

A cost of attendance (COA) is the estimated educational expenses a student may incur while attending CWC. The Department of Education has established guidelines that are followed in calculating allowable educational expenses. Students may only receive financial aid up to their estimated cost of attendance. **The estimated cost of attendance is NOT a bill from the school.**

Each year, the financial aid office develops an estimated cost of attendance that considers inflation rates and economic adjustments for each component. For the 2026-2027 school year, the cost of attendance includes components for tuition and fees, books, course materials, supplies and equipment, housing, food (up to 3 meals/day), transportation, and miscellaneous personal expenses. Students who have accepted and are receiving loans will have a loan fee of \$19 added to their cost of attendance per semester. For students who are in Dental Assistant, Medical Assistant, ADN Nursing, and Computer Technology a \$102 fee is added to their cost of attendance for the obtaining a license, certification, or a first professional credential. Listed below are the estimated cost of attendance components for this school year and are based on 15 credits per semester for two semesters. A student's actual expenses may vary depending on enrollment, academic program and living arrangements.

Adjustments may be made to a student's COA on a case by case basis through a Professional Judgement by the Director of Financial Aid. This process is done by completing the Special Circumstance form, which may be obtained from the Financial Aid Office, and submitting it back to the Financial Aid Office along with requested documentation. Circumstances for which these adjustments may be considered are: Child or dependent care expenses, severe disability expenses for the student or a household member for which the student supports, or medical, dental, or nursing home expenses not covered by insurance. ***Approved COA adjustments do not provide additional aid but rather provides an increased limit for which a student may receive financial aid.***

Central Wyoming College participates in the **Western Undergraduate Exchange Program (WUE)** ** and students from the following states qualify for a reduction in tuition rates: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, Republic of Marshall Islands, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Commonwealth of Northern Marianas Islands. Although Nebraska isn't considered a WUE state, students are currently granted the same WUE tuition rate.

Estimate of 2025-2026 Cost of Attendance (<i>on-campus, 15 credits, 2 semesters</i>)			
	In-State Resident	WUE ** Resident	Out of State Resident
Tuition and general fees	\$5,160	\$6,840	\$11,880
Books, course materials, supplies, equipment	\$1,280	\$1,280	\$1,280
Housing	\$5,200	\$5,200	\$5,200
Food	\$4,352	\$4,352	\$4,352
Transportation	\$1,863	\$1,863	\$1,863
Miscellaneous Personal Expenses	\$1,647	\$1,647	\$1,647
TOTAL FOR 2 SEMESTERS – living on-campus	\$19,502	\$21,182	\$26,222

Estimate of 2025-2026 Cost of Attendance (<i>off-campus, 15 credits, 2 semesters</i>)				
	In-State Resident lives w/parents	In-State Resident	WUE ** Resident	Out of State Resident
Tuition and general fees	\$5,160	\$5,160	\$6,840	\$11,880
Books, course materials, supplies, equipment	\$1,280	\$1,280	\$1,280	\$1,280
Housing	\$2,673	\$10,719	\$10,719	\$10,719
Food	\$4,131	\$4,131	\$4,131	\$4,131
Transportation	\$1,863	\$1,863	\$1,863	\$1,863
Miscellaneous Personal Expenses	\$1,647	\$1,647	\$1,647	\$1,647
TOTAL FOR 2 SEMESTERS – living off campus	\$16,754	\$24,800	\$26,480	\$31,520