

# 2025-2026 Cost of Attendance Budgets for Drake University

## Introduction

This document outlines the standard Cost of Attendance (COA) budgets for the degree programs offered at Drake University. The COA estimates a student's educationally-related expenses, and is the starting point for calculating a student's financial need. It also functions as a limit on the total financial aid (including loans) a student may receive. The COA is an estimate--actual student expenses can vary significantly, especially for indirect (non-billed) expenses, such as transportation or personal expenses. Students can view their assigned COA in Financial Aid Self-Service.

## COA Budget Categories & Notes of Explanation

### [I. Bachelor Degree Programs \(In-Person\) - Page 2](#)

These budgets are based on enrollment in both the fall and spring semesters. Due to Drake's Tuition Guarantee, tuition and fees for *full-time* undergraduate students will vary based on the year a student enrolled at Drake University (exception: Accelerated BSN). Budgets are provided for students enrolled full-time (12-18 credits) or in 9, 6, or 3 credits per semester.

### [II. Online Bachelor Degree Programs in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication - Page 3](#)

These budgets are based on enrollment in both the fall and spring semesters. Budgets are provided for students enrolled in 12, 9, 6 or 3 credits per semester.

### [III. John D. Bright College \(Associate Degree\) - Page 4](#)

These budgets are based on the curricular structure of Bright College. In the first year, students are enrolled in the fall and spring semesters. In the second year, students enroll in the summer, fall, and spring semesters. Students are full-time (12-18 credits) in the fall and spring semesters, and half-time (6 credits) in the summer.

### [IV. Graduate & Professional Programs in the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences - Page 5](#)

These programs have different default enrollment assumptions, depending on the year of the program. Each budget identifies the period of time on which the budget is based (ex. Summer/Fall/Spring or Fall/Spring). Full-time (12-18 credits/semester) budgets are provided for Pharmacy (PharmD), Occupational Therapy (OTD), and Athletic Training (AT). Half-time budgets (6 credits/semester) are provided for the Masters of Science in Clinical Psychopharmacology (MSCP) program and the Pharmacy program for years 1/2.

### [V. Law School and other graduate-level programs - Page 6](#)

Law budgets are provided based on full-time enrollment (10+ credits/semester) and half-time enrollment (6 credits/semester) in both the fall and spring semesters. Graduate budgets are based on half-time enrollment (6 credits/semester), and budgets are provided for both fall/spring and summer/fall/spring enrollment scenarios. Graduate budgets include all graduate-level degree programs not listed separately, and the tuition amount is an estimated amount based on the median graduate tuition rate. Actual tuition rates for each graduate/professional program are outlined at [www.drake.edu/accounts/tuitionfees](http://www.drake.edu/accounts/tuitionfees). "Compressed" budgets are also provided for students whose coursework spans 8 or fewer weeks each semester.

## Budgets for Campus Housing

The default allowance used for *Campus* housing is based on the residence hall rate for double, triple or quad occupancy. Students who elect for a single room (or a double room as a single) can request an adjustment to their housing allowance. The cost for all residence hall options can be viewed at [www.drake.edu/finaid/tuition](http://www.drake.edu/finaid/tuition). Only Drake students are permitted to live in campus housing. Accordingly, a budget reflecting the cost of campus housing for students with dependents is not provided.

## Cost of Attendance Budget Appeals

Students may appeal for adjustments to their COA budget. Examples for why an appeal may be necessary might include requesting allowances for: a personal computer purchase, study-abroad expenses, disability-related educational expenses, dependent care expenses that occur while a student is enrolled, or reasonable educationally-related expenses a student has incurred that exceed the budgeted amount. More information about how to submit a COA budget appeal can be found at the link below.

