The Cost of Attendance (COA) is the maximum amount of financial aid permitted from all sources during the nine-month school year. Institutional funds awarded by AUWCL, in combination with tuition-only outside assistance, cannot exceed AUWCL tuition.

While the COA cannot be increased to meet non-educational obligations, documented extraordinary expenses may be considered per federal regulations. The COA can be increased for a one-time computer purchase and/or AU medical insurance.

Enrollment in six credit hours per semester is required for receipt of financial aid. Students taking more than 17 credits (with Registrar approval) are charged per credit above the standard rate.

Federal loan recipients may borrow up to an additional $1,984 to help offset federal loan fees incurred at disbursement. The additional loan fee allocation is an average amount for all AUWCL loan borrowers. The updated total maximum COA inclusive of the loan fees is $91,328.

For the 2023-2024 (9-month academic year), students should budget approximately $2,555 per month for living expenses with approximately $1,715 of that allocated to housing and utilities. The total monthly figure includes housing (shared accommodations), food, and personal expenses from the above costs of attendance.