

Financial Policies for Brazil Scientific Mobility Program

F) Academic Training Stipends

- 1) **High-cost city stipends-** Please note that IIE does not administer the “high-cost city stipends.” IIE will send CAPES technicians a list of students’ summer locations in June, and students will receive their stipends in either June or July. Students must consult their CAPES Technicians if they have any questions or concerns about the designated high cost cities. If you are moving from a “high-cost city” to a “non-high-cost city” you may need to refund CAPES any high cost city stipends you received for the summer months. This will be managed at the discretion of CAPES. If you are unsure what is considered a “high-cost city,” please refer to <http://www.capes.gov.br/images/stories/download/legislacao/Portaria174-6dez2012-PagamentoBolsas.pdf>

- 2) **Stipend Amount-** the stipend amount you have received (or will receive) is based on the information you provided on the “[Request for Academic Training Approval](#)” form to brazilat@iie.org. Please see the chart below for more details about the portion you receive from IIE and the portion you receive from CAPES.

IIE Providing AT Stipends To Cover (see below)	CAPES (\$)	IIE (\$)	Total You should have Received (\$)
Housing & Meals	300.00*	570.00	870.00
Housing	300.00*	270.00	570.00
Meals	300.00*	270.00	570.00
N/A- Institution providing housing and meals	300.00*	0.00	300.00
* Please note this figure does not include the "high-cost city" stipend			

In addition to the monthly stipends mentioned above, which should be primarily applied towards housing and meals for May-August, you may also receive the following stipends **if you qualify**:

- a. \$1,320.00 “settling-in” stipend (one-time)
- b. \$400.00 travel stipend (one-time)

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- 3) **Summer Housing:** You are responsible for making your own housing arrangements for the summer months (May through August). If you have not already arranged your housing or received information about housing options from your AT provider, you should begin researching your options immediately. Resources include your AT provider, university/college international student offices, on- and off-campus housing offices, local newspapers, the Internet, fellow BSMP students, etc.
- a. **Finding Accommodation with your Academic Training stipends:** There are various types of accommodations (i.e., dormitory rooms, university-owned apartments, off-campus rooms or apartments). You may also have the opportunity to sublet a room or an apartment. A sublet is when the original tenant has to move out and finds someone else to move in and make the rental payments.
 - b. **Renting or subletting:** When renting or subletting a room or apartment you should consider the following:
 - i. Total cost: the monthly/weekly rate, including required deposits, utilities fees, internet/cable/phone connection charges, renter's insurance fees, parking fees, storage fees, etc.
 - ii. Payment schedule and options (check, money order, direct withdrawal, etc.)
 - iii. Penalties for breaking your lease or damages to the property
 - iv. Furnished vs. unfurnished
 - v. Location
 - vi. Transportation
 - vii. Move-in and move-out dates
 - viii. Additional points to consider:
 - 1. If you are unable to find long-term housing, you should make temporary arrangements prior to your arrival so you will have a place to stay the first couple of days.
 - 2. Read all information and leases, including addendums, very carefully and follow all instructions. Remember leases, even subleases, are legally binding documents.
 - 3. Return any housing applications immediately; do not wait.
 - 4. Find a roommate to help share the costs.
 - 5. Budget carefully and plan ahead at all times. Even if you plan on moving out in mid-August, you still might need to pay a full month's rent.
 - c. You will receive your Academic Training stipend for the entire period between the end of your spring classes and the beginning of your Academic Training, and should use this stipend to pay for any necessary housing during that time. No additional stipends will be dispersed for this gap period.

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- d. **Finding Accommodations and billing IIE (IIE pays for your housing directly)** - If your Academic Training takes place on or near a university campus that can provide housing, you can arrange housing with the university directly. If you are required to take a class in order to qualify for housing, you may register for one course (in your field of study) to take place during your approved Academic Training period. Please read Section “**J) Housing**” of the financial policies for more details.
- 4) For all questions regarding Academic Training policies and procedures, please visit the Academic Training webpage:
<http://www.iie.org/Programs/Brazil-Scientific-Mobility/Current-Students/Academic-Training>