

A NEW JACK'S GUIDE TO COLLEGE EXPENSES AT SDSTATE



SOUTH DAKOTA
STATE UNIVERSITY

Time spent at SDState is time well spent. And if you use your time here to take advantage of the exceptional educational and experiential opportunities we offer, money spent at SDState is money well spent, too.

It's no secret that college is a big expense. It's also a really big investment in your future. Knowing how to financially plan for that investment is extremely important, and we want to help make that planning process a little easier.

MY COLLEGE EXPENSES

College is more than just courses, clickers and books. Make sure to think about and budget for all of the expenses that come with the college experience. Here are some of our suggestions:



TUITION



BOOKS &
SUPPLIES



HOUSING



FOOD



TRANSPORTATION &
PARKING



STUDY
ABROAD



LAUNDRY



TECHNOLOGY



MEMBERSHIP &
ACTIVITY FEES



CLOTHING &
PERSONAL
NECESSITIES



FUN &
ENTERTAINMENT



WHAT
ELSE...?

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- College expenses
- Part-time jobs & work-study
- 2025-2026 tuition & fees
- SDState cost estimate worksheet
- Bill payment guidelines
- Financial aid quick facts

PART-TIME & WORK-STUDY JOBS

Both the SDState campus community and Brookings community offer numerous part-time job opportunities to students who want a source of income to put toward college and other living expenses. Here are a few things to know as you start to explore your options for working while attending school.

WORK-STUDY

This type of financial aid is awarded to qualifying students who meet the eligibility criteria based on their completed FAFSA. Work-study students have the opportunity to earn money by working a part-time job on campus. Students who are awarded work-study are responsible for obtaining employment by searching for work-study eligible positions on Handshake, the online job site provided to students by the Career Development Office. Some jobs are open only to students who have been awarded work-study. Before applying for work-study only jobs, verify for your eligibility with the Office of Financial Aid by calling 605-688-4695.

PART-TIME JOBS

Students searching for part-time jobs, including those that are work-study eligible, have several resource options:

Job Postings on Handshake. Provided by the Career Development Office at sdstate.joinhandshake.com/login. Use your MyState username and password to sign in using the blue Sign On button. Please note: To access your Handshake account, you will need to allow two business days after you have registered for classes. Questions? Email Careers@sdstate.edu.

South Dakota Department of Labor site. Search jobs at southdakotaworks.org.

Part-time Job Fair. Each fall the Career Development Office and hosts a free part-time job fair for all students. More than 40 campus and community employers attend with the goal of meeting and hiring student-employees. This year, the fair will be held September 3 from 3:30-5:30pm in the Union Volstorff Ballroom.

Campus Offices. Contact specific offices on campus to ask about student-employment opportunities.

SDSU CAREER DEVELOPMENT

The Career Development Office at SDState assists students from their first year through graduate school and SDSU Alumni. In addition to major and career exploration and preparation services, the office helps connect students to campus, community and regional employers who have available opportunities for seasonal, internship and entry-level positions. Throughout the academic year, the office also coordinates several additional job and internship fairs that are specific to academic majors and career interests. Students are also encouraged to search for positions on Handshake at sdstate.joinhandshake.com/login.

Career Development Office

University Student Union 136
Phone: (605) 688-4425
Web: careers.sdstate.edu
email: careers@sdstate.edu



MY SEMESTER COSTS

Your finalized bill will be available on your Student Account Self Service portal through mystate.sdstate.edu a few weeks before the beginning of the semester. In the meantime, we want to help you estimate what your semester costs will be.

Visit <https://www.sdstate.edu/admissions/tuition-fees> for further information regarding tuition and fees at SDState.

TUITION + FEES [ON-CAMPUS COURSES]

Tuition Rate (see rates top of page 3): Cost per credit: \$ _____ +
General Activity Fee [GAF]: Cost per credit: \$ 51.85 =
Subtotal per credit: \$ _____ x (No. of credits) _____ = **Subtotal A** \$ _____

TUITION [ONLINE COURSES]

Note: there is no GAF for online courses. Cost per credit: \$ 365.05 x (No. of credits) _____ = **Subtotal B** \$ _____

SPECIAL DISCIPLINE FEES *(see chart at right, does not apply to online courses)*

Discipline Fee 1: Cost per credit or course = \$ _____ X Credits (if per credit) _____ = \$ _____ +

Discipline Fee 2: Cost per credit or course = \$ _____ X Credits (if per credit) _____ = \$ _____ +

Discipline Fee 3: Cost per credit or course = \$ _____ X Credits (if per credit) _____ = \$ _____ +

