



**2026-27 Estimated Annual Cost of Attendance Budget
Fall 2026 (REV Aug 2026)**

	On Campus	Off Campus	Commuter*
DIRECT (BILLED) COSTS			
Tuition (same for all CIM programs)	\$55,125	\$55,125	\$55,125
Required Fees:			
Student Services Fee ¹	\$900	\$900	\$900
Performance Services Fee ²	\$1,430	\$1,430	\$1,430
Health and Wellness Services Fee	\$916	\$916	\$916
On Campus Housing in 1609 Hazel (double occupancy) (First-year undergraduates reside in doubles; Single occupancy rates vary)	\$13,863	---	---
SUBTOTAL DIRECT (BILLED) COSTS	\$72,234	\$58,341	\$58,341
INDIRECT (NONBILLED) ESTIMATED COSTS			
Off Campus Housing (9 months)	---	\$15,350	\$3,200
Food (9 months; assumes no formal meal plan) ³	\$4,600	\$4,600	\$4,600
Books, Course Materials, Supplies & Equipment	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$1,600
Transportation & Travel	\$1,750	\$1,750	\$750
Average Federal Loan Fees First-Year Undergraduate (Graduate: \$216) ⁴	\$58	\$58	\$58
Personal / Miscellaneous	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
SUBTOTAL INDIRECT (NONBILLED) COSTS	\$9,008	\$24,358	\$11,208
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE without insurance	\$81,242	\$82,729	\$69,549

Medical Plan Fee (Insurance) via CWRU ⁵			
Required fee billed to all students; waiver form eligible if student has comparable coverage to receive a credit for this fee - <i>Estimated</i>	\$5,149	\$5,149	\$5,149
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE with insurance	\$86,391	\$87,848	\$74,698

- These figures are applicable only to the 2026-27 academic year; students should expect modest cost increases annually.
- Indirect cost estimates are based on 9 months of the academic year and are informed from current student surveys.
- The values above assume full-time enrollment and will be adjusted for less-than-full-time enrollment or single-term enrollment. For a more comprehensive list of fees and other costs, see the following pages.
- Undergraduate students are expected to live on campus at 1609 Hazel for all four years.

* Commuters live with family locally. First-year undergraduates require dorm release approval by Student Affairs and Services.

¹ Student Services fee includes but is not limited to: student activities, library, technology, ID, TCO Student Pass.

² Performance Services Fee includes but is not limited to: collaborative piano, recording services, recital support, instrument lending and maintenance, and other production services and support, up to limits set by Artistic Administration and Operations.

³ 1609 Hazel has full in-suite kitchens; our budget assumes students will purchase and prepare their own food. If they prefer, both on and off campus students may opt into a formal meal plan (see next page for Hawken Meal Plan options). In the spring 2026 term, approx. 20% of 1609 Hazel residents purchased a formal meal plan.

⁴ Average Federal Direct Loan origination fees. Actual amount varies by amount borrowed and annual Direct Loan Origination Fee rate. If no federal loan borrowed, this fee is not applicable.

⁵ Medical Plan Fee is billed to all students. Student may submit a Populi Medical Plan Waiver Form by posted due dates to verify comparable coverage to receive an offsetting credit to result in a net \$0 cost for this item. Waiver forms must be filed each year, as applicable.

2026-2027 ESTIMATED COST DETAILS

The figures below are estimated costs for 2026-27 year only. Tuition and required fees are the same for all new undergraduate and graduate programs and both in-state or out of state residency. Items marked with an asterisk (*) are billed to all students.

COST ITEM	SEMESTER	YEAR
TUITION		
*Full Time Tuition: (does not include any CWRU classes unless part of legacy Dual Degree) Base tuition applicable for up to 18 credits per semester for CIM instruction (grandfathered at \$50,000/year for program enrollments started Fall 2024 or Spring 2025, and \$40,000/year for program enrollments started Spring 2024 and earlier)	\$27,562.50	\$55,125
Double Major in Performance or Composition	\$5,250	\$10,500
Double Major in Eurhythmics or Theory	\$2,625	\$5,250
Dual Degree with CWRU Surcharge (if began dual degree component of program prior to fall 2023, this fee is \$10,000 for the year)	\$7,875	\$15,750
CWRU Classes, per credit per semester (no longer included in base CIM tuition fee; this fee is not applicable to current Dual Degree enrollees)	\$2,381	
Over 18 Credit Hours Surcharge per semester; billed per hours that exceed 18; not applicable if student is already billed for Double Major or Dual Degree Surcharge	\$1,575	
Secondary Study Fee Surcharge for instrument or composition lessons registered outside the student's degree requirements; not applicable to students billed for Double Major Surcharge	\$1,315	
Part Time Tuition per credit hour; part time status requires advance approval by Office of Academic and Student Affairs and is subject to all the same fees as are required for full time enrollment; part time enrollment is generally only permissible in final semester of program and is not eligible for CIM Scholarship.	\$3,062	
REQUIRED FEES		
*Student Services Fee: General student activities, library, technology, ID, TCO Student Pass	\$450	\$900
*Performance Services Fee: Includes but is not limited to collaborative piano, recording services, recital support, instrument lending and maintenance, and other production services and support, up to limits set by Artistic Administration and Operations	\$715	\$1,430
*Health and Wellness Services: May not be waived	\$458	\$916
*Medical Plan Fee (Insurance): Via CWRU; all students are billed for this each semester; the fee may be waived if student has comparable coverage and submits a timely waiver form (new waiver form is needed annually)	\$2,575	\$5,149
International Student Administrative Fee Required for all international students for I-20/SEVIS maintenance; Sprintax registration and annual updates to help ensure proper federal tax withholding and reporting compliance by CIM for any payments, awards, etc. to international students	\$84	\$168
HOUSING AND FOOD		
Housing - On Campus 1609 Hazel: Required of all undergraduates (first year through fourth year); graduate students may apply, subject to availability.		
Refundable Damage Deposit 1609 Hazel: Annual fee, refunded upon satisfactory move-out		\$250
Double Occupancy Room – First-year undergraduate: within 2- or 3- bedroom suites	\$6,932	\$13,863
Single Occupancy Room – Second through Fourth year undergraduates: within 4- bedroom suites	\$7,675	\$15,350
Large Single Occupancy Room: Very limited, subject to availability	\$8,372	\$16,744
Single Deluxe Occupancy Room: Very limited, subject to availability	\$9,594	\$19,188
Housing - Off Campus: Estimated indirect cost; assumes single occupancy for 9 months	\$7,675	\$15,350
Housing - Off Campus Commuter: Estimated indirect cost; CIM prior approval required if first-year student to live with local relatives	\$1,600	\$3,200
Food - Indirect Cost estimate: Based on 3 meals per day for 9 months (\$511/month); formal meal plans are not required of any student as 1609 Hazel includes full in-suite kitchens	\$2,300	\$4,600
Food – Optional Sage Dining at Hawken Mastery School Weekly Meal Plans: Opt In via Populi Form		
15 Meals (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner; Monday-Friday)	\$3,597	\$7,196
10 Meals (Lunch & Dinner; Monday-Friday)	\$2,817	\$5,634
5 Meals (Lunch; Monday-Friday)	\$1,260	\$2,520

