

THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

2016-2017 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)							(3,915)	(3,673) -	(4,251)
(Housing)							(8,577)	(7,686) -	(9,631)
Food and Housing	\$4,968	\$4,968 -	\$4,968 ⁽¹⁾		Actual Amount ⁽²⁾		\$12,492	\$11,359 -	\$13,882 ⁽³⁾
Transportation	1,107	675 -	1,549 ⁽⁴⁾	837	614 -	1,439 ⁽⁵⁾	1,242	765 -	1,509 ⁽⁵⁾
Miscellaneous Personal	3,177	1,416 -	1,416	2,331	1,416 -	1,416	2,916	1,416 -	1,416
Books and Supplies	1,791	1,339 -	1,899	1,791	1,339 -	1,899	1,791	1,339 -	1,899
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)							(435)	(408) -	(472)
(Housing)							(953)	(854) -	(1,070)
Food and Housing	\$552	\$552 -	\$552		Actual Amount ⁽²⁾		\$1,388	\$1,262 -	\$1,542
Transportation (4)	123	75 -	172	93	68 -	160	138	85 -	168
Miscellaneous Personal	353	157 -	157	259	157 -	157	324	157 -	157
Total Per Month	\$1,028	\$784 -	\$881	\$352	\$226 -	\$317	\$1,850	\$1,504 -	\$1,867

(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 \$552 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.