

Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies Estimated Cost of Attendance COHORT 5 (Start January 2026)

When considering the financial cost of attending graduate school, one number does not tell the whole story. Cost of Attendance provides a more complete picture of the direct and indirect costs of one academic year at North Central College. Numbers are subject to change on an annual basis.

Direct Costs: Direct costs are expenses that will be included on your semester bill, such as tuition and fees.

	Year One	Year Two	Year Three
	(Spring Semester)	(Summer, Fall, Spring Semesters)	(Summer, Fall)
Tuition	\$23,144	\$71,536	\$34,716
Program Fee	\$1,150	\$1,900	\$2,250
Wellness Fee	\$75	\$150	\$75
Yearly Total	\$24,369	\$73,586	\$37,041

Total Direct Costs of Program: \$134,996

Indirect Costs: Indirect costs are expenses that will not appear on your semester bill but should be considered. Examples of indirect costs include housing, supplies, and personal expenses. Indirect costs vary by student lifestyle, living arrangements, and educational choices. Below are estimated indirect costs for students enrolled in graduate programs at North Central College. It is encouraged that students consider opportunities to minimize other costs and borrowing.

	Year One (Spring Semester)	Year Two (Summer, Fall, Spring Semesters)	Year Three (Summer, Fall Semesters)
Housing and Food	\$7,821	\$23,463	\$15,642
Books and Supplies	\$460	\$1,380	\$920
Student Loan Fees	\$108	\$324	\$216
Transportation	\$842	\$2,526	\$1,684
Personal Expenses	\$1,130	\$3,390	\$2,260
Yearly Total	\$10,361	\$31,083	\$20,722

Cost of attendance: The cost of attendance will be used by the Office of Financial Aid to determine the maximum amount of financial aid you can receive within the specified year. Note: If your actual cost differs from what is listed under indirect cost, that is okay. We encourage you to explore budgeting tools to help you manage your expenses

Estimated Cost of	\$34,730	\$104,669	\$57,763
Attendance	φ 5 4,750	\$104,009	\$57,705



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At North Central College, graduate students are eligible for federal and private financial aid, most commonly federal student loans. In order to qualify, a student must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) annually and include our school code 001734.

The maximum amount a graduate student can borrow under the Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan program is \$20,500 per academic year, with a maximum lifetime limit of \$138,500, which includes undergraduate federal loan borrowing. A student may also apply for a Graduate PLUS Loan to cover any remaining educational cost.

All estimated expenses vary by student. It is encouraged that students consider opportunities to minimize other cost and borrowing.

Please contact the Office of Financial Aid by calling 630-637-5600 or email <u>finaid@noctrl.edu</u> with any questions. Visit https://www.northcentralcollege.edu/financial-aid to learn more about the financial aid process and resources available.