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Creating an Affordable-College Model for California Preliminary Estimates

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Why Create an Affordable-College Model for California?

- Increasing college affordability is essential to creating a well-educated workforce
- Current state and federal funding for college students falls short of need
 - Aid primarily linked to tuition
- Understanding the full cost of attendance provides context and helps frame the discussion around college affordability and addressing students' unmet financial needs



An Affordable-College Model for California: Two Formulas

Option #1: Shared Responsibility

Cost of Attendance

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Expected Family Contribution

Student Contribution

Federal Financial Aid

State & Institutional Financial Aid

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Unmet Financial Need

Option #2: Government Responsibility

Cost of Attendance

-

Federal Financial Aid

State & Institutional Financial Aid

=

Unmet Financial Need



Annual Cost of Attendance at California's Public Universities

Cost Per Student, 2018-19

PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

	UC	CSU	CCC
Institutional Costs			
Tuition & Fees	\$14,400	\$7,300	\$1,100
Living Costs*			
Food and Housing	\$12,100	\$11,500	\$8,400
Books and Supplies	\$1,500	\$1,900	\$1,000
Transportation	\$1,100	\$1,200	\$1,200
Personal/Miscellaneous	\$2,800	\$3,000	\$3,100
<i>Total Living Costs</i>	<i>\$17,500</i>	<i>\$17,600</i>	<i>\$13,700</i>
<u>Total Cost of Attendance Per Student</u>	\$31,900	\$24,800	\$14,800

*Figures are inflation-adjusted to 2018-19 dollars

Note: The following categories were weighted to reflect the shares of students living on-campus, off-campus, and with family: Food and Housing, Transportation, Personal/Misc. Figures are rounded to the nearest hundred and may not sum due to rounding.

Source: Budget Center analysis of data from the California State University, the California Student Aid Commission, and the University of California



Paying for College: Annual Family and Student Contribution

Per Student Costs, 2018-19*

PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

	UC	CSU	CCC
Expected Family Contribution (EFC)	\$9,400	\$8,700	\$2,200
Student Contribution	\$7,100	\$7,100	\$7,200
<u>Total Contribution Per Student</u>	\$16,500	\$15,800	\$9,400

*Figures are inflation-adjusted to 2018-19 dollars

Note: EFC figures are weighted to reflect national public four-year and two-year institutions median EFC amounts for independent and dependent students from all income levels. All students are assumed to contribute the same amount, which could come from work and/or student loans.

Source: Budget Center analysis of data from the California Employment Development Department and National Postsecondary Student Aid Study



Paying for College: Annual Federal Financial Aid

Per Student Costs, 2018-19*

PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

	UC	CSU	CCC
Pell Grant	\$2,300	\$2,300	\$1,700
Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant	\$70	\$70	\$40
<u>Total Federal Financial Aid Per Student</u>	\$2,400	\$2,300	\$1,700

*Figures are inflation-adjusted to 2018-19 dollars

Note: Figures are weighted to reflect national median grant award amounts for independent and dependent students from all income levels at public four-year and two-year institutions.

Source: Budget Center analysis of National Postsecondary Student Aid Study data



Option #1: Shared Responsibility

Per Student Costs, 2018-19*

PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

	UC	CSU	CCC
Cost of Attendance	\$31,900	\$24,800	\$14,800
Less Expected Family Contribution	-\$9,400	-\$8,700	-\$2,200
Less Student Contribution	-\$7,100	-\$7,100	-\$7,200
Less Federal Financial Aid	-\$2,400	-\$2,300	-\$1,700

*Figures are inflation-adjusted to 2018-19 dollars

Note: Totals may not sum due to rounding.

Source: Budget Center analysis of data from the California Employment Development Department, California Student Aid Commission, California State University, National Postsecondary Student Aid Study, and University of California



Option #1: Shared Responsibility

Per Sector Costs, 2018-19*

PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES			
	UC	CSU	CCC
Cost of Attendance	\$5.7 B	\$9.3 B	\$6.3 B
Less Expected Family Contribution	-\$1.7 B	-\$3.2 B	-\$931 M
Less Student Contribution	-\$1.3 B	-\$2.7 B	-\$3.1 B
Less Federal Aid	-\$434 M	-\$874 M	-\$751 M
Less State & Institutional Aid	-\$1.8 B	-\$1.4 B	-\$1.0 B
Unmet Financial Need	\$545 M	\$1.1 B	\$507 M

*Figures are inflation-adjusted to 2018-19 dollars

Note: Totals may not sum due to rounding.

Source: Budget Center analysis of data from the California Employment Development Department, California Student Aid Commission, California State University, National Postsecondary Student Aid Study, and University of California



Option #2: Government Responsibility

Per Student Costs, 2018-19*

PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

	UC	CSU	CCC
Cost of Attendance	\$31,900	\$24,800	\$14,800
Less Expected Family Contribution	-\$0	-\$0	-\$0
Less Student Contribution	-\$0	-\$0	-\$0
Less Federal Financial Aid	-\$2,400	-\$2,300	-\$1,700

*Figures are inflation-adjusted to 2018-19 dollars

Note: Totals may not sum due to rounding.

Source: Budget Center analysis of data from the California Employment Development Department, California Student Aid Commission, California State University, National Postsecondary Student Aid Study, and University of California



Option #2: Government Responsibility

Per Sector Costs, 2018-19*

	PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES		
	UC	CSU	CCC
Cost of Attendance	\$5.7 B	\$9.3 B	\$6.3 B
Less Expected Family Contribution	-\$0	-\$0	-\$0
Less Student Contribution	-\$0	-\$0	-\$0
Less Federal Aid	-\$434 M	-\$874 M	-\$751 M
Less State & Institutional Aid	-\$1.8 B	-\$1.4 B	-\$1.0 B
<u>Unmet Financial Need</u>	\$3.5 B	\$7.0 B	\$4.5 B

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Note: Totals may not sum due to rounding.

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Total Affordable-College Model Costs

Dollars in Billions, 2018-19* **PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES**

Option #1: Shared Responsibility	
	CA
Cost of Attendance	\$21.4
Less Expected Family Contribution	-\$5.9
Less Student Contribution	-\$7.1
Less Federal Financial Aid	-\$2.1
Less State & Institutional Aid	-\$4.3
<u>Unmet Financial Need</u>	\$2.1 B

Option #2: Government Responsibility	
	CA
Cost of Attendance	\$21.4
Less Expected Family Contribution	-\$0
Less Student Contribution	-\$0
Less Federal Financial Aid	-\$2.1
Less State & Institutional Aid	-\$4.3
<u>Unmet Financial Need</u>	\$15.0 B

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