Discipline Fee 4: Cost per credit or course = \$ _____ X Credits (if per credit) _____ = \$ _____ +

Discipline Fee 5: Cost per credit or course = \$ _____ X Credits (if per credit) _____ = \$ _____

Subtotal C \$ _____

PARKING PERMIT *(see chart at right)*

Subtotal D \$ _____

RESIDENCE HALL *(see chart at right)*

Subtotal E \$ _____

MEAL PLAN *(see chart at right)*

Subtotal F \$ _____

FINANCIAL AID + SCHOLARSHIPS:

Half of your total aid for the academic year

Aid Total \$ _____

MY BILLING ESTIMATE:

Add subtotals A through F \$ _____ and subtract Aid Total \$ _____ = Semester Estimate \$ _____

Tuition [ON-CAMPUS COURSES]

SD Resident, Child of Alumni:	\$266.60/CR
SD Advantage CO, IA, IL, KS, MN, MO, MT, ND, NE, WY):	\$266.60/CR
Nonresident:	\$387.00/CR

SPECIAL DISCIPLINE FEES (PER CREDIT [CR] OR SEMESTER [SEM])

Below is a summary of most course fees an undergraduate student might incur.

Ag & Bio Engineering [ABE, ABME, AST, PRAG]	\$89.05/CR
Animal & Veterinary Science [AS, VET]	\$65.70/CR
Architecture [ARCH]	\$475.65/CR
Art & Design [ART, ARTD, ARTE, DSGN, GDES]	\$27.65/CR
Aviation [AVIA]	\$42.85/CR
Biology/Microbiology [BIOL/MICR]	\$44.45/CR
Chemistry [CHEM]	\$54.10/CR
Computer Science [CSC, CSS, INFO]	\$74.10/CR
Counseling & Human Resource Development [CHRD]	\$26.80/CR
Dairy & Food Science [DS, FS]	\$83.95/CR
Business [ACCT, AGE, BADM, ECON, ENTR, FIN, HMG, MGMT, MKTG]	\$30.90/CR
Engineering [CEE, CM, EE, EM, ET, GE, ME, MNET, OM, SE]	\$89.05/CR
Health & Wellness [AT, HLTH, HNS or EXS, PE, RECR, WEL]	\$21.70/CR
Interior & Landscape Design [ID, LA]	\$30.25/CR
Mass Communications [ADV, MCOM, PUBR]	\$20.00/CR
Math & Statistics [MATH, STAT]	\$44.45/CR
Medical Laboratory Science [MLS]	On-Campus \$135.80/CR
Medical Laboratory Science [MLS]	Off-Campus \$141.86/CR
Music & Theatre [DANC, MUAP, MUEN, MUS, THEA]	\$27.65/CR
Natural Resource Management [BOT, EES, NRM, WL]	\$21.60/CR
Nursing & Health Science [NURS, HSC]	\$108.70/CR
Nutrition [NFS, NUTR]	\$30.25/CR
Operations Management [OM]	\$89.05/CR
Pharmacy [PHA]	\$213.20/CR
PharmD	\$4882.00/SEM
Physics [NE, PHYS]	\$89.05/CR
Range Science [RANG]	\$47.85/CR
Respiratory Care [RESP]	\$53.95/CR
Sciences [AFES, BIOS, GEOG, HO, PS]	\$21.60/CR



PARKING PERMIT (SCHOOL YEAR)

Economy Resident or Commuter	\$51
Resident or Commuter	\$165
Motorcycle	\$37

MEAL PLAN (PER SEMESTER)

50-Block (default freshman plan), 100-Block	\$1784
Premier	\$2332

Upper-division students may choose from freshmen plans or from the options listed below.

Silver Flex	\$1784
Bronze Flex	\$1585
West Flex	\$923

[HS grad 2022 or before living on west side]

RESIDENCE HALL (PER SEMESTER)

Binnewies, Pierson, Young (double/single)	\$2326/3102
Mathews (double/single)	\$2485/3318
Brown (double/single)	\$2721/3493
Hansen, Waneta (double/single)	\$2110/3036
Abbott, Spencer, Thorne (double/single)	\$3280/4099
Caldwell (double/single)	\$3280/4099
Ben Reifel, Honors, Hyde, Schultz (double/single)	\$3438/4060
Ben Reifel (triple)	\$2826
Meadows Apartments	\$3280
Southeast Apartments (per month 1-bedroom/2-bedroom)	\$1012/780
Southeast Apartments (per month 3-bedroom/4-bedroom)	\$686/630
Southeast Town House (per month)	\$696

BILLING & PAYMENT

Students will be able to view their bills a few weeks prior to classes starting. Once detailed billing statements are posted, an email notification will be sent to students' Jacks accounts.

