What a year really costs, by family income

Net price is the average a family in that income band paid for one year after grants and scholarships (tuition, housing, food, books, transportation). Find your student's band, then read across. Can't find a school? Look it up on a laptop at **collegescorecard.ed.gov**.

	Net price per year, by family income								
School	$0–30k	$30–48k	$48–75k	$75–110k	over $110k	Graduation rate	Median debt	Monthly payment	Median earnings
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA (PUBLIC)									
UC Berkeley	$5,311	$6,501	$9,693	$15,074	$34,529	94%	$13,000	$138	$92,446
UCLA	$5,579	$6,682	$9,811	$14,142	$29,682	93%	$14,000	$148	$82,511
UC San Diego	$7,525	$8,155	$9,942	$15,199	$28,785	90%	$15,500	$164	$84,943
UC Davis	$9,211	$9,966	$11,951	$16,294	$31,272	89%	$13,000	$138	$80,838
UC Irvine	$8,123	$9,313	$11,642	$15,164	$30,546	87%	$15,000	$159	$80,735
UC Santa Barbara	$9,231	$9,992	$12,588	$17,136	$31,863	87%	$13,993	$148	$74,915
UC Riverside	$8,852	$9,840	$13,111	$16,571	$30,393	79%	$17,500	$186	$67,699
UC Merced	$7,945	$8,465	$11,557	$14,828	$28,734	72%	$16,144	$171	$64,368
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY (PUBLIC)									
Cal Poly San Luis Obispo	$7,529	$7,253	$9,896	$15,786	$27,772	87%	$18,500	$196	$90,768
San Diego State	$9,910	$10,017	$12,697	$15,891	$23,821	82%	$15,000	$159	$64,909
Cal State Long Beach	$7,183	$7,831	$9,705	$12,630	$19,750	82%	$14,289	$151	$64,403
Cal State Fullerton	$3,315	$4,123	$6,090	$8,930	$15,631	80%	$13,750	$146	$62,951
San José State	$9,730	$10,114	$12,099	$15,102	$22,862	78%	$15,000	$159	$78,988
Cal Poly Pomona	$7,851	$8,433	$10,734	$13,894	$20,716	78%	$16,000	$170	$71,902
Cal State Northridge	$4,905	$5,450	$7,744	$11,262	$18,040	71%	$13,872	$147	$59,115
Sacramento State	$6,501	$7,001	$9,212	$11,814	$18,861	72%	$15,000	$159	$64,876
PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES									
Stanford	$0*	$0*	$3,212	$11,092	$53,882	97%	$12,000	$127	$124,080
USC	$13,516	$14,394	$19,539	$24,976	$56,116	93%	$18,000	$191	$92,498
Santa Clara University	$22,985	$19,154	$26,531	$37,219	$60,678	90%	$19,162	$203	$109,183
Loyola Marymount	$32,268	$34,535	$34,351	$40,557	$58,371	81%	$19,500	$207	$78,349
University of San Diego	$15,586	$17,441	$19,557	$27,012	$46,989	81%	$22,940	$243	$86,522
Pepperdine	$50,560	$42,674	$51,063	$61,851	$65,081	84%	$23,510	$249	$82,939
Chapman University	$33,559	$33,978	$33,709	$40,011	$55,066	82%	$20,500	$217	$70,070
COMMUNITY COLLEGES (PUBLIC)									
Santa Monica College	$1,896	$2,442	$4,440	$7,087	$8,395	28%	$6,450	$68	$42,193
De Anza College	$5,887	$4,834	$7,798	$11,094	$11,825	44%	$5,625	$60	$56,596
Pasadena City College	$3,051	$2,631	$6,003	$9,136	$11,261	33%	$6,651	$71	$43,937
Santa Barbara City College	$9,333	$10,868	$11,536	$15,381	$19,544	31%	$11,000	$117	$47,647
American River College	$7,599	$6,219	$9,538	$11,652	$13,845	25%	$9,625	$102	$40,162

Source: U.S. Department of Education, College Scorecard, pulled September 27, 2026. Graduation rate: finished a degree or certificate there within 8 years. Debt and payment: typical graduate who borrowed, on a standard 10-year plan. Earnings: typical former student, 10 years after starting; it mostly reflects what students studied. * Stanford's averages for the two lowest bands are below $0: grants exceed the full cost. Community college graduation rates tell only part of the story, since many students transfer before earning a degree there. These are averages: a school's own Net Price Calculator gives your family's estimate.