COST OF ATTENDANCE AND FEDERALLY-MANDATED ADJUSTMENTS
OVERVIEW

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Cost of Attendance (COA) establishes the maximum amount of aid a student can receive.

The COA is an average of the educational expenses incurred by students.

The COA is comprised of the following components:
- Tuition and fees
- Books and supplies
- Housing and food
- Personal items
- Transportation
TYPES OF AID

The types of financial aid that count toward the Cost of Attendance (i.e., student’s aid limit) include, but are not limited to, the following:

• Scholarships
• Federal, state and other grants
• Work study
• Student and parent educational loans
• Tuition adjustments and waivers
• AmeriCorps
• Fellowships
• McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program
• And more …
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO ENROLLMENT AND COST OF ATTENDANCE (COA)

• Tax-payer funded financial aid is to cover only educationally-related costs incurred by the student.

• A student cannot receive aid in excess of their COA.

• Schools must adjust each student's COA as changes in enrollment occur through the semester’s census date.

• Adjusting the COA to reflect actual costs (e.g., actual tuition and fees) prevents students from receiving tax-payer funds for course costs they are not incurring.
## Cost of Attendance Adjustment

**Full-Time and Half-Time Enrollment Undergraduate**

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## Full-time and Half-time Enrollment Graduate

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FEDERAL RESOURCES

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- Volume 3 – Calculating Awards & Packaging
- Chapter 2 – Cost of Attendance (Budget)