

COST OF ATTENDANCE AND FEDERALLY-MANDATED ADJUSTMENTS



MEMBER THE TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM



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COST OF ATTENDANCE

- 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

2023-2024 Cost of Attendance for 1 st Baccalaureate, Resident Students		
	Full-time	Half-time
	(12+ Hours)	(6 to 8 Hours)
Tuition and Fees	\$12,220	\$6,900
Books and Supplies	\$740	\$370
Housing and Food	\$12,270	\$12,270
Personal Items	\$2,590	\$2,590
Transportation	\$1,580	\$1,580
Total	\$29,400	\$23,710



COST OF ATTENDANCE ADJUSTMENT FULL-TIME AND HALF-TIME ENROLLMENT GRADUATE

2023-2024 Cost of Attendance for Graduate, Resident Students			
	Full-time (9+ Hours)	Half-time (5 or 6 Hours)	
Tuition and Fees	\$9,000	\$6,240	
Books and Supplies	\$740	\$370	
Housing and Food	\$12,270	\$12,270	
Personal Items	\$2,590	\$2,590	
Transportation	\$1,580	\$1,580	
Total	\$26,180	\$23,050	





FEDERAL RESOURCES

2022-2023 Federal Student Aid Handbook

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

