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Ballin' on a Budget: A College Student's Guide to International Travel

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Thailand

While college is expensive, and leisure time can be spread thin, traveling while being a full-time student is far from impossible.

This week's edition of the column is going to introduce a place that you may not have known as being affordable to travel to. Though it stands 7,700 miles away from San Rafael, with proper budgeting Thailand is a trip that even your little sibling could afford with their birthday money.

The most expensive part of the trip is just the flight to get there, but with adequate preparation, even that shouldn't cost you more than \$2,500 round-trip. The peak periods for visiting Thailand are between November and February which would be the perfect timing for a student trying to plan their winter break!

Thailand is known for its tropical climate, beaches, rice fields, buddhist temples, and much more. According to [Indie Traveler](https://indietraveler.com), a trip to Thailand can cost as little as \$30 a day while backpacking, or \$60 if you're looking for a leg up. Now, there are definitely large resorts which have an equally large price tag, but immersing yourself in the culture and venturing inland can make the trip more affordable and meaningful!