



Cost of Attendance Figures for 2026-2027

CU Anschutz Programs

OVERVIEW

U.S. federal immigration regulations require that all F-1 visa applicants prove they have enough funds for the total estimated cost of attending the university and living in the U.S. for at least one academic year.

J-1 visa applicants must show the total cost of attendance for the program dates on their DS-2019. You can multiply your program's estimated cost by the expected number of years in your program as a starting point. ISSS will provide a more precise estimate once you submit your Immigration Document Creation Request. Please [schedule an ISSS advising appointment](#) or [participate in walk-in advising hours](#) if you have additional questions.

ISSS must collect proof of funding from students requesting immigration documents. The proof of funding must confirm that the student has at least the minimum amount of funding to cover estimated tuition, student fees, and living expenses during the required terms for their program.

This minimum amount is called the **estimated cost of attendance** for your program. ISSS must include information about how you plan to cover your estimated cost of attendance on your I-20 or DS-2019. You may also need to provide this proof for your visa interview or change of status application.

These estimated costs are calculated to meet the I-20 and DS-2019 issuance requirements. These estimates are not a guarantee of what you will pay this academic year or during your program.

The total estimated cost includes both direct expenses like tuition and fees, and indirect expenses such as standard estimates for housing, meals, books and supplies, travel, health insurance, and incidental expenses. **Please remember this is an estimate.** Your actual expenses may vary depending on your choices about housing and lifestyle.

Please note that actual costs may increase for future academic years and are otherwise subject to change without notice and may not reflect all costs for every program. **Taking more credit hours may increase the cost of your program.**

Students whose spouse or children will accompany them to the United States must provide proof of how they will cover each family member's living expenses. Children who will be in an F-2 or J-2 status must be unmarried and under the age of 21. Students in 9-month programs should add \$6,750 per year for each dependent family member. Those in 12-month programs should add \$9,000 per year for each dependent.

PROOF OF FUNDING DOCUMENT REQUIREMENTS

The financial document requirements for I-20 and DS-2019 issuance described below align with the U.S. Department of State requirements for granting F-1 and J-1 visas.

Please keep your original documents to present during your F-1 or J-1 visa interview (Canadian and Bermudian students can present their original documents to the immigration official at the port of entry without applying for a visa).

Any document you provide for proof of funding must be under **six months old** and meet our funding document requirements.

TYPES OF ACCEPTABLE FUNDING AND DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

Personal Funding

- Official Bank Statement or Letter (see the requirements for a bank letter on page 4)
- Loan Approval Letter
 - Must clearly state that the loan is fully approved or sanctioned.
 - If not fully approved or sanctioned, must describe outstanding conditions for a full approval or sanction

Family or Other Individual Funding

- Family Member's or Other Individual's Official Bank Statement or Letter (see the requirements for a bank letter on page 4)
- [Financial Commitment Form](#) completed by each family member or other sponsoring individual

Government or Embassy Sponsorship

- Financial Guarantee or Support Letter from Sponsor on official letterhead
 - Sponsored students may need to provide alternative proof of funding while they are waiting for their sponsor to process the official Financial Guarantee or Support Letter.

Scholarship or Financial Aid

- Letter of Scholarship Award
 - Must include the amount of the scholarship
 - Must state how long you will receive the scholarship (one time, per semester, per year, etc.)
- Financial Aid Award Letter from a Department or University Office on official letterhead
 - Must include the amount of the financial aid awarded
 - Must state how long you will receive the aid (one time, per semester, per year, etc.)
 - If covering tuition and fees, the letter must state if the funds will cover health insurance costs
 - If funding is based on a student appointment, the letter must include salary or stipend amount

Employer Sponsorship

- Signed Financial Guarantee Letter from your Employer on official letterhead
 - Must include the amount the employer is pledging to cover
 - Must state how long they will provide the funds (one time, per semester, per year, etc.)
 - Must explain why they are providing these funds
 - Additional financial information may be required if the letter does not meet the requirements.

Other Organization Sponsorship

- Signed Financial Guarantee Letter from the Organization on official letterhead
 - Must include the amount the organization is pledging to cover
 - Must state how long they will provide the funds (one time, per semester, per year, etc.)
 - Must explain why they are providing these funds
 - Additional financial information may be required if the letter does not meet the requirements.

UNACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTS AND FUNDING SOURCES

- Any document that is dated **more than six months** before the submission of your Immigration Document Creation Request
- Screenshots or printouts of an online account taken directly from the browser window (a regular monthly statement downloaded from your online account documents *may* be acceptable)
- Investment accounts such as stocks, lines of credit, bonds, retirement accounts, or any other type of investment funds
- Statements of value for property, land, houses, apartments, or other assets
- Salary, wage, or income statements; tax forms; or insurance policies
- Accounts where it is unclear if the funds are currently accessible (additional documents should be provided to clarify this issue)

AN EXAMPLE OF AN ACCEPTABLE BANK LETTER

A letter issued by a bank for immigration document purposes must contain all the information listed below. **The red numbers on the sample bank letter on the right** correspond with each required item in the list below:

(1) The letter is written in English.

