



Cost of living while studying

Studying at Moore College can be costly and so students need to think carefully about the expenses, and plan for how they will fund their education before they apply. This is even more important for [overseas students](#) (whether single or a family).

GENERAL INFORMATION

Things to be aware of:

- Scholarships are available; however, they are competitive and will not cover all of your expenses.
- If you are an overseas student, you should not assume that you can simply work in Australia while you are here. To do so requires a specific visa that will allow you to work, and these usually limit the number of hours you may be employed. [Visas](#) must be secured before you leave your home country, and work visas take longer to secure.
- If you are travelling with a spouse and/or family, they will also need visas and proof that they can support themselves or be supported financially.
- If your children are of school age you will generally be required to pay for their preschool and school education.
- Australia is a country with a high standard of living and hence relatively high expenses for accommodation, food, travel, education, medical and incidental expenses.

SINGLE STUDENT COSTS EXAMPLES

By way of example, a single student could expect costs as follows:

- Moore College fulltime undergraduate course fees will cost \$21,400 per year for local students and \$24,900 for international students.

- Accommodation would cost \$15,000 to \$20,000 per year.
- Food would cost \$5,000 to \$10,000 per year.
- Transportation (bus, train etc) might cost \$500 to \$2000 per year.
- Clothing might cost \$500 to \$1,000 per year.
- Health insurance would cost \$500 to \$1,000 per year.
- Utilities including phone, internet, gas, water and electricity might cost \$1,000 to \$2,000 per year.
- Incidentals like entertainment, stationery, sports, toiletries, etc might cost \$500 to \$2000 per year.
- Additional education expenses (e.g. conferences, books etc) \$500 to \$1,000 per year.

The above suggests expenses of between \$44,900 AUD and \$64,100 AUD per year.

MARRIED SUTDENT COSTS EXAMPLES

A family of 2 adults and two preschool aged children could expect costs as follows:

- Moore College full time undergraduate course fees will cost \$21,400 per year for local students and \$24,900 for international students.
- Accommodation would cost \$20,000 to \$25,000 per year.
- Food would cost \$10,000 to \$15,000 per year.
- Transportation (bus, train etc) might cost \$500 to \$2000 per year.
- Clothing might cost \$1,000 to \$2,000 per year.
- Health insurance would cost \$500 to \$5,000 per year.
- Utilities including phone, internet, gas, water and electricity might cost \$1,000 to \$2,000 per year.
- Incidentals like entertainment, stationery, sports, toiletries, etc might cost \$500 to \$2000 per year. Additional education expenses (e.g. conferences, books etc) \$500 to \$1,000 per year.

The above suggests expenses of between \$55,400 AUD and \$79,100 AUD per year.

If you have older school age children you would need to consider additional costs (e.g. primary school age children need to pay fees of \$13,000 per year, per child.

OTHER HELPFUL LINKS

The following are some helpful websites that might assist you:

- Sample budget planner – The following [budget planner](https://www.moneysmart.gov.au/tools-and-resources/calculators-and-apps/budget-planner) can be used to estimate your income and expenses: <https://www.moneysmart.gov.au/tools-and-resources/calculators-and-apps/budget-planner>
- The following pages from the Moore College website might help you to understand the financial costs involved in coming here to live and study:
 - General information for international students [fees and accommodation](http://www.moore.edu.au/fees): www.moore.edu.au/fees
- Please also review the [following website for visa conditions](https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/) if you are planning to work whilst studying in order to generate income: <https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/>

The College as well as offering [some scholarships](#) also provides a tool to allow you to find support from among family, friends and other believers in your local Australian home church when in Australia. This is called the ‘[Student Support Fund](https://moore.edu.au/support-moore/direct-student-support/)’: <https://moore.edu.au/support-moore/direct-student-support/>

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