• 5 Meals (Dinner, Monday-Friday)	\$1,557	\$3,114
MISCELLANEOUS Estimated Indirect (non-billed) Additional costs relating to Study Abroad, Dependent Care, or Disability Expenses may be considered, as applicable, upon request to financialaid@cim.edu		
Books, Course Materials, Supplies & Equipment	\$800	\$1,600
Average Federal Student Loan Fees First-Year Undergraduate (graduate average is \$216); if no federal loan used, fee is n/a	\$29	\$58
Transportation 2 round trips to/from school/home and local travel costs (estimated average)	\$875	\$1,750
Personal / Miscellaneous Personal hygiene, laundry, clothing, entertainment, etc.	\$500	\$1,000
OTHER ITEMS billed as applicable		
Summer 2026 English Language Training Program (ELTP) Online June 29 – August 7; required if matriculation level English proficiency level not on file by March 1.	\$3,950	
ELS enrollment – per semester	\$8,000	
Orientation Fee - Undergraduate Mandatory Attendance (\$210 for spring 2027 admits)		\$590
Orientation Fee - Graduate Mandatory Attendance, including previous CIM students (\$184 for spring 2027 admits)		\$440
Orientation Fee - International in addition to Graduate or Undergraduate Fee; Mandatory Attendance (\$131 for spring 2027 admits)		\$260
CWRU Activity Fee (does not include fitness membership)	\$323.30	\$646.30
Replacement CIM Student ID Card	\$35	
Home/Apartment Piano subject to availability for keyboard, composition, conducting students:		
• Moving and Setup Fee one-time; includes \$200 refundable deposit	\$770	
• Piano Rental, Service and Tuning Fee per semester	\$300	\$600
Parking Pass Full Time subject to availability via lottery	\$250	\$500
Parking Pass Part Time (new) allows students to park in CIM's lot Monday-Friday from 3-11pm and on Saturday/Sunday 7am – 11pm	\$75	\$150
Late Registration Fee per semester if not registered by defined date prior to start of each term (TBD)	\$250	
Payment Plan Fee \$50 per semester, semester billing is divided into 4 monthly installments	\$50	
Late Payment Fee and/or Late Payment Plan Fee per month	\$100	

Notes:

- The costs on this budget reflect the 2026-27 academic year only; students should expect modest increases annually for tuition, fees, living expenses, etc.
- The Cost of Attendance budget's indirect (non-billed) costs are derived from internal review of annual student cost surveys, College Board's living expenses estimates, peer institutions, and local market trends.
- Documented expenses relating to child or dependent care, student disability, and approved study abroad programs may be included to an individual student's cost of attendance budget as reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Subject to Change Disclaimer

CIM reserves the right to make corrections or adjustments to the information in this document as applicable. Cost of attendance may need updated in the event of unexpected campus closures and/or adjustments to the academic calendar. These circumstances could include, but not be limited to, a sudden natural disaster or health crisis. In these situations, financial aid eligibility is adjusted accordingly.

Revised August 23, 2026 to reflect the following updates:

- CWRU classes/credits no longer included in CIM base tuition (unless Dual Degree enrollee)
- CWRU per credit hour cost added
- CWRU Medical Plan Fee - updated plan cost, **also see new [Populi Medical Plan Fee Waiver form](#)**
- Health and Wellness Services Fee combined and managed exclusively via CIM
- Meal plan opt-in offerings via Hawken/Sage instead of CWRU - **see new [Populi Meal Plan Opt-In form](#)**
- CWRU Activity Fee - **see updated [Populi CWRU Activity Fee Opt-In form](#)**