FIRST YEAR ABROAD FEE LIABILITY (INCLUDING WITHDRAWAL & REFUND POLICY)

Application Fee
The $100 application fee is nonrefundable.

Confirmation Deposit
The confirmation deposit is refundable until the close of business on the deposit's due date. If an applicant has been granted a deferred payment plan for the deposit and has not withdrawn from the program as of the close of business on the deposit due date, the applicant becomes fully liable for the confirmation deposit.

Please Note: The initial $2,500 confirmation deposit (for the first term of the program) must be paid rather than deferred. Students may defer the balance of their program fee, but neither the $100 application fee nor the initial $2,500 confirmation deposit can be deferred.

Program Fee
Program applicants who have demonstrated their intent to participate in the program by payment or by deferral of the confirmation deposit and who have not withdrawn from the program as of the 1st payment due date become fully liable for the program fee as of the close of business on the 1st payment due date.

Program applicants who have demonstrated their intent of continued participation in the program by payment or deferral of the confirmation deposit and participation in the first semester of the program, and who have not provided written notice of their intent to withdraw from the program at least sixty days in advance of the beginning of any subsequent semester remain fully liable for all remaining program fees.

Tuition Policy for Out-of-state students
Upon completion of a minimum of 36 FSU credit hours at their European or Panama IP study center with an FSU GPA of 3.0 or better, and having met all financial obligations related to participation in the First Year Abroad program, out-of-state students will be assessed in-state tuition rates for the remainder of their first undergraduate degree at FSU in Tallahassee. This arrangement is contingent upon the student remaining in good academic and judicial standing throughout their FSU career. Students must attend consecutive semesters without interruption (summer terms excluded), progressing toward their degree completion, and staying "on map".

Refunds of Program Fees
Refunds of program fees WILL BE granted in instances of withdrawal prior to the start of the program under the following circumstances:

1. Cancellation of program by International Programs
2. Involuntary call to active duty
3. Death of the student or death in the immediate family (parent, legal guardian, spouse, child, or sibling)

Refunds of program fees will not be granted where a student becomes ineligible to participate in a program for failure to meet or maintain admission requirements.

Partial Refunds of Program Fees
Partial refunds of program fees MAY BE granted in instances of withdrawal prior to the start of the program under the following circumstances:

1. Illness of the student of such duration or severity that it precludes overseas travel. The student will be required to submit all relevant medical records for review and evaluation by Florida State’s University Health Services. University Health Services will advise International Programs’
refund committee of its recommendation. International Programs’ refund committee will notify the student of the decision.

2. Exceptional circumstances that could not have been foreseen and were beyond the control of the student, as approved by the International Programs’ refund committee.
   - Timely notification in relation to the event that caused the need for withdrawal will be considered in evaluating refund requests. In no instance will a request be considered if it is made after the end of the semester for which the refund is requested.
   - Refunds cannot be granted, under any circumstances, in instances of withdrawal after a program has begun.
   - Applicants who apply and are accepted after the published due dates remain liable for fees in accordance with the published due dates.

3. Rescission of admission by the Florida State University Office of Admission for failure to meet the conditions of one’s admission. Students whose admission offer to Florida State University is rescinded after the confirmation deposit is paid or deferred (in accordance with the due date) remain fee liable for the confirmation deposit.

Submitting Withdrawals, Requests for Refunds, and Release from Fee Liability

All withdrawals, requests for refunds, and requests for release from fee liability must be submitted in writing via email to International Programs. Applicants should include their last name and program code in the subject line of the email.

Alternatively, requests can be submitted in writing to International Programs at the following postal address:

   Attention: Refund Committee
   Office of FSU International Programs
   A5500 University Center
   282 Champions Way
   P.O. Box 3062420
   Tallahassee, FL 32306-2420