

## COST OF ATTENDING South Texas College

When comparing financial aid packages from other schools, make sure you are comparing the total cost of attending that school, not just the total financial aid awarded. It is important for you to budget and make wise decisions on how to utilize the financial aid funds you receive.

The following are average<sup>1</sup> costs of attendance for a full-time student attending both the Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 terms of the award year and enrolled in 15 credit hours per term:

	<b>Texas Resident</b> Living with parents or relatives	<b>Texas Resident</b> Living independently	<b>Texas Resident Out of Hidalgo &amp; Starr Districts</b> Living with parents or relatives	<b>Texas Resident Out of Hidalgo &amp; Starr Districts</b> Living independently	<b>Texas Non-Resident<sup>2</sup></b> Living with parents	<b>Texas Non-Resident</b> Living independently
Tuition & Fees	4,080	4,080	4,380	4,380	7,500	7,500
Books & Supplies	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
Living Expenses <sup>3</sup> & Transportation	7,496	9,680	7,496	9,680	7,496	9,680
Total Budget	12,776	14,960	13,076	15,260	16,196	18,380

For a complete list of Cost of Attendance Budgets at South Texas College, please see pages below.

### ***What is the Cost to Attend South Texas College?***

College cost, which is sometimes referred to as the Cost of Attendance (COA), takes into account tuition and basic living expenses; it includes both direct and indirect costs:

- Direct Costs at STC: These are the costs that the family was billed for, by the college –such as tuition and fees. Tuition is set based on a semester credit hour charge. For example, a full-time student enrolled in 4 classes, (3 credit hours per class), will be charged for 12 credit hours and any associated course fees, see STC’s tuition and fees schedule at <http://finance.southtexascollege.edu/businessoffice/cashiers/rates.html>
- Indirect Costs at STC: These are the costs that don’t show up on the college bill. They include books, supplies and travel, as well as personal expenses such as laundry, telephone, food and others. Since you will be living off-campus, room and board costs will also be indirect costs. You can control indirect costs to some degree, by making smart spending choices.

<sup>1</sup> Average expenses are based on local cost of living information, to be used in the calculation of financial aid eligibility. Individual expenses will vary based on your choice of lifestyle and living arrangements.

<sup>2</sup> Non-Texas Residents include out-of-state students and international students. Review STC’s Information for Residency Classification at <https://catalog.southtexascollege.edu/general-admissions/resident-status-students/>.

<sup>3</sup> Living Expenses refer to Room & Board and Personal Expenses.

**South Texas College uses Five Basic Cost Components to determine your Cost of Attendance (COA), for Federal Student Aid Purposes**

1. Tuition and Fees (Direct Cost): These are the charges for your education. They may vary based on the degree or certificate program and number of credit hours attending each semester. The tuition and fee charges will appear on the bill. At STC, your Tuition and Fees component will represent the average cost for a student.
2. Books and Supplies (Indirect Cost): At STC, your Books and Supplies component will represent the average cost of books and supplies for a typical student for an entire academic year. It usually includes books, educational supplies, course materials and computer-related expenses.
3. Room and Board (Indirect Cost): STC does not have on-campus housing so it is necessary for students to make an estimate of these expenses. This would include a reasonable estimate of what it would cost to live in Hidalgo or Starr County while attending school during the Fall and/or Spring semesters. The actual costs may vary by individual choices related to location and circumstances. This generally includes rent, food, snacks, household supplies and utilities.
4. Personal Expenses (Indirect Cost): These are estimated costs for clothing, haircuts, entertainment, laundry, telephone and other miscellaneous expenses. What you actually spend on these types of items may be higher or lower depending on your own lifestyle. You should keep track of these, as they can quickly add up.
5. Transportation (Indirect Cost): This represents the average cost for a student. It includes transportation costs to and from class and work (e.g., bus fare, gasoline, tolls, etc.).

Be sure to review your budget and plan ahead. At South Texas College, Financial Aid is available to assist with your cost of attendance. To read more about Paying for College visit <http://studentaid.ed.gov/> and <http://www.collegefortexans.com/>.

Cost of Attendance Budgets follow below, for the two latest award years.

Please note that the Student Financial Services Department has taken care to ensure the accuracy and timeliness of the information contained on this publication. However, contents are subject to change without notice because of changing Federal, State and/or Institutional policies.

