

Germany Student Budget Planner

Typical monthly costs for international students in 2026/27 — plus a blank planner to fill in your own numbers.

Typical monthly costs

Monthly item	Typical range	Your plan	Actual
Rent incl. utilities (shared flat / dorm)	€380–650 (Munich: €700+)		
Statutory health insurance (under 30)	€140–150		
Groceries & household	€200–280		
Public transport (Deutschlandticket)	€63 (often included in semester fee)		
Phone & internet	€15–30		
Study materials	€20–40		
Broadcasting fee (per household, split it!)	€18.36		
Leisure, sports, going out	€80–150		
TOTAL	≈ €950–1,250		

Benchmark: the official blocked-account rate assumes €992/month. Students in the EUROSTUDENT survey report average spending of about €1,340/month across Europe — budget honestly for YOUR city.

One-time and semester costs

One-time / semester cost	Typical amount	Your plan
Semester fee (per semester)	€100–400	
Tuition — public universities	€0 (exception: Baden-Württemberg, €1,500/semester for non-EU)	
Rental deposit (Kaution)	2–3 months' basic rent	
uni-assist application fees	€75 + €30 per extra program	
APS certificate (China/India/Vietnam)	≈ €150–250 depending on country	
Student visa fee	€75	
Residence permit (in Germany)	≈ €100	
Flight & arrival buffer	varies	

Your monthly planner (print as often as you like)

Month: _____	Planned	Actual	Month: _____	Planned	Actual
Rent			Rent		
Insurance			Insurance		

Groceries			Groceries		
Transport			Transport		
Phone			Phone		
Study			Study		
Leisure			Leisure		
Other			Other		
TOTAL			TOTAL		