<https://www.drake.edu/finaid/forms/appeals>

### Bachelor's Degree Programs (In-Person)

F U L L T I M E	Entrance Year	2025-2026 Cohort			2024-2025 Cohort			2023-24 Cohort			2022-23 Cohort		
	Housing Type	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent
	Tuition	51,444	51,444	51,444	51,444	51,444	51,444	49,466	49,466	49,466	47,564	47,564	47,564
	Fees	686	686	686	516	516	516	516	516	516	516	516	516
	Course Ready*	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510
	Housing	7048	7308	4617	7048	7308	4617	7048	7308	4617	7048	7308	4617
	Food	5828	3600	2160	5828	3600	2160	5828	3600	2160	5828	3600	2160
	Transportation	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,240	1,368	1,368
	Personal	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935
	Loan Fees	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>68,952</b>	<b>67,112</b>	<b>62,981</b>	<b>68,782</b>	<b>66,942</b>	<b>62,811</b>	<b>66,804</b>	<b>64,964</b>	<b>60,833</b>	<b>64,902</b>	<b>63,062</b>	<b>58,931</b>
F U L L T I M E	Entrance Year	2021-22 Cohort			2020-21 Cohort			2019-20 Cohort			2018-19 Cohort		
	Housing Type	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent
	Tuition	45,734	45,734	45,734	44,188	44,188	44,188	42,694	42,694	42,694	41,250	41,250	41,250
	Fees	516	516	516	516	516	516	516	516	516	516	516	516
	Course Ready*	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510
	Housing	7048	7308	4617	7048	7308	4617	7048	7308	4617	7048	7308	4617
	Food	5828	3600	2160	5828	3600	2160	5828	3600	2160	5828	3600	2160
	Transportation	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,240	1,368	1,368
	Personal	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935
	Loan Fees	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>63,072</b>	<b>61,232</b>	<b>57,101</b>	<b>61,526</b>	<b>59,686</b>	<b>55,555</b>	<b>60,032</b>	<b>58,192</b>	<b>54,061</b>	<b>58,588</b>	<b>56,748</b>	<b>52,617</b>
F U L L T I M E		Accelerated BSN (Fall/Spring)			Accelerated BSN (summer 2025)								
	Housing Type	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent						
	Tuition	27,000	27,000	27,000	11,250	11,250	11,250						
	Fees	2,072	2,072	2,072	848	848	848						
	Books/Supplies	255	255	255	0	0	0						
	Housing	7048	7308	4617	2210	2030	1,283						
	Food	5828	3600	2160	1000	1000	600						
	Transportation	1,240	1,368	1,368	344	380	380						
	Personal	1,935	1,935	1,935	538	538	538						
	Loan Fees	261	261	261	131	131	131						
	Licensure Costs	0	0	0	343	343	343						
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>45,639</b>	<b>43,799</b>	<b>39,668</b>	<b>16,663</b>	<b>16,519</b>	<b>15,373</b>						
N O T F U L L T I M E	Enroll Status	Three Quarter-Time (9 credits)			Half-Time (6 credits)			Less Than Half-Time (3 credits)					
	Housing Type	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent	Campus	Commuter	W/ Parent			
	Tuition	25,200	25,200	25,200	16,800	16,800	16,800	8,400	8,400	8,400			
	Fees	360	360	360	360	360	360	360	360	360			
	Course Ready*	306	306	306	204	204	204	102	102	102			
	Housing	7048	7308	4617	7048	7308	4617	0	0	0			
	Food	5828	3600	2160	5828	3600	2160	0	0	0			
	Transportation	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,240	1,368	1,368			
	Personal	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	0	0	0			
	Loan Fees	261	261	261	261	261	261	0	0	0			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42,178</b>	<b>40,338</b>	<b>36,207</b>	<b>33,676</b>	<b>31,836</b>	<b>27,705</b>	<b>10,102</b>	<b>10,230</b>	<b>10,230</b>			

\* Drake's Course Ready program automatically provides all required books and course materials for every class in which a student is enrolled. Students may opt out.

### Online Bachelor's Degree Programs (School of Journalism and Mass Communication only)

Enroll Status	Full-Time (12 credits)			Three-Quarter Time (9 Credits)			Half-Time (6 credits)			Less Than Half-Time (3 credits)		
<i>Housing Type</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Commuter</i>	<i>W/ Parent</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Commuter</i>	<i>W/ Parent</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Commuter</i>	<i>W/ Parent</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Commuter</i>	<i>W/ Parent</i>
Tuition	15,600	15,600	15,600	11,700	11,700	11,700	7,800	7,800	7,800	3,900	3,900	3,900
Fees	630	630	630	270	270	270	270	270	270	270	270	270
Books/Supplies	510	510	510	306	306	306	204	204	204	102	102	102
Housing	7048	7308	4617	7048	7308	4617	7048	7308	4617	0	0	0
Food	5828	3600	2160	5828	3600	2160	5828	3600	2160	0	0	0
Transportation	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,240	1,368	1,368
Personal	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	1,935	0	0	0
Loan Fees	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	261	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>33,052</b>	<b>31,212</b>	<b>27,081</b>	<b>28,588</b>	<b>26,748</b>	<b>22,617</b>	<b>24,586</b>	<b>22,746</b>	<b>18,615</b>	<b>5,512</b>	<b>5,640</b>	<b>5,640</b>

