

THE COST OF YOUR EDUCATION INCLUDES MORE THAN TUITION

The cost of your education, whether it is at CUNY or any other college, includes more than tuition. When we calculate your eligibility for financial aid, we assign you a "Cost of Attendance Budget." This budget includes cost of books, supplies, transportation and miscellaneous personal expenses.

Below are the estimated nine month budgets for variable costs (in addition to tuition and fees) for students living with parents and students living away from parents.

2014 - 2015 STUDENT BUDGETS

STUDENTS LIVING WITH PARENTS	
Full-Time NYS resident tuition	\$6,030
Full-time fees	\$429.20
Books and Supplies	\$1,304
Transportation (MetroCard)	\$1,020
Lunch	\$1,148
Living Expenses:	
Personal Expenses	\$1,798
Room and Board	\$1,918
TOTAL VARIABLE COSTS	\$13,647.20
STUDENTS LIVING AWAY FROM HOME	
Full-Time NYS resident tuition	\$6,030
Full-time fees	\$429.20
Books and Supplies	\$1,304
Transportation (MetroCard)	\$1,020
Lunch	\$1,148
Living Expenses:	
Food at home	\$2,020
Personal Expenses	\$4,106
Housing	\$10,386
TOTAL VARIABLE COSTS	\$26,443.20

Notes about College Cost of Attendance Budgets

- CUNY uses federal guidelines to formulate standard budgets of college expenses that consist of the elements that make up a student's cost of attendance for a 9 month academic year.
- A student's budget has two components: expenses directly related to attending college and living expenses. Direct educational expenses are the same for all Lehman College students. Allowable living expenses differ according to whether you live with your parents or not.
- The only portion of the above costs that you actually pay to the college are the tuition and fees. The remaining costs are estimates provided to you for budgeting purposes. CUNY uses these cost estimates for making financial aid awards.
- CUNY makes certain assumptions in coming up with the some of the cost estimates listed. For example, it is assumed you will use the New York City transit system to travel to and from school. If you are not living with your parents, the expense budget assumes you are sharing housing costs with someone else. It is expected that you will have some measure of control over many of these expenses and will be relatively frugal.