

FINANCIAL MATTERS FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS

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Costs

Scholarships or other financial assistance are **not** available at CCC for undergraduate foreign students. United States immigration laws prohibit employment off campus except when special permission is granted in unforeseen emergency situations. Part-time employment on the CCC campus is difficult to obtain and the few available jobs are relatively low paying. Immigration regulations also require a student to obtain permission to accept employment during college vacation periods.

Due to restrictions on employment, the college cannot approve the admission of any foreign student who does not have sufficient financial resources to complete at least one academic year of the course to be pursued. Therefore, applicants must locate a sponsoring institution or government agency in their own country or perhaps a friend or relative with sufficient income to provide money for all educational and travel expenses.

Health-related costs in the United States are very high. These expenses may be lessened if medical, dental and optical work is completed before leaving home. CCC urges all foreign students to have an adequate insurance policy covering medical expenses and emergencies.

Monetary Exchange

Most governments regulate the exchange or conversion of local money into American dollars. Authorities in one's home country should be consulted about the procedure established for transmitting money to the United States. All arrangements must be completed before a student leaves home. Drafts or checks drawn on banks outside the U.S.A. generally are not acceptable as means of payment in the United States. Therefore, money should be in U.S. traveler's checks or an international money order. This web site may provide assistance in developing budgets and understanding currency conversions: <http://www.xe.com/ucc/>

Each prospective student should become thoroughly familiar with government regulations for exchanging and forwarding money to the U.S. and should make arrangements to have the necessary funds available at the beginning of each semester and at regular intervals throughout each year. A student should arrange to bring a year's expenses with him/her and thereafter request a year's expenses in advance.

Termination from the College

Students who fail to maintain full-time status in classes, fail to progress as expected by the college, become a disciplinary problem or fail to keep current in their financial affairs with the college are subject to suspension and/or dismissal from the college. CCC is also mandated by Federal Government to report any of these problems to the Department of Homeland Security. Any of these situations are actions for removal from the U.S.

College Expenses

The following expenses are for attendance as a full-time student (at least 12 credit hours per semester). Summer school attendance is optional and summer living expenses for those not enrolled in summer school are about \$3,000.

The costs of tuition and college housing/meals are exact and are not estimated expenses. However, they are subject to slight increase without notice. The costs of books, supplies, living expenses, health insurance (estimates given to us by a health insurance agent) are reasonable estimates and will vary depending upon the individual. Tuition, college housing, meals, books and supplies must be paid in full at the beginning of each semester. There are not arrangements for paying by monthly installments.

Sample Budget for a Single Student Living in College Dormitories (Columbus and Hastings Campuses)

A single student living at CCC will need more than **\$15,990.00** per calendar year. Furthermore, a student should assume that costs will increase slightly from year to year. Minimum expenses are:

On Campus

Tuition & fees (two semesters)	\$2,544
Books & supplies (estimate)\$	\$1,200
Room & board (two semesters)	\$4,360
Health insurance (optional) (estimate)	\$864
Estimated weekend living expenses	\$1,000
Miscellaneous (c)	\$2,400
Academic Year Total (9 mo.)	\$12,368
Room & board (summer)	<u>\$1,950</u>
Calendar Year Total (12 month)	\$14,318
Additional expenses may include:	
Tuition & Fees (summer) (12 credits)	\$1,272
Books & supplies (summer)	<u>\$400</u>
	\$15,990

Sample Budget of a Single Student Living in Off-Campus Housing

A single student living off-campus while attending CCC will need more than **\$19,180** per calendar year. Furthermore, a student should assume that costs will increase slightly from year to year. Minimum expenses are:

Off Campus

Tuition & fees (two semesters)	\$2,544
Books & supplies (estimate)	\$1,200
Room & board (two semesters)	\$7,500 @ \$500 per month times 9 months
Health insurance (optional) (estimate)	\$864
Miscellaneous (c)	<u>\$3,000</u>
Academic Year Total (9 mo.)	\$15,108
Room & board (summer)	<u>\$2,400</u>
Calendar Year Total (12 mo.)	
Additional expenses may include:	
Tuition & fees (summer) (12 credits)	\$1,272
Books & supplies (summer)	<u>400</u>
	\$19,180

Attendance at summer school is optional; tuition and fees for summer school depend on enrollment. Actual costs vary with the number of credit hours for which a student enrolls, types of residence, amount of clothing purchased, car maintenance, travel, whether he/she brings a spouse and children, and how far from the college he/she lives. For airfare information between destinations, please see www.expedia.com, www.orbitz.com or www.travelocity.com.

- These estimates are based on average programs of 12 hours per semester. Tuition is charged on a

"per credit hour" basis. The 2006-2008 tuition and fees averages \$106.00 per credit hour, but the College Board of Governors reserves the right to change tuition and fees at any time.

- Many foreign students choose to live in apartments. Apartment living may require substantial additional expenses for furniture and/or furnishings, advance rental deposit and utilities. Actual costs will vary by individual but as much as \$3,000 may be needed.
- Residence hall fees are \$4,360 per academic year for double room and board. These fees do not include the autumn, winter, spring and summer vacation periods when on-campus college housing is closed. Many students spend this time traveling to other cities to meet friends. Students remaining in the city will have additional costs for temporary housing and food. Modest estimates to cover these costs are \$75-\$100 per day for approximately 6-8 weeks of these vacation periods.
- Miscellaneous items include clothing, laundry, recreation, local travel, personal expenses, etc.

SEVIS

Central Community College has been approved through Homeland Security to enroll international students. In order to comply with federal regulations we ask that students report immediately to the international student advisor.

Students and exchange visitors from abroad who register with the SEVIS program are required to pay the appropriate fee – in most cases, \$100 – prior to obtaining their visas. The SEVIS-I-901 Web site at <http://www.fmjfee.com> provides further information on processing the fee and frequently asked questions associated with the fee. International students should visit the SEVIS website at <http://www.ice.gov/sevis>.

Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity

Information contained in this publication was correct and complete as of March 2007. This publication should not be considered a contract between Central Community College and any student. The college reserves the right to make changes in policies and procedures without notice or obligation.

Central Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, national origin, gender, age, disability, marital status, or military veteran status as is defined by law in employment, admission, scholarship and financial aid programs or operation of its educational programs and activities as prescribed by Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Executive Order 11246 as amended, sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, the Age Discrimination Acts of 1974 and 1975, and other federal and state laws and regulations.

Individuals who need accommodations as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act are invited to make those needs known to an academic adviser, registrar or student services officer. Inquiries concerning the application of these laws and regulations may be directed to the Human Resources Office, Central Community College, P.O. Box 4903, Grand Island, NE 68802-4903; (308) 398-7325, or to the director, Office of Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, DC 20201. The Central Community College Web site [Consumer Information Page](#) provides information on the following topics: Student right to Know/Graduation/Completion Rates; Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act; Safety, Security and Substance Awareness; Voter Registration Form. Printed copies are available from the CCC's dean of student's office.

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