

THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

2014-2015 Recommended Standard Student Budget Ranges

STANDARD STUDENT BUDGET RANGES	With Parents			On-Campus Housing			Off-Campus Housing		
	CSAC Standard	CSU Minimum	CSU Maximum	CSAC Standard	CSU Minimum	CSU Maximum	CSAC Standard	CSU Minimum	CSU Maximum
NINE MONTHS (Academic Year)									
(Food)							(3,699)	(3,523) -	(4,078)
(Housing)							(7,794)	(7,161) -	(8,973)
Food and Housing	\$4,599	\$4,599 -	\$4,599 ⁽¹⁾		Actual Amount	⁽²⁾	\$11,493	\$10,684 -	\$13,051 ⁽³⁾
Transportation	1,134	652 -	1,495 ⁽⁴⁾	864	593 -	1,390 ⁽⁵⁾	1,278	738 -	1,457 ⁽⁵⁾
Miscellaneous Personal	3,132	1,365 -	1,365	2,295	1,365 -	1,365	2,871	1,365 -	1,365
Books and Supplies	1,746	1,288 -	1,827	1,746	1,288 -	1,827	1,746	1,288 -	1,827
Fees		Actual Amount			Actual Amount			Actual Amount	
Dependent/Child Care Allowance	Reasonable expenses with adequate documentation based on the number and ages of student's dependents.								
MONTHLY SUBSISTENCE									
(Food)							(411)	(391) -	(453)
(Housing)							(866)	(796) -	(997)
Food and Housing	\$511	\$511 -	\$511		Actual Amount	⁽²⁾	\$1,277	\$1,187 -	\$1,450
Transportation (4)	126	72 -	166	96	66 -	154	142	82 -	162
Miscellaneous Personal	348	152 -	152	255	152 -	152	319	152 -	152
Total Per Month	\$985	\$735 -	\$829	\$351	\$218 -	\$306	\$1,738	\$1,421 -	\$1,764

- (1) Represents cost of meals and basic expenses which the parents continue to provide while the student lives at home with parents and the student's expenses for meals away from home.
- (2) The contract cost should be adjusted to a 21-meal per week basis. If less than a nine-month contract, an adjustment of up to \$511 or a fraction thereof may be made for dependent students.
An adjustment up to the standard off-campus allowance per month or a fraction thereof may be made for independent students.
- (3) Based on 2006-2007 SEARS data; separate allowances for food and housing (adjusted for inflation) are shown in parentheses.
- (4) Represents allowance for student's transportation to and from classes and work (bus fare, gasoline, tolls, parking, etc.) Does not include vehicle payments, insurance, repairs, or license fees.
- (5) Represents allowance for student's transportation to and from classes and work (bus fare, gasoline, tolls, parking, etc.) and transportation between residence while at college and parents' permanent residence. Does not include vehicle payments, insurance, repairs, or license fees.