



Estimated Undergrad Costs | 2020 – 2021

- Fall and Spring Tuition and Fees | \$58,540
- Housing (Double Room Occupancy) and Meal Plan | \$17,110
- Mandatory Health Insurance Purchased Through SMU | \$3,500
- Books and Supplies | \$3,476
- Total Estimated Cost | \$82,626 USD

Note: These are average costs for the nine-month academic year. Any scholarship amount can be submitted as part of the financial support documents. Depending on individual lifestyle and housing options, the figures above may be from \$1,000 to \$2,000 more each semester. Tuition and fees, housing and meal plans increase each year. The costs quoted do not include personal expenses, entertainment, travel or spending money

International Financial Statement Instructions

International students who are admitted into a degree program at Southern Methodist University will need to obtain a Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status (Form I-20) in order to enter and/or remain in the U.S. as an F-1 student.

The United States government requires all international applicants to provide proof of ability to pay tuition and living expenses before SMU can issue the forms required to obtain a visa. This requirement applies both to international students coming from abroad and those transferring from another U.S. university or institution. For SMU to issue you a Form I-20, you will need to submit:

1. The [International Student Financial Statement form](#). Section one and section two must be completed, including the signatures of both you (the student) and your sponsor.
2. A copy of the picture page from your [passport](#).
3. [Financial Verification](#) from Bank or Financial Institution, on bank letterhead, from you or your sponsor, must be dated within six months of the time of I-20 issuance. Account balance(s) must be shown in an amount greater than or equal to total estimated costs above.
 - The bank letter must be translated into English and current balance must be in U.S. dollars.
 - An example of the wording that can be used follows:
“I hereby certify that according to our records, [SPONSOR'S NAME](#), the sponsor of [STUDENT'S NAME](#), is capable of meeting the \$82,626 education expenses of the student as indicated on the Estimated Undergraduate Cost form.”
4. [SEVIS Transfer-In Form](#). If you are attending another university in the U.S. or graduating from a U.S. high school, you also need to submit the SMU SEVIS Transfer-In form. You can download the form and additional information at smu.edu/Admission/I20.

The SMU International Student & Scholar Services Office will process your I-20 request after all required materials have been submitted to the SMU Office of Undergraduate Admission. Once your request is processed, you will receive an email regarding I-20 shipping options available through eShipGlobal. You will create a shipping profile on eShipGlobal, select the shipping courier of your choice and pay for the related shipping costs