You may submit a word-for-word translation with the original language document if the letter is not in English. An official translation is not required; you can complete the word-for-word translation yourself.

(2) The letter is printed on official bank stationery.

(3) The Issue Date is within six months of the student's Immigration Document Creation Request.

(4) The Name of Account Holder

If the bank letter/statement is for an account held by a business or corporation, provide proof that you or your sponsor may withdraw money from the account. Proof can be in the form of an additional statement on the letter or a separate document showing ownership of the business.

(5) The Account Type

(6) The Account Number

(7) The Exact and Current Available Balance

If you do not wish to disclose the exact balance in the account, indicate that the current available balance is equal to or greater than the amount you must document. For example: a letter can state, "...the current available balance is greater than \$53,000 USD."

(8) The Type of Currency

(9) A Statement that funds are current and liquid

(10) A Signature of a Bank Official AND/OR

(11) A Bank stamp

The sample bank letter is on a light yellow background. At the top left is a blue circular logo of a classical building with columns. To its right, the text "Bank Name | Bank Address" and "Bank Phone | Email" is displayed. A red number "1" is placed to the right of this text. Below the logo is a red number "2". Underneath is the date "Day, Month, Year" with a red number "3" below it. The text "To Whom It May Concern:" is followed by "This letter certifies that Sally Sponsor holds a savings account with account number a234. The current available balance is 20,000 Euros." Red numbers "4", "5", "6", "7", and "8" are placed under "Sally Sponsor", "savings account", "a234", "20,000", and "Euros" respectively. Below this is the sentence "Funds may be withdrawn from this account at any time without penalty." with a red number "9" underneath. The main body of text reads: "This letter has been issued at the request of Sally Sponsor for the purpose of supporting the educational and living expenses of her son, Joe Student, in the United States." Below this is "Sincerely," with a red number "10" underneath. At the bottom left is a blue cursive signature "Bela" with a red number "10" below it. At the bottom right is a yellow circular stamp with a white checkmark inside, with a red number "11" to its left.

COST OF ATTENDANCE ESTIMATES

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO ANSCHUTZ PROGRAMS

Please review the [Cost of Attendance information on the Financial Aid and Scholarships website](#) for additional details about these estimates. Some estimates reflect supplemental information provided by the individual department, school, or college. The health insurance numbers are based on [CU Anschutz Student Insurance Rates](#).

**THESE NUMBERS ARE ONLY AN ESTIMATE OF YOUR PROGRAM COSTS.
THEY ARE NOT A GUARANTEE OF YOUR ACTUAL COSTS AND EXPENSES.
THEY ARE ONLY ESTIMATES REQUIRED TO CREATE AN I-20 OR A DS-2019.**

COLLEGE OF NURSING

Programs	Months of Required Enrollment Per Year	Tuition & Fees	Living Expenses	Books, Supplies, Insurance, & Academic Travel	Total/Year
Traditional BSN	12 Months	\$41,036	\$36,253	\$11,068	\$88,357
Accelerated BSN	12 Months	\$71,776	\$36,253	\$11,068	\$119,097

Graduate Program Cost of Attendance is calculated based on periods of in-person academic requirements.

COLORADO SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Programs	Months of Required Enrollment Per Year	Tuition & Fees	Living Expenses	Books, Supplies, & Insurance	Total/Year
Master of Public Health, Graduate Certificate, and Graduate Non-Degree (20 credits per year)	9 Months	\$32,444	\$26,532	\$7,580	\$66,556
Doctor of Public Health	9 Months	\$14,729	\$26,532	\$7,580	\$48,841

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Tuition Rates are based on 10 credits for 9-month programs and 13 credits for 12-month programs unless otherwise noted.

Programs	Months of Required Enrollment Per Year	Tuition & Fees	Living Expenses	Books, Supplies, & Insurance	Total/Year
<u>Basic Sciences - PhD</u> for programs in this category without a more specific cost listed below.	12 Months	\$16,001	\$35,376	\$7,880	\$59,257
Biomedical Science & Biotechnology - MS	9 Months	\$16,424	\$26,532	\$7,880	\$50,836
Biostatistics, Epidemiology, or Health Services Research - MS	9 Months	\$16,599	\$26,532	\$7,580	\$50,711
Biostatistics, Epidemiology, or Health Services Research - PhD	9 Months	\$14,729	\$26,532	\$7,580	\$48,841
Clinical Science - MS or PhD	12 Months	\$19,914	\$35,376	\$7,880	\$63,170
Genetic Counseling - MS	12 Months	\$42,847	\$35,376	\$7,805	\$86,028
Immunology - PhD (22 credits in Year 1)	12 Months	\$26,351	\$35,376	\$7,880	\$69,607
Integrated Physiology or Microbiology - PhD (23 credits in Year 1)	12 Months	\$26,742	\$35,376	\$7,880	\$69,998
Modern Human Anatomy - MS	12 Months	\$18,588	\$35,376	\$7,880	\$61,844
Neuroscience – PhD (24 credits in Year 1)	12 Months	\$28,651	\$35,376	\$7,880	\$71,907

