

UCA College Cost and Budget Worksheet

UCA has estimated the cost of attendance based on federal guidance as a tool to assist you in budgeting for college. Please note, the information provided is not necessarily the amount you will pay to attend UCA but is provided simply as an estimate. Your actual costs will depend upon the choices you make regarding the number of hours in which you will enroll, your housing options, etc.

We have several tools to assist you with your direct cost estimates:

- Student Accounts Tuition and Fee Calculator: <http://uca.edu/studentaccounts/tuition-and-fees-calculator/>
- Financial Aid Net Price Calculator: <http://uca.edu/financialaid/financial-aid-net-price-calculator/>

Please note the figures below are based on an in-state, undergraduate student, attending the fall and spring term as a full time student in 15 credit hours per term, living in campus housing.

Direct Expense Estimates	My Estimate	UCA Estimate
Tuition and Fees (15 credit hours per term)	\$	\$ 9,638
Textbooks and Supplies	\$	\$ 1,200
Housing and Meals	\$	\$ 8,595
Total Direct Expense Estimates	\$	\$19,433

These expenses may be affected by:

- The number of credit hours in which you are enrolled
- Whether you have a private or double room
- Whether you buy or rent books

Other Educational Expenses (not owed to UCA)	My Estimate	UCA Estimate
Transportation		\$ 1,734
• Fuel	\$	
• Basic Maintenance	\$	
Personal/Miscellaneous		\$ 2,117
• Clothing	\$	
• Toiletries	\$	
• Healthcare	\$	
• Social Activities	\$	
• Other:	\$	
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Total Other Educational Expenses	\$	\$ 3,851

Total of All Estimated Expenses	\$	\$23,284
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Payment Options

You now need to consider how to pay for your college expenses. The worksheet on the next page is designed to assist you in developing a payment strategy.

Payment Options

Total of All Estimated Expenses Above	\$
Type of Funding	Amount (For Fall and Spring)
Scholarships	
• Institutional	\$
• State (ADHE)	\$
• Private	\$
• Private	\$
Grants	
• Federal Pell Grants	\$
• Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG)	\$
• State Grant	\$
Parent Savings	\$
Student Savings	\$
Student Part-time Employment	\$
Student Loan	\$
Parent Loan	\$
UCA Payment Plan (Cash Net)	\$
Other:	\$
Total of Funding Options	\$
Difference between Expenses and Funding Options	\$

If the difference is a positive number, you will need to revise your estimated costs or identify additional funding resources to assist with your estimated expenses.

If the difference is a negative number, you have estimated more resources than you expect to need.

Cost-Savings Tips:

- Choose a less-expensive housing option (double vs. single room)
- Make the most of your meal plan and save eating out for special occasions
- Buy or rent textbooks
- Use a library computer
- Control discretionary expenses (magazines, video games, cable tv, dining out, clothes, etc.)
- Check to see if the stores you frequent provide student discounts
- Attend the free UCA Activities for entertainment (athletic events, concerts, etc.)
- Make use of the Student Fitness and Health Center. Becoming healthier saves you money