

BUDGET INCREASE REQUEST FORM

The student budget is developed in accordance with federal guidelines to allow for standard education-related expenses that most students experience. The University does understand that some students may have expenses that are higher than the standard budget.

Students should consult with the Law Financial Aid Office to determine whether a specific expense can be included in their budget. When practical, students are encouraged to speak with our office prior to incurring the expense.

We will review your request to determine if you have expenses that are reasonable and qualify according to federal regulations and University policy, but are not included in the standard budget. The University is subject to the constraints imposed by the Department of Education in allowing expenses that meet the following criteria:

- Directly related to the student's education
- Incurred during the academic year
- Properly documented (receipt, invoice, lease, etc.)

THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTS THE STANDARD FULL-TIME BUDGET FOR THE 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR:

TUITION	\$73,024
FEES	\$1,558
ROOM & BOARD	\$20,250
PERSONAL	\$3,292
TRANSPORTATION	\$1,120
BOOKS & SUPPLIES	\$1,462
DIRECT LOAN FEE	\$214
TOTAL	\$100,920 (3L's see below)

For 3L's: We are required to include the bar exam fee in our cost of attendance. For 2026-27, we are adding a bar exam fee of \$912. Your standard Cost of Attendance will be \$101,832.

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NOTE: The information provided on this worksheet will be used to review your request for a budget increase. **This worksheet is not an official request for any type of financial aid.** Should your request be approved, you may apply for a federal or private loan. Scholarships are not awarded for an increase in the student budget.

REASON FOR INCREASE	STUDENT COST	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED
Rent	\$ /month	✓ Copy of lease or rental agreement (<i>cap is \$2,615 per month</i>)
BU Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)	\$	✓ Documentation not required for BU health insurance
Computer Purchase	\$	✓ Receipt (\$2,500 cap for law school)
Moving Expenses (1L's only)	\$	✓ Receipts for flight, truck rental (incl. gas, tolls, food, lodging) ✓ Receipts for shipping personal belongings ✓ Comprehensive itemization of all expenses
Interview Expenses	\$	✓ Receipts for travel, professional attire (\$600 cap for clothing) ✓ Comprehensive itemization of all expenses, per trip
Child Care	\$	✓ Receipts from non-family sitter or day care center
Other: _____	\$	✓ Include documentation/receipts of other expense

I certify that the information provided on this form is accurate. I understand that submitting a budget increase request does not guarantee an increase to the standard student budget.

Name: _____ BU ID: _____

Last First MI

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

<u>OFFICE USE ONLY</u>	<i>Original/Prior COA</i>	\$
<i>Notes:</i>	<i>Total Budget Increase</i>	\$
	<i>Total New/Revised COA</i>	\$
	<i>Additional Loan Eligibility (w/o fees)</i>	\$
<i>Fall Amount:</i>	<i>Initials / Date:</i>	Legacy? (Y/N)
<i>Spring Amount:</i>		