

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST

EXPENSE ESTIMATE FOR THE 2008/2009 ACADEMIC YEAR

International Graduate Students

This expense estimate should be used in planning a budget for graduate-level students who are applying to study at UMass/Amherst during the 2008/2009 academic year:

	<u>Subtotals</u>
UNIVERSITY FEES⁸	
Tuition ^{1,2}	\$8,300.
Curriculum Fee ²	\$7,450.
Registration Fees ⁵	\$1,400.
<i>Compulsory</i> Basic Health Insurance ^{2,3}	\$650.
Supplementary Accident/Hospitalization Insurance ^{2,4}	\$2,200.
	\$20,000.
ON-CAMPUS LIVING COSTS	
Residence Hall Rent (including Residence Hall Telecommunications fee)	\$4,500.
Dining Hall Meal Plan (14 meals/week)	\$ 3,400.
	\$7,900.
SUMMER/WINTER LIVING EXPENSES (Jan. and June-Aug.)⁶	
Residence Hall	\$1,300.
Dining Hall Meal Plan	\$ 1,400.
	\$2,700.
MISCELLANEOUS⁷	
(books, supplies, laundry, etc)	\$2,200.
	\$2,200.
Total:	\$32,800.

Students who will be accompanied by their families should add \$5,500 for the first dependent, and \$3,000 for any additional dependants.

IMPORTANT NOTES!

1. Tuition is billed on a per credit basis and this estimate is based on a student registered for 9-10 credits per semester. The maximum tuition is currently \$9937(2007-2008 academic year).
2. Fee waived for students with Teaching or Research Assistantship (stipend of at least \$6000/year)
3. The **Basic Health Insurance** fee is *compulsory* and *cannot* be waived, regardless of any other insurance coverage which a student arranges! As indicated above (in "Urgent Insurance Information"), students must also have the required supplementary accident/hospitalization insurance in addition to the compulsory Basic Insurance.
4. In accordance with Massachusetts law, students are required to have accident/hospitalization insurance which meets certain specific, minimum requirements. To comply with these requirements, students must enroll in the UMass supplementary student insurance plan in addition to the compulsory Basic Health Fee (which allows students access to the university's infirmary).
5. The **Registration Fees** listed here reflect our estimate of the *total combined cost* of all other mandatory fees, such as the Grad Senate Tax and the Service Fee.
6. The **Prince Residence Hall** (for graduate students) is billed for nine months of the year. Students who wish to remain during the summer will need to apply and pay **additional rent**.
7. Our estimate for Miscellaneous Costs includes expenses such as books, academic supplies, laundry, long-distance telephone charges, and some entertainment. However, it is a *minimal* estimate and costs may be considerably higher, depending upon a student's personal spending habits!
8. There is a one time Graduate Entering Fee of \$332.00. Full-time Engineering Students are charged an additional \$160.00 per semester.

This is an **estimate** and includes some fee increases which are expected for the 2008/09 academic year but have not yet been specified. Students should know that the actual fees could be 5-10% more than indicated here.