## John D Bright College (Associate's Degree)

Year in Program	New Yr 1 (Fall, J-term, Spring)			Year 2 (Summer, Fall, J-term, Spring)		
<i>Housing Type</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Comm</i>	<i>w/ Par</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Comm</i>	<i>w/ Par</i>
Tuition	18,480	18,480	18,480	19,960	19,960	19,960
Basic Fees	516	516	516	586	586	586
Books/Supplies	150	150	150	150	150	150
Housing	8,413	7,308	4,617	9,739	8,526	5,387
Food	5,828	3,600	2,160	6,428	4,200	2,520
Transportation	1,240	1,368	1,368	1,447	1,596	1,596
Personal	1,935	1,935	1,935	2,258	2,258	2,258
Loan Fees	121	121	121	121	121	121
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36,683</b>	<b>33,478</b>	<b>29,347</b>	<b>40,688</b>	<b>37,397</b>	<b>32,577</b>

### Graduate & Professional Programs in the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

F U L L  T I M E	Program/Type	PharmD Year 1/2 (Fall/Spring)			PharmD Year 3 (Fall/Spring)			PharmD Year 4 (12 months)		
	Housing Type	Campus	Comm	w/ Par	Campus	Comm	w/ Par	Campus	Comm	w/ Par
	Tuition	44,976	44,976	44,976	44,976	44,976	44,976	50,598	50,598	50,598
	Fees	516	516	516	516	516	516	180	180	180
	Books/Supplies	600	600	600	1,000	1,000	1,000	20	20	20
	Housing	7,048	7,308	4,617	7,048	9,239	4,617	10,142	12,318	6,156
	Food	5,828	3,600	2,160	5,828	3,600	2,160	7,028	4,800	2,880
	Transportation	1,240	1,368	1,368	2,050	2,682	2,682	2,733	3,576	3,576
	Personal	1,935	1,935	1,935	3,402	3,402	3,402	4,536	4,536	4,536
	Loan Fees	261	261	261	1,172	1,172	1,172	1,099	1,099	1,099
	Licensure Costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	825	825	825
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>62,404</b>	<b>60,564</b>	<b>56,433</b>	<b>65,992</b>	<b>66,587</b>	<b>60,525</b>	<b>77,161</b>	<b>77,952</b>	<b>69,870</b>
F U L L  T I M E	Program/Type	OTD Year 1 (Fall/Spring)			OTD Year 2 (Summer/Fall/Spring)			OTD Year 3 (Summer/Fall/Spring)		
	Housing Type	Campus	Comm	w/ Par	Campus	Comm	w/ Par	Campus	Comm	w/ Par
	Tuition	40,904	40,904	40,904	61,356	61,356	61,356	61,356	61,356	61,356
	Fees	390	390	390	390	390	390	250	250	250
	Books/Supplies	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	100	100	100
	Housing	7,048	9,239	4,617	9,292	11,292	5,643	9,768	12,318	6,156
	Food	5,828	3,600	2,160	6,628	4,400	2,640	7,028	4,800	2,880
	Transportation	2,050	2,682	2,682	2,506	3,278	3,278	2,733	3,576	3,576
	Personal	3,402	3,402	3,402	4,158	4,158	4,158	4,536	4,536	4,536
	Loan Fees	1,014	1,014	1,014	2,348	2,348	2,348	2,348	2,348	2,348
	Licensure Costs	0	0	0	0	0	0	515	515	515
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>61,636</b>	<b>62,231</b>	<b>56,169</b>	<b>87,678</b>	<b>88,222</b>	<b>80,813</b>	<b>88,634</b>	<b>89,799</b>	<b>81,717</b>
F U L L  T I M E	Program/Type	AT Year 1 (Fall/Spring)			AT Year 2 (Summer/Fall/Spring)					
	Housing Type	Campus	Comm	w/ Par	Campus	Comm	w/ Par			
	Tuition	29,800	29,800	29,800	44,700	44,700	44,700			
	Fees	390	390	390	250	250	250			
	Books/Supplies	1,000	1,000	1,000	300	300	300			
	Housing	7,048	9,239	4,617	10,278	12,318	6,156			
	Food	5,828	3,600	2,160	7,028	4,800	2,880			
	Transportation	2,050	2,682	2,682	2,733	3,576	3,576			
	Personal	3,402	3,402	3,402	4,536	4,536	4,536			
	Loan Fees	360	360	360	1,638	1,638	1,638			
	Licensure Costs	0	0	0	365	365	365			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>49,878</b>	<b>50,473</b>	<b>44,411</b>	<b>71,828</b>	<b>72,483</b>	<b>64,401</b>			
H A L F  T I M E	Program/Type	MSCP Year 1 (Fall/Spring)			MSCP Year 2 (Summer/Fall/Spring)			PharmD Year 1/2 (Fall/Spring)		
	Housing Type	Campus	Comm	w/ Par	Campus	Comm	w/ Par	Campus	Comm	w/ Par
	Tuition	7,200	7,200	7,200	10,800	10,800	10,800	12,000	12,000	12,000
	Fees	270	270	270	340	340	340	360	360	360
	Books/Supplies	650	650	650	975	975	975	300	300	300
	Housing	7,048	9,239	4,617	10,142	12,318	6,156	7,048	7,308	4,617
	Food	5,828	3,600	2,160	7,028	4,800	2,880	5,828	3,600	2,160
	Transportation	2,050	2,682	2,682	2,733	3,576	3,576	1,240	1,368	1,368
	Personal	3,402	3,402	3,402	4,536	4,536	4,536	1,935	1,935	1,935
	Loan Fees	249	249	249	249	249	249	261	261	261
	Licensure Costs	0	0	0	825	825	825	0	0	0
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26,697</b>	<b>27,292</b>	<b>21,230</b>	<b>37,628</b>	<b>38,419</b>	<b>30,337</b>	<b>28,972</b>	<b>27,132</b>	<b>23,001</b>

