



ACCOMMODATION

Rentals

The cost of accommodation varies according to the neighborhood, the state of the apartment, the number of bedrooms, etc.

Here is an estimation of the rent prices:

- Single bedroom in a shared apartment: between 400 and 600€/month
- Single bedroom studio: approx. 800€/month
- 2 bedroom flat in a high-end neighborhood: 1.200€/month
- 2 bedroom flat in a regular neighborhood: 1.000€/month

Utilities are rarely included in the rent cost. They can be typically around €100 per month for a two-bedroom apartment, but this varies widely depending on the type of heating in the building and will likely be more expensive in the winter.

We would strongly recommend to see the apartment in person before paying anything unless you are going through an official real estate agency or through a person you already know and trust.

Agents who are accustomed to working with foreigners will typically speak English. Their fees are normally between €250 and one month's rent.

Note that the landlord legally cannot ask for more than one month's rent (fianza), but there are many cases in which they do. It is also possible that they will want to establish your financial stability and ask for a bank guarantee (from you or your parents/tutors) before agreeing to rent to you.

You can expect to sign a rental contract (contrato de arrendamiento) for a fixed period (a minimum of six months but more commonly a year), which will then automatically renew for a new term unless you provide notice.

For more advice on how to rent a flat in Barcelona and your rights as a tenant, visit the City Council's [website](#).

Hotels

- Youth hostel: approx. 24€/night
- Two stars hotel: approx. 60 - 80€/night
- Four stars hotel night: 90 - 120€/night

TRANSPORTATION

Metro

- Single ticket: 2,20€
- T-10 (ten journeys): 10,20€
- T-50/30 (fifty journeys - limited to thirty days): 43,50€
- T-mes (unlimited journeys to use in a month): 54€
- T-trimestre (unlimited journeys to use in 90 days): 145,30€
- T-jove (unlimited journeys to use in 90 days for people under 25y/o): 105€

For more information on metro lines and routes, visit: www.tmb.cat/en/

Bicing

Bicing is the bicycle sharing system of the city. A simple, practical and sustainable service that you can use in your trips around the city to go anywhere and whenever you want, without pollution or noise.

Cost of the Bicing card: 50€ per year.

The card is purchased on the Bicing website (www.bicing.barcelona) and sent to your house. There are Bicing stations all over the city.

With the card, you can access a bike and from this point you have 30 minutes to get to another station to deposit it before being charged for its use. (Note: you need a Spanish bank credit or debit card to make the purchase).

Taxi

Taxis in Barcelona are quite more expensive than the public transportation but they can come in really handy in some situations. There are a lot of private companies that offer taxi services but it is very easy to catch one just by waiting on the sidewalk (green light means they are free). You can recognize them from their yellow and black colour. To order a taxi, you can download the Free Now App: <https://freenow.com/ie/>

Barcelona Taxi Rate per kilometre:

- Rate (08:00 - 20:00): 1,17€
- Rate (20:00 - 08:00): 1,40€

FOOD

Barcelona has food options for just about any budget but, as always, you'll want to avoid the tourist areas as they're filled with overpriced and low-quality restaurants. The cost of grocery shopping really depends on your nutritional habits, but to have a reference, an average person spends between 30-40€ per week to "fill up the fridge" with the basics.

Concerning restaurants, here's a list of the approximate cost of different eating out options:

- Breakfast (small sandwich + coffee): 3,50€
- Two-course lunch menu: 10 - 20€
- Soft drink in a bar: 1,50€ Beer in a bar: from 1,80€
- Espresso: 1,20€
- Budget dinner (tapas): approx. 20€/person
- Fancy dinner: 30 to 60€/person
- Cocktail drink: 8 - 10€
- A fast-food meal (kebab, burger): 3 - 7€

FINE ARTS MATERIALS

Depending on the program, the materials used in the Academy may vary but this is a list of the cost of the most common items purchased by our students during their first year:

- Pencils B2, B, HB, H and H2: approx. 1,60€ each
- Eraser: approx. 2,50€
- Canson or Fabriano paper: around 7€ for a 100-pages block
- Charcoal: B, HB, H Nitram Charcoal: 7€ each box of 5 units
- Arches Paper (56x76 300g/m from 4,50 to 7€) or Roma paper (9€)
- Oil paint (the price varies a lot depending on the brand and the pigment, but to have a reference, a tube of a mid quality brand 60ml oil tube costs approximately 6€ in the case of the cheap pigments and can reach up to 25€ the expensive ones)
- Brushes: the cheap range can cost around 2 or 3€ each brush
- Linseed oil or Medium : 22€ per liter
- Palette: from 4€
- Palette knife: from 3€
- Cutter knife to sharpen: approx. 2€
- Sandpaper: approx. 1€