university enrollment in the spring semester 2009. Students interested in attending an intensive English language programs outside of the normal university academic calendar should contact their local SAF office for additional program entry dates.

Housing

The cost of housing is included in the SAF program fee and is based on the average cost of local, student, self-catering accommodation, usually a shared room in a residence hall or university apartment without any extra features. Housing at many English language programs are offered through homestays where students live with a local family and commute to the campus for classes. Most homestays include at least some meals. A few SAF host universities are unable to provide accommodation (residence halls or homestays) and for these programs SAF will house students in local, fully furnished student apartments.

If a student is assigned a single room or a full-service residence hall/homestay, which may include a mandatory meal plan, there will be a supplemental charge. *Please note: universities in the U.K. and Ireland typically offer single room accommodation options only.* The SAF program fee includes the cost of housing when classes are in session as defined by their host university housing contract start date. At the discretion of the host university/homestay placement, students may be able to remain in housing over vacation periods at an additional charge.

Early Arrival Housing

Many SAF host universities require students to arrive before their residence halls formally open. Typically the universities will provide accommodation for students who arrive before the official housing opening date of residence halls (i.e. housing contract start date), but it is often in a temporary room and students should expect to move to a permanent hall of residence a few days later. The cost of this early arrival housing varies greatly and this expense is not included in the SAF Program Fee.

Housing Deposit

Many SAF host universities require students to pay a housing security deposit. Payment of this fee is included in the SAF program fee, and the balance will be refunded directly to the student by the host university after completion of the program, less any damages, fines, or outstanding debts in the student's name. Occasionally the host university refunds student's housing deposits directly to SAF and if received SAF will assume responsibility for refunding the student.

Arrival Transportation

The SAF program fee includes the cost of transportation from the SAF designated arrival airport closest to the host university at the start of the program. Typically students will be pre-booked on an airport shuttle service.

Medical Insurance

Some SAF host universities require international students to purchase a university-managed medical insurance policy and the SAF Program Fee includes the cost of insurance ONLY when the purchase of the university-run insurance policy is mandatory. Students who are not required to purchase a university-managed program will have to show proof of adequate alternative insurance to their SAF Country Office prior to departure.

Students studying in the UK for longer than 6 months automatically have access to the UK's National Health Service (NHS). However, NHS insurance typically excludes coverage for mental illness and/or pre-existing conditions, and of course NHS will not cover injuries or illnesses during travel in other countries. For this reason, SAF requires all participants to provide proof of supplementary insurance coverage.

Personal Cost Estimates

Although students' cost of living will vary depending upon the host city and students' personal spending habits, SAF has established the following financial estimates that are based upon students living a comfortable but modest student lifestyle:

Cost of Living Estimates per Semester:

	<u>Meals</u>	<u>Books/Supplies</u>	<u>Personal Expenses</u>	<u>Round Trip Airfare</u>	<u>Medical Insurance</u>
United Kingdom (in GBP)	£950	£250	£500	£800 (one-time round trip)	£150-£600

Ireland (in Euro)

€1,200 €325

€600

€950 (one-time round trip)

€150-£600

Program Fee Notations

¹ University of the Arts London operates on a three term academic calendar with one term during the fall semester and two terms during the spring semester.

² The University of Bristol's fall semester examination period is in middle to late January and students must be present for this examination period to successfully complete the fall semester program.

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