

## **General Cost of Living Budget Breakdown**

## Cost of Living (COL) Budget: Housing

**Rent:** \$1,130/mo

Utilities: \$290/mo

• Your share of electricity, gas, water, internet, trash pick-up, and other monthly utilities.

Food: \$800/mo

#### **Cost of Living: Transportation**

**Transportation budget:** \$350/mo

- Auto Registration (we calculate the monthly cost)
- Auto Insurance
- Parking Permit (we calculate the monthly cost)
- Gas
- Oil Changes/Required repairs (we calculate the monthly cost)

#### **Cost of Living: Miscellaneous Expenses**

Monthly personal expenses: \$350/mo

• Expenses include cell, laundry, miscellaneous personal expenses, clothing, entertainment, professional attire, COM Disability.



## **Books and Supplies: Budget breakdown per year**

**MS1:** 

Books, Supplies, Medical Equipment: \$800/year

Computer: \$1,300/year

**MS2:** 

**Books and supplies:** \$1,450/year

**Step 1:** \$670/year

MS3

**Books and Supplies:** \$1,450/year **Step 2 & CS Exam:** \$670/year

**MS4:** \$750/year

## **Other Expenses**

**Medical Insurance**: \$2,770/year

Loan Fees: \$500/year



# O Unallowable Expenses

Category	Examples
Luxury items	Vacations, designer clothing, electronics
	not needed for school
Entertainment	Concerts, club memberships, streaming
	subscriptions (Netflix, Spotify, etc.)
Vehicle purchase	Car payments, purchase of a car
Child expenses (non-educational)	Private school tuition for dependents,
	undocumented childcare
Legal fees	Traffic tickets, court costs, fines, bail
Credit card debt	Paying off unrelated personal debt
Cosmetic procedures	Elective surgery not medically necessary
	(e.g., Botox, braces for appearance)
Non-program-related supplies	Tools or books not required by your course
	syllabus
Gambling	Lottery tickets, casino expenses
Gifts	Presents, donations, weddings, birthdays
Housing for others	Rent/mortgage for family members or
	dependents, home repairs
Moving Expenses or Furniture	
Pet expenses	Pet food, vet bills, grooming