Western Undergraduate Exchange Budget

The Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE - pronounced "woo-ee") Program is a program of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE). Through WUE, students in western states may enroll in more than 140 two-year and four-year college institutions at a reduced tuition level: 150 percent of the institution's regular resident tuition. The program began in 1987 and all WICHE states have now signed the agreement. Students from all WICHE member states are eligible to request the WUE tuition discount.

Please note that effective January 2008, residents of Hawaii are now eligible to enroll as WUE students in both two- and four-year institutions.

WUE member states: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming. Search the WUE Online Database to see which institutions participate and which programs are available at the discounted WUE rate.

WUE tuition is considerably less than paying full nonresident tuition. At CSUB, all our undergraduate majors (except Nursing) are available to WUE students. For more information, please contact the CSUB Admissions Office at (661) 654-3036.

Undergraduate, WUE, Full-Time Students (2025-2026 Academic Year)			
Allowances	With Parent	On-Campus	Off-Campus
Food & Housing (est.)	\$8,948	\$15,598	\$18,382
Transportation (est.)	\$2,474	\$1,250	\$2,536
Misc. Personal Expenses (est.)	\$3,144	\$2,528	\$4,274
Books, Course Materials, Supplies, & Equipment (est.)	\$978	\$978	\$978
Tuition Fees (est.)	\$11,721	\$11,721	\$11,721
COA Budget	\$27,265	\$32,375	\$38,891

CSU Disclaimer

The CSU makes every effort to keep student costs to a minimum. Tuition Fees listed in published schedules or student accounts may need to be increased when public funding is inadequate. Therefore, CSU must reserve the right, even after initial tuition fee payments are made, to increase or modify any listed tuition fees, without notice, until the date when instruction for a particular semester has begun. All CSU listed tuition fees should be regarded as estimates that are subject to change upon approval by The Board of Trustees.

Actual Housing Cost

For Informational purposes only: In accordance with California Assembly Bill 990, CSUB provides the typical market cost of a one bedroom apartment in the Bakersfield area.