Cost of Attendance

Summary/Purpose: The composition of the cost of attendance for both traditional (classroom) degree programs and online degree programs.

The University prepares standard, Fall/Spring budgets for Undergraduate, Graduate, Law, LLM Space Law, MBA, PMBA, Pharmacy (EE1-3 and Pre-Pharmacy, PY1, PY2, PY3, and PY4) and Graduate Online Program students. May Intersession, First Summer, Full Summer, Second Summer, and August Intersession are considered one combined term for purposes of the summer Cost of Attendance. Winter Intersession and Spring Semester are considered one combined term for purposes of the spring Cost of Attendance.

The student's cost of attendance (or “budget”) is established using the Department of Education's rules. The types of costs that may be included are as follows:

Traditional (Classroom) Degree Program
1. Tuition and Fee Charges
2. Nonresident Tuition Charges (if applicable)
3. Capital Improvements Fee
4. Books and Supplies Expenses
5. Food Expenses
6. Housing Expenses
7. Transportation Expenses
8. Personal and Miscellaneous Expenses
9. Loan Fees (an average amount of the Federal PLUS loan origination fees is added if a PLUS loan is in the package)

These items are dependent upon the student's enrollment status.

Other costs (e.g. childcare, travel and extraordinary education expenses) are reviewed by a committee on a case-by-case basis upon the submission of a request for a professional judgment review of the student's cost of attendance.

For students enrolled less than half time, the cost of attendance may only include the following components: tuition and fees, the capital improvements fee, books and supplies, and transportation. Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis to include limited room, board and dependent care expenses for up to three semesters; no more than two of the semesters can be consecutive.

Online Degree Program
1. Tuition and Fee Charges
2. Capital Improvements Fee
3. Books and Supplies Expenses
4. Food Expenses
5. Housing Expenses
6. Transportation Expenses
7. Personal and Miscellaneous Expenses
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