



International applicants must affirm that they are responsible for paying all tuition, fees and living expenses for the entire period of the intended study program. Applicants must document the estimated full cost of the first academic year of study, following admission, before the university can issue a Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20 or DS-2019) for F-1 or J-1 visa issuance. Applicants must document financial support equal to or greater than the amounts indicated below (one year of study).

Annual Estimated Budget for International Graduate Students

TUITION ¹	\$21,128
FEES (including health insurance) ²	\$4,438
LIVING EXPENSES ³	\$12,174
ESTIMATED TOTAL	\$37,740

¹Tuition indicated above is the 2023-24 tuition rate for the academic year only (August–May). Tuition can increase annually (but does not always). The above tuition is for Fall and Spring semesters and is based on 9 credit hours of on-campus (in-person) enrollment per semester. Summer session tuition and fees are not included above; Summer tuition is charged per credit; standard graduate tuition and fees may be calculated per credit hour [here](#). Students enrolled in the College of Business and Analytics (COBA) are assessed a 15% tuition differential surcharge (Tuition estimates will increase to \$22,397). For students applying to this College, the tuition differential surcharge will be assessed as part of the financial support review. More information on COBA tuition available [here](#). Students qualifying for a high achiever’s alternate tuition rate will be asked to show a tuition rate equivalent to that of the resident tuition rate (Tuition estimates will decrease to \$8,451). Additional information regarding alternate tuition rates may be found [here](#).

²Fee amounts are calculated per 9 credit hours of enrollment. This amount does include student health insurance estimates.

³Minimum allowance for least expensive on-campus housing and food costs for the Fall and Spring semesters (one academic year); optional Summer sessions and school breaks are not included (if the student were to live on campus in those periods). The university estimates that students will need an additional \$880.00 or more for books and supplies, and \$1,650 or more for personal expenses and incidental costs.

The above figures are estimated costs and are subject to change without notice. Total costs typically increase 5% per annum. Estimated costs published by SIU’s Financial Aid Office may be referenced [here](#).

Dependent Support

An F-1 student wishing to have his or her spouse and/or children accompany him or her must document the following amounts for each family member per academic year of intended study. A marriage certificate (in the original language along with an official English translation) must be provided for the dependent spouse. Birth certificates (in the original language along with an official English translation) must be provided for the dependent children.

- For spouse: \$5,000 per academic year
- For each child: \$2,500 per academic year

Assistantships, Fellowships, and other Financial Assistance from SIU Carbondale

Some campus units and academic programs provide funding offers that are less than the estimated costs of attendance used for immigration purposes. In this case, you are required to certify the difference. Assistantships and Fellowships offer a tuition waiver and monthly stipend. To clarify the rate of your monthly stipend, please contact your hiring unit directly.

Forms of Financial Documentation

Type of Documentation ⁴	
Bank Letters	Acceptable
Bank Statements (Savings or Checking Accounts)	Acceptable
Certificates of Deposit (CD) Statements	Acceptable - maturity date must be earlier than anticipated enrollment date.
Chartered Accountant Statements	Not Acceptable
Employer Letters	Acceptable – student may not work for employer while studying.
Line of Credit Letters	Acceptable
Loan Letters	Acceptable
Provident (Retirement) Fund Statements	Acceptable - if fund permits early withdrawal; value will be calculated at 75 percent of face value (or as determined by terms of the fund).
Scholarship Letters (Private, Government, School, etc.)	Acceptable
Stock Market Statements	Not Acceptable
Valuation Statements (Jewelry, Gold, Property)	Not Acceptable

⁴This information is required for visa eligibility determination only. All acceptable forms of documentation must be on official letterhead from the institution that issued the document. Documents must be dated within one year of the anticipated date the student will commence studies. Documents can be clear photocopies, scanned, faxed (upon request) or original. All documents submitted to SIU Carbondale become the property of SIU Carbondale; they cannot be returned or forwarded to another person/institution.

Graduate School Affidavit of Support Form

PART III (Optional)

Include information for any dependent(s) that may accompany you while studying in the U.S. This is needed for those in dependent visa classifications (F-2 or J-2 visa holders).

Surname / Given Names	Date of Birth	Country of Birth	City of Birth	Country of Citizenship	Relationship to Applicant
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					

Add a separate sheet of paper if you need more space for additional dependents.