### Law and Other Graduate Programs

F U L L  T I M E	Program/Type	Law Years 1 & 2 (Fall/Spring)			Law Year 3 (Fall/Spring)		
	<i>Housing Type</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Comm</i>	<i>w/ Par</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Comm</i>	<i>w/ Par</i>
	Tuition	50,920	50,920	50,920	50,920	50,920	50,920
	Fees	470	470	470	470	470	470
	Books/Supplies	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
	Housing	7,048	9,239	4,617	7,048	9,239	4,617
	Food	5,828	3,600	2,160	5,828	3,600	2,160
	Transportation	2,050	2,682	2,682	2,050	2,682	2,682
	Personal	3,402	3,402	3,402	3,402	3,402	3,402
	Loan Fees	1,109	1,109	1,109	1,109	1,109	1,109
	Licensure Costs	0	0	0	4,027	4,027	4,027
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>72,827</b>	<b>73,422</b>	<b>67,360</b>	<b>76,854</b>	<b>77,448</b>	<b>71,387</b>

H A L F  T I M E	Program/Type	Grad (Fall/Spring)			Grad (Sum/Fall/Spring)			Law Years 1 & 2 (Fall/Spring)		
	<i>Housing Type</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Comm</i>	<i>w/ Par</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Comm</i>	<i>w/ Par</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Comm</i>	<i>w/ Par</i>
	Tuition	8,568	8,568	8,568	12,852	12,852	12,852	21,072	21,072	21,072
	Fees	360	360	360	430	430	430	360	360	360
	Books/Supplies	650	650	650	975	975	975	1,000	1,000	1,000
	Housing	7,048	9,239	4,617	10,142	12,318	6,156	7,048	9,239	4,617
	Food	5,828	3,600	2,160	7,028	4,800	2,880	5,828	3,600	2,160
	Transportation	2,050	2,682	2,682	2,733	3,576	3,576	2,050	2,682	2,682
	Personal	3,402	3,402	3,402	4,536	4,536	4,536	3,402	3,402	3,402
	Loan Fees	249	249	249	249	249	249	1,109	1,109	1,109
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28,155</b>	<b>28,750</b>	<b>22,688</b>	<b>38,945</b>	<b>39,736</b>	<b>31,654</b>	<b>41,869</b>	<b>42,464</b>	<b>36,402</b>

C O M P R E S S E D	Program/Type	Grad (Fall/Spring)			Grad (Sum/Fall/Spring)		
	<i>Housing Type</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Comm</i>	<i>w/ Par</i>	<i>Campus</i>	<i>Comm</i>	<i>w/ Par</i>
	Tuition	8,568	8,568	8,568	12,852	12,852	12,852
	Fees	360	360	360	430	430	430
	Books/Supplies	650	650	650	975	975	975
	Housing	7,048	4,106	2,052	10,142	6,159	3,078
	Food	5,828	1,600	960	7,028	2,400	1,440
	Transportation	911	1,192	1,192	1,367	1,788	1,788
	Personal	1,512	1,512	1,512	2,268	2,268	2,268
	Loan Fees	249	249	249	249	249	249
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25,126</b>	<b>18,237</b>	<b>15,543</b>	<b>35,311</b>	<b>27,121</b>	<b>23,080</b>