

# Supplement to the Cost Information for Families Spreadsheet

## **Purpose of the Spreadsheet:**

- Reflects estimated program costs which are subject to change,
- Is used by the Office of Student Financial Aid when determining a student's eligibility for need-based financial aid,
- Is provided to students and parents for use in budgeting,
- IS NOT used by the Cashier, who uses ACTUAL bills from OCS programs to determine charges on student accounts.

## **The following column headings reflect items that will appear on billing statements from the Grinnell College Cashier. Actual amounts may vary based on the bill from the program:**

- "Estimated Tuition to Be Billed by Grinnell College"
- "Grinnell College Handling Fee"
- "Estimated Program Fee"

## **The program may bill Grinnell College for items in the following columns. If the program does not bill Grinnell for these items, you will need to have funds to cover these expenses directly.**

- "Estimated Room" Note: most programs bill Grinnell for room.
- "Estimated Board"
- "Estimated Personal Expense Allowance"
- "Estimated Transportation (RT)"
- "Estimated Books"
- "Estimated Other"

### Information about codes in these columns:

If there is a (1), (2), or (3) in a cell that means that an allowance is being made for this expense elsewhere. For example, a (1) in the "Estimated Room" column would mean that the room is being included in the program fee.

- (1) An allowance is included in the Program Fee column.
- (2) An allowance is included in the Estimated Room column.
- (3) An allowance is included in Estimated Personal Expense column.

## **Notes regarding the "Summary of "Estimated Other" Column:**

- This section is used to breakdown and clarify the elements of the "Estimated Other" cost column.
- Costs may include Visa purchase, local transportation, required shots, break travel money, consular costs and field trips. \$150 may be included in the "Estimated Other" column, to offset unknown or additional expenses associated with a program.