

FAQs: Group Flight 2020

Group Flight details are as follows:

- ❖ The group flight costs \$1,864.33. Please note that this price is tentative and subject to change. We will confirm the group flight price after March 1st and will post the charge on your account accordingly.
 - ❖ The group flight includes airfare from Atlanta to your group's first European city on Tuesday, May 25th (arriving May 26th) and from London back to Atlanta on Sunday, August 8th.
 - ❖ The group flight begins and ends in Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport in Atlanta, GA (ATL). Therefore, students participating on the group flight are responsible for meeting the rest of the group at the gate from which the flight will depart from ATL on May 25th.
 - ❖ If you wish to stay abroad after the program has concluded, this might be possible by extending your departure date from London, England. The return date is the only variable you may possibly change. It is not possible to change your departure or arrival destination for any portion of the group flight. If you are interested in changing your return date, please contact the Program Manager at andrea.henriquez@oie.gatech.edu. Please note there will be an additional fee charged by the airline if you choose to do this.
 - ❖ It is not possible to book your return flight from London Heathrow (LHR) to any city other than Atlanta. If you wish to participate in the group flight and end your journey anywhere other than Atlanta, you must book your flight from Atlanta to your final destination separately.
 - ❖ If you choose not to participate in the group flight, you are responsible for your own ground transportation to your first travel portion city's airport to the group's accommodation, and from Oxford to London Heathrow Airport (LHR).
 - ❖ If you choose not to participate in the group flight, you are responsible for uploading your flight itinerary to the Atlas questionnaire that will be provided.
 - ❖ Please note: The group flight is 100% optional. The cost is the average of the three group's ticket costs. If you wish to book your own flights and not participate in the group flight, that is fine. This is offered as a convenience for those who wish to fly with the group or are more comfortable doing so, or for those who are able to receive financial aid toward the cost of the flight.
1. If I book the same flight as the Group Flight however I book it on my own, can I still use the group transportation to/from the airport?
 - a. Yes. As long as your flight corresponds with the group flight, you may use the group's transportation on the arrival flight to your first European city. You cannot use the group transportation if you are on a later flight than the group. The group cannot wait on you. If there is additional space on the group transportation from Oxford to London for the return flight, you may use the group transportation, however space will be offered on a first come, first served basis.
 2. What if I book an earlier flight than the group? Can I then use the group transportation to and from the airport?
 - a. Yes. If your flight arrives on time, you may wait for the group to take advantage of it. However, if your flight is delayed, the group cannot wait for you and you will be responsible for your own transportation to the group accommodation. If there is additional space on the group transportation from Oxford to London for the return flight, you may use the group transportation, however space will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

3. If I participate on the group flight, how will I be charged for the ticket?
 - a. The ticket amount will be charged to your bursar account.

4. What are the different ways I can pay for the group flight?
 - a. To see different payment options accepted by the Bursar, please visit: <http://www.bursar.gatech.edu/content/payment-options>

5. If I select “Yes, I want the group flight,” who books my ticket?
 - a. The Oxford Program will book your ticket, charge you for it and send you your itinerary once ticketed.

6. Can I use frequent flyer miles to pay for the Group Flight ticket?
 - a. No. This is not an option however you can accrue miles for your Group Flight ticket to apply to a later flight.

7. Can I earn frequent flyer miles on the group flight?
 - a. Yes. Delta, KLM, and Air France are codeshare partners. Passengers holding frequent flyer accounts with carriers/partners of your group’s airline carrier will be credited for all miles flown on these itineraries.

8. Is airfare included in the Program Charge?
 - a. No. The group flight is not included in the program charge. It is one of 4 main expenses required to participate on the Oxford Program (Program Fee, Airfare, Tuition, and Personal Spending Money).

9. Can financial aid help cover the cost of the airfare?
 - a. Yes, this is possible however it depends on what type of aid and/or scholarships you receive. The total cost of attendance, including airfare, for a semester spent on the Oxford Program is automatically sent to the Financial Aid Office each year. The Financial Aid Office will use the estimated cost of attendance for a semester on the Oxford Program to calculate your aid accordingly. Please check with the Financial Aid Office for specific information. Aaron Gamboa (aaron.gamboa@finaid.gatech.edu) is a great contact in the Financial Aid Office; he is very familiar with aid/scholarships and how they apply to various opportunities abroad.