BILL PAYMENT

Bills must be paid in full by the second week after classes start each semester. Due dates can be found at sdstate.edu/cashiers-office.

PAYMENT DUE DATES

Summer 2025: June 10, 2025

Spring 2026: January 22, 2026

Fall 2025: September 5, 2025

SDEPAY

The electronic billing and payment system for SDState. Students access SDePay through Student Account Billing Self Service on mystate.sdstate.edu and can:

- Add authorized payers
- Pay their SDState bill by eCheck (free) or debit/credit card (2.85% fee)

PAYMENT PLAN

[\[sdstate.edu/cashiers-office/payment-plan\]](http://sdstate.edu/cashiers-office/payment-plan)

Students can elect to enroll in an interest-free payment program, which allows them to make monthly payments each semester. A per-semester enrollment fee of \$45 is required to set up a payment plan.

REFUNDS

If a student's financial aid and/or scholarship package exceeds the final bill, a refund will be issued within 14 days. Direct deposit for refunds can be set up through mystate.sdstate.edu under the Student Account Billing Self Service portal.

AUTHORIZED PAYERS

Per FERPA regulations, we cannot share any information on your student account without your permission. Setting up an authorized payer on SDePay would authorize them to talk to the Cashier's Office about your student account, make payments on your behalf, be notified of new statements, etc.

WHOM SHOULD I CONTACT ABOUT...

Billing, payments and payment plans? >>

Cashier's Office

Morrill Hall 136

Phone: (605) 688-6116

Email: studentbills@sdstate.edu

Web: sdstate.edu/cashiers-office

FAFSA and financial aid packages? Current student scholarships? Maintaining scholarship eligibility? >>

Financial Aid

Enrollment Services Center

Phone: (605) 688-4695

Email: sdsu.finaid@sdstate.edu

Web: sdstate.edu/office-financial-aid

First-year student and transfer student scholarships? >>

Admissions

Enrollment Services Center

Phone: (605) 688-4121

Email: sdsu.admissions@sdstate.edu

Web: sdstate.edu/admissions

WHERE CAN I FIND MY FINANCIAL AID & BILLING INFORMATION?

1. Log in to mystate.sdstate.edu.
2. Go to your Dashboard.
3. Select "Student Account Billing Self Service" for billing-related information and functions or "Financial Aid Self Service" for financial aid information and functions.

Students can view and pay their bill using SDePay.

Clicking the "SDePay" link in the Student Account Billing Self Service portlet will direct you to the billing site.

Students may also add authorized payers to access SDePay through this site.

Authorized payers can log in to SDePay at:

quikpayasp.com/sdbor/campus/studentaccounts/authorized.do

FINANCIAL AID PROCESSING

Federal financial aid is awarded to eligible students who complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA is available at studentaid.gov. **The SDState school code for FAFSA is 003471.** Students whose FAFSA information does not reflect their current financial situation should contact the Financial Aid Office to discuss options. Students can view their financial aid offer including scholarships, grants, work-study, and loans on the Financial Aid Self Service portal in their MyState account.

FEDERAL DIRECT LOANS

First-year students generally qualify for a total of \$5500 in Federal Direct Loans. Students who have financial need will receive a combination of Subsidized and Unsubsidized Direct Loans. Students without financial need will be offered Unsubsidized Direct Loans only.

The Direct Loan interest rate for the 2025-26 school year is fixed at 6.39%. Unsubsidized Direct Loans accrue interest from disbursement. Interest on Subsidized Direct Loans begins six months after the student graduates or drops below half-time enrollment status.

In order for Direct Loans to be processed, a student must:

- Accept the loans through Financial Aid Self Service in MyState
- Complete a Master Promissory Note (MPN) at studentaid.gov
- Complete Entrance Loan Counseling online at studentaid.gov listing SDState's school code 003471

ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF FINANCIAL AID

Federal Direct PLUS Loan: A fixed 8.94% interest rate loan available to eligible parents. The maximum amount awarded cannot exceed the cost of attendance minus other financial aid awarded. PLUS loans are disbursed in equal payments for fall and spring.

For more information, visit sdstate.edu (keyword: PLUS). Parents who receive a PLUS loan must complete the Direct Loan PLUS Master Promissory Note online at studentaid.gov.

Alternative Loans [private/non-federal]: These loans typically require a co-signer and have variable interest rates based on the credit of the cosigner. For more information visit sdstate.edu (keyword: private loan).