Programs	Months of Required Enrollment Per Year	Tuition & Fees	Living Expenses	Books, Supplies, & Insurance	Total/Year
Pharmaceutical Sciences - MS	9 Months	\$11,001	\$26,532	\$7,880	\$45,413
Pharmaceutical Sciences, Pharmaceutical Outcomes Research, or Toxicology - PhD	12 Months	\$10,086	\$35,376	\$7,880	\$53,342

SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE

Programs	Months of Required Enrollment Per Year	Tuition & Fees	Living Expenses	Books, Supplies, & Insurance	Total/Year
Doctor of Dental Surgery – Year 1	12 Months	\$77,971	\$35,376	\$20,005	\$133,352
Doctor of Dental Surgery – Year 2	12 Months	\$77,971	\$35,376	\$6,780	\$120,127
Doctor of Dental Surgery – Year 3	12 Months	\$77,971	\$35,376	\$7,630	\$120,977
Doctor of Dental Surgery – Year 4	9 Months	\$77,674	\$26,532	\$10,930	\$115,136
Advanced Standing International Student Program – Year 1	12 Months	\$98,957	\$35,376	\$18,025	\$152,358
Advanced Standing International Student Program – Year 2	12 Months	\$96,744	\$35,376	\$10,075	\$142,195
Advanced Standing International Student Program – Year 3	4 Months	\$33,553	\$13,266	\$2,742	\$49,561
Orthodontics – Year 1	12 Months	\$79,613	\$35,376	\$8,900	\$123,889

Programs	Months of Required Enrollment Per Year	Tuition & Fees	Living Expenses	Books, Supplies, & Insurance	Total/Year
Orthodontics – Year 2	12 Months	\$79,613	\$35,376	\$6,580	\$121,569
Orthodontics – Year 3	9 Months	\$40,035	\$26,532	\$6,580	\$73,147
Periodontics – Year 1	12 Months	\$33,578	\$35,376	\$13,880	\$82,834
Periodontics – Years 2 and 3	12 Months	\$33,578	\$35,376	\$6,580	\$75,534

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Programs	Months of Required Enrollment Per Year	Tuition & Fees	Living Expenses	Books, Supplies, Insurance, & Academic Travel	Total/Year
Anesthesiology – Year 1	12 Months	\$73,676	\$35,376	\$9,580	\$118,632
Anesthesiology – Year 2	12 Months	\$50,436	\$35,376	\$7,580	\$93,392
Anesthesiology – Year 3	4 Months	\$15,563	\$13,266	\$2,742	\$31,571
MD Program – Year 1	12 Months	\$74,486	\$35,376	\$6,827	\$116,689
MD Program – Year 2	12 Months	\$73,103	\$35,376	\$10,052	\$118,531
MD Program – Year 3	12 Months	\$71,760	\$35,376	\$9,202	\$116,338

Programs	Months of Required Enrollment Per Year	Tuition & Fees	Living Expenses	Books, Supplies, Insurance, & Academic Travel	Total/Year
MD Program – Year 4	9 Months	\$70,159	\$26,532	\$9,223	\$105,914
Physical Therapy – Year 1	12 Months	\$64,577	\$35,376	\$7,875	\$107,828
Physical Therapy – Year 2	12 Months	\$67,339	\$35,376	\$7,155	\$109,870
Physical Therapy – Year 3	9 Months	\$17,326	\$26,532	\$3,840	\$47,698
Physician Assistant – Year 1	12 Months	\$56,332	\$35,376	\$9,780	\$101,488
Physician Assistant – Year 2	12 Months	\$54,722	\$35,376	\$8,380	\$98,478
Physician Assistant – Year 3	12 Months	\$52,166	\$35,376	\$9,550	\$97,092

SKAGGS SCHOOL OF PHARMACY AND PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES

Programs	Months of Required Enrollment Per Year	Tuition & Fees*	Living Expenses	Books, Supplies, Academic Travel & Insurance	Total/Year
Doctor of Pharmacy – Year 1	9 Months	\$42,019	\$26,532	\$6,580	\$75,131
Doctor of Pharmacy – Year 2	9 Months	\$42,019	\$26,532	\$7,820	\$76,371
Doctor of Pharmacy – Year 3	9 Months	\$42,019	\$26,532	\$7,630	\$76,181
Doctor of Pharmacy – Year 4	12 Months	\$42,316	\$35,376	\$8,865	\$86,557

North American and Internationally Trained PharmD Cost of Attendance calculated based on periods of in-person academic requirements.

DEPENDENT LIVING EXPENSES

If a spouse or child will join you as an F-2 or J-2 dependent, you must provide proof that you can cover each dependent's living expenses.

For each F-2 dependent, include the estimated living expenses for each month you must enroll at CU Denver during your first academic year.

For each J-2 dependent, multiply the estimated monthly expenses by the estimated number of months in your entire degree program. For partial months, please round up to the next whole month.

Estimated Monthly Expenses	\$750
9-Month Estimate	\$6,750
12-Month Estimate	\$9,000