

Financial Planning Guide

This worksheet helps you assess your scholarship eligibility, estimate your out-of-pocket expenses, and explore options for covering those costs. Note that the figures below may change based on your acceptance, final transcript, and FAFSA information.

Estimated Direct Cost 2026-2027		\$40,900/year
Tuition		\$27,350
Fees		\$1,200
Housing and Meals (double room)		\$12,350
Books (estimated \$20/credit hour)	_____	
Additional Course Fees	_____	
Athletic Fee (if applicable)	_____	

State Scholarship & Grant Eligibility



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Estimated Financial Aid Awards	
Federal Grant	
Pell Grant (eligibility based on FAFSA)	_____
State Grants & Scholarships	
LIFE Scholarship	_____
SC Tuition Grant (eligibility based on FAFSA)	_____
Estimated CIU Scholarships	
<i>CIU scholarships are awarded after state and federal aid</i>	
Merit Scholarship (based on unweighted GPA)	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
<i>Federal, State, and CIU scholarships are not to exceed full tuition</i>	
Total Financial Aid Awards	= \$ _____/year
Estimated Balance After Aid	= \$ _____/year

Federal Student Aid Information & FAFSA

CIU FAFSA Code: 003429



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CIU Grants & Scholarships



ciu.edu/aid

Options to Pay Estimated Balance	
Optional Federal Loans	
Federal Direct Subsidized Loan (Before FAFSA)	\$3,500
Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan (Before FAFSA)	\$2,000
Total Loan Amount	\$5,500
Additional Options to Pay Estimated Balance	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CIU Payment Plan • Outside Scholarships 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal Parent PLUS Loan • Non-Federal Private Education Loan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Military Benefits • College Savings Plan 	

- Benefits Included in Your Cost:**
- Unlimited tutoring
 - All access dining plan
 - \$200 for campus café
 - Laundry
 - Parking
 - Fitness Center, sand volleyball, disc golf, walking trails, fishing ponds, and more!