

## Welcome to Florida State University!

Please use our [Budget Worksheet](#) as a tool to help anticipate your educational expenses. We have included some step by step instructions for completing the budget worksheet below. Please note that the numbers on the instructions correlate to the numbers on the budget worksheet.

**This worksheet is editable. You can type in your information and your total estimated aid, savings, and cost will be calculated accordingly.**

### Directions for completing the Budget Worksheet

1. **Scholarships** – Please list any scholarship or waiver of tuition fees that you will be receiving. This includes scholarships and waivers awarded to you by Florida State, the state of Florida, or private entities. Since many Florida residents qualify for one of the Bright Futures scholarships offered by the state of Florida, we have provided the estimated rate per credit hour of these two awards to help you determine the amount to list. The actual award amount is determined annually by the Florida legislature and what we have provided as an estimate is the amount for the current year. To determine your Bright Futures estimate, multiply the per credit amount listed for the scholarship type you have earned by the number of credit hours that you expect to take.  
**Note:** Bright Futures can only be received during the first term of your graduate program, if you have maintained your eligibility and have remaining hours. Bright futures is paid out at the undergraduate rate.
2. **Grants** – Please list any grant that you will be receiving. These grants and the award amount will be listed on your financial aid award letter that is available in your MyFSU student portal.
3. **Loans** – Please list any loan you will be using to meet your college costs. The Stafford loans are listed in your Financial Aid Award letter available in your MyFSU student portal.
4. **Per Semester Financial Aid** – Add the amounts listed to determine your Fall semester and Spring semester award amounts.
5. **Florida Pre-paid** – The Florida Pre-paid Program is a college savings program that pays a set percentage of the tuition and fees that you are assessed. The actual value of the Florida Pre-paid program is based upon the type of program you have and the actual cost of tuition which is set annually by the Florida legislature. The estimate provided is the per credit hour value of the Pre-paid program this year. Please use this estimate and multiply it by the number of hours you expect to take to determine the amount to list. We recommend that students take 15 credit hours per semester.
6. **Other** – Please list any other monetary resources that you, or others on your behalf, may be planning to contribute to your educational expenses.
7. **Per Semester Personal College Savings** - Add the amounts listed to determine your Fall semester and Spring semester award amounts.
8. **Graduate Tuition** – Tuition costs are set annually by the Florida legislature. The estimate provided is the per credit cost this year. Please use this estimate and multiply it by the number of hours you expect to take to determine the amount to list.
9. **Graduate Fees** – There are a variety of fees that are assessed along with tuition. They will vary depending upon a number of factors. The estimate provided is an estimate of the per credit hour cost of fees. Please use this estimate and multiply it by the number of hours you expect to take to determine the amount to list.

10. **Housing** – Please list the amount you expect to spend for your housing accommodations while at Florida State. We have listed an estimated per semester cost if your actual costs have yet to be determined.
11. **Dining** – Please list the amount you expect to spend for food while at Florida State. We have listed an estimated per semester cost if your actual costs have yet to be determined.
12. **Books/Supplies** - Please list the amount you expect to spend for books/supplies while at Florida State. We have listed an estimated per semester cost if your actual costs have yet to be determined.
13. **Health Insurance** – Florida State requires all of its students to have health insurance coverage. If you are not currently covered, you will need to purchase a Student Health Insurance policy. The estimated per semester cost for a Student Health insurance policy is provided.
14. **Per Semester Estimated Expenses** - Add the amounts listed to determine your Fall semester and Spring semester award amounts.
15. **Annual Estimated Expenses** - Add the amounts listed for the Fall semester to the amounts listed for the Spring semester to determine your annual Expenses.
16. **Annual Estimated Financial Aid and Savings** – Add the amounts listed for the Fall semester to the amounts listed for the Spring semester to determine your annual Financial Aid and Savings.
17. **Annual Estimated Cost of Attendance** – Subtract your Annual Estimated Financial Aid and Savings amount from your Annual Estimated Expenses to determine your annual estimated cost of attendance.