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## Resident Student Cost of Attendance Budget (9 Months) 2021-2022

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	4080	4080	4080	1560
Room & Board	4350	6432	5308	0
Books & Supplies	1200	1200	1200	600
Travel	1464	1464	1464	1000
Personal Exps	1400	1400	1400	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>12494</b>	<b>14576</b>	<b>13452</b>	<b>3160</b>

## One Semester Budget

	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	2040	2040	2040	780
Room & Board	2175	3216	2654	0
Books & Supplies	600	600	600	300
Travel	732	732	732	500
Personal Exps	700	700	700	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6247</b>	<b>7288</b>	<b>6726</b>	<b>1580</b>

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## Out-of-District Student Cost of Attendance Budget ( 9 Months ) 2021-2022

	<b>I</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>L</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	4380	4380	4380	1660
Room & Board	4350	6432	5308	0
Books & Supplies	1200	1200	1200	600
Travel	1464	1464	1464	1000
Personal Exps	1400	1400	1400	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>12794</b>	<b>14876</b>	<b>13752</b>	<b>3260</b>

## One Semester Budget

	<b>M</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>P</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	2190	2190	2190	830
Room & Board	2175	3216	2654	0
Books & Supplies	600	600	600	300
Travel	732	732	732	500
Personal Exps	700	700	700	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6397</b>	<b>7438</b>	<b>6876</b>	<b>1630</b>

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## Non-Resident Student Cost of Attendance Budget (9 Months) 2021-2022

	<b>Q</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>T</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	7770	7770	7770	2790
Room & Board	4350	6432	5308	0
Books & Supplies	1200	1200	1200	600
Travel	1464	1464	1464	1000
Personal Exps	1400	1400	1400	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>16184</b>	<b>18266</b>	<b>17142</b>	<b>4390</b>

## One Semester Budget

	<b>U</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>X</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	3885	3885	3885	1395
Room & Board	2175	3216	2654	0
Books & Supplies	600	600	600	300
Travel	732	732	732	500
Personal Exps	700	700	700	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>8092</b>	<b>9133</b>	<b>8571</b>	<b>2195</b>

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## Resident Student Cost of Attendance Budget (9 Months) 2022-2023

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	4080	4080	4080	1560
Room & Board	4561	6745	5566	0
Books & Supplies	1200	1200	1200	600
Travel	1535	1535	1535	1000
Personal Exps	1400	1400	1400	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>12776</b>	<b>14960</b>	<b>13781</b>	<b>3160</b>

## One Semester Budget

	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	2040	2040	2040	780
Room & Board	2281	3373	2783	0
Books & Supplies	600	600	600	300
Travel	768	768	768	500
Personal Exps	700	700	700	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6389</b>	<b>7481</b>	<b>6891</b>	<b>1580</b>

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## Out-of-District Student Cost of Attendance Budget ( 9 Months ) 2022-2023

	<b>I</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>L</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	4380	4380	4380	1660
Room & Board	4561	6745	5566	0
Books & Supplies	1200	1200	1200	600
Travel	1535	1535	1535	1000
Personal Exps	1400	1400	1400	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>13076</b>	<b>15260</b>	<b>14081</b>	<b>3260</b>

## One Semester Budget

	<b>M</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>P</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	2190	2190	2190	830
Room & Board	2281	3373	2783	0
Books & Supplies	600	600	600	300
Travel	768	768	768	500
Personal Exps	700	700	700	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6539</b>	<b>7631</b>	<b>7041</b>	<b>1630</b>

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## Non-Resident Student Cost of Attendance Budget (9 Months) 2022-2023

	<b>Q</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>T</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	7500	7500	7500	2500
Room & Board	4561	6745	5566	0
Books & Supplies	1200	1200	1200	600
Travel	1535	1535	1535	1000
Personal Exps	1400	1400	1400	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>16196</b>	<b>18380</b>	<b>17201</b>	<b>4100</b>

## One Semester Budget

	<b>U</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>X</b>
	Dependent w/ parents	Dep NOT w/par Independent	Independent w/ parents	Less than 1/2 time
<b>Expenses</b>				
T & F	3750	3750	3750	1250
Room & Board	2281	3373	2783	0
Books & Supplies	600	600	600	300
Travel	768	768	768	500
Personal Exps	700	700	700	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>8099</b>	<b>9191</b>	<b>8601</b>	<b>2050</b>