

F-1 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ESTIMATED EXPENSES

In order to receive a SEVIS I-20, which is needed to obtain an F-1 student visa, College of DuPage is required by U.S. federal immigration regulations to maintain records that demonstrate that you (the student) have at least the funds necessary to cover your tuition, fees, and living expenses for your first year of study. Tuition for all F-1 International students will be assessed at the out-of-state tuition rate, which is currently **\$394** per credit hour. Please note that the tuition rate may change without notice, and it is best to plan accordingly.

All international F-1 students are required to enroll each semester for a minimum of 12 credit hours. The table below shows the cost of tuition for one academic year if the student is registered each semester for the minimum requirement of 12 credit hours. Any additional credit hours that an F-1 student registers for will be calculated at 1 credit hour (x) **\$394**.

	Academic Year (9 months)
Tuition and Fees	\$9,456
Books and Supplies	\$1,384
Health Insurance	\$1,496
Living Expenses*	\$8,574
Total Expense	\$20,910

**Living expenses will need to be calculated at a 5% higher rate if the student plans to live on their own and not with a family member. Please note that these figures are estimates and are subject to change without notice.*

The proper financial documentation may consist of either a bank account statement or a letter written by a financial institution on official letterhead indicating current account balance. The balance on the account statement or letter must demonstrate the minimum required amount as shown above on the “Total Expense” line. The financial documentation must be dated within five months. If providing a Business account, you will need to provide two forms of documentation. We will need an original Business account statement and also a letter issued directly from the banking institution indicating the name of the Business account holder.

The funds must be “liquid assets” such as checking or savings accounts. Income tax forms or letters of employment are not acceptable. If the currency is not in U.S. dollars (USD) the exchange rate for USD must be listed. All documentation must be certified, signed and stamped by a bank official. No photocopies, scanned copies, online printouts or faxes will be accepted. It is crucial for students to submit their financial letters with their application if they wish to receive notification of admission in the timeliest manner possible.

If you are receiving government financial aid or will take a student loan from your home country, you must submit an original document verifying those funds. Please be aware that College of DuPage does not offer financial assistance to international students.

Strict Immigration regulations severely restrict the employment of foreign nationals residing in the United States. Therefore, you must have adequate finances to support yourself while you are a student at College of DuPage. On-campus employment is possible for F-1 International students; however opportunities may be limited.