## 2012-2013 LASFAA STUDENT COST OF ATTENDANCE BUDGETS FOR ALL TITLE IV ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

(Prepared by LASFAA Budget Committee)

In preparing the proposed budgets for the 2012-2013 award year, the LASFAA Budget Committee made changes to the Room and Board, Personal/Miscellaneous, and Transportation figures used in the 2011-2012 recommended budgets\*. The committee performed an informal survey of 24 day care centers in order to provide an appropriate recommendation for the Dependent Care expense. The LASFAA Budget Committee recommends that the allowance for Book and Supply expenses remain the same for the 2012-2013. Actual tuition and fees are to be determined by each institution. Please refer to the Cost of Attendance information from the 2011-2012 Federal Student Aid Handbooks for tips on budget construction (Calculating Awards & Packaging – Volume 3, Chapter 2).

\*According to the U.S. Department of Labor – Bureau of Labor Statistics, in reference to the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers for the 12 month period ending August, 2011, all items increased by 3.8 percent. As a result, the committee made changes to the COA amounts because College costs have increased in the last year.

Living with Parents w/o Dependent Children (enrolled at least half-time)	Living with Parents w/ Dependent Children (enrolled at least half-time)	
Tuition Actual Tuition & Fees for full time students determined by each institution	Tuition Actual Tuition & Fees for full time students determined by each institution	
Room & Board \$3,075.00	Room & Board \$4,956.00	
Books & Supplies \$1,200.00	Books & Supplies \$1,200.00	
Transportation \$1,657.00	Transportation \$1,657.00	
Personal/Miscellaneous \$1,909.00	Personal/Miscellaneous \$1,909.00	
	Dependent Care \$4,272.00	

Living On-Campus W/O Dependent Children (enrolled at least half-time)		Living On-Campus w/ Dependent Children (enrolled at least half-time)	
Tuition Actual Tuition & Fees for full time students determined by each institution		Tuition Actual Tuition & Fees for full time students determined by each institution	
Room & Board	Average dorm cost determined by each institution	Room & Board	Average cost of married student housing determined by each institution
Books & Supplies  Transportation	\$1,200.00 \$1,089.00	Books & Supplies	\$1,200.00
Personal/Miscellaneous \$1,909.00	Transportation  Personal/Miscellaneo	\$1,089.00	
		Dependent Care	\$4,272.00

Living Off-Campus, Not w/ Parents (enrolled at least half-time)	Less than Half-Time	
Tuition Actual Tuition & Fees for full time students determined by each institution	Tuition Actual Tuition & Fees for full time students determined by each institution	
Room & Board \$8642.00	Books & Supplies \$600.00	
Books & Supplies \$1,200.00	Transportation \$1657.00	
Transportation \$1,657.00	Dependent Care \$4272.00	
Personal/Miscellaneous \$1,909.00		
Dependent Care \$4,272.00		

## Notes:

- LASFAA adopts these standard budgets as upper limits. These budgets should be
  accepted by all undergraduate and proprietary schools. Professional schools and schools
  with special cases could use higher budgets as needed based on professional judgment
  and proper documentation. As always, Financial Aid Administrators may make
  adjustments to the Cost of Attendance to allow for treatment of students with special
  circumstances, including dependent care.
- All of these budgets are based on nine months. Use these budgets for all Title IV programs, including Federal Pell Grant.
- Federal Student Loan Fees may be added to the student's cost of attendance by each institution by either using an average amount or an actual loan fee figure.
- Effective October 1, 1998, as a result of reauthorization, a reasonable allowance for the documented rental or purchase of a personal computer can be included as part of this allowance.
- Effective October 1, 1998, the minimum allowance for students living with parent(s) and students living off-campus but not with parent(s) have been removed.

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