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# Creating an Affordable-College Model for California

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# Why Create an Affordable-College Model for California?

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- 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

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## Option #1: Shared Responsibility

Cost of Attendance

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Parent Contribution  
Student Contribution  
Federal Financial Aid

State & Institutional Financial Aid

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Unmet Financial Need

## Option #2: Government Responsibility

Cost of Attendance

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Federal Financial Aid

State & Institutional Financial Aid

=

Unmet Financial Need



# Annual Cost of Attendance at California's Public Universities

Per-Student Costs, 2018-19

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

\* 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 Parent and Student Contribution

Per-Student Costs, 2018-19\*

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	CCC	CSU	UC
Parent Contribution	\$2,200	\$8,700	\$9,400
Student Contribution	\$7,400	\$7,400	\$7,400
<b><u>Total Contribution</u></b>	<b>\$9,600</b>	<b>\$16,100</b>	<b>\$16,900</b>

\* Figures are inflation-adjusted to 2018-19 dollars.

Note: Parent contribution figures are weighted by students' dependency status and family income. Figures are rounded to the nearest hundred and may not sum due to rounding.

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\*

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

\* 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. Figures are rounded to the nearest hundred and may not sum due to rounding.

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



# Option #1: Shared Responsibility

Per-Student Costs, 2018-19\*

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

\* Figures are inflation-adjusted to 2018-19 dollars.

Note: Figures are rounded to the nearest hundred.

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\*

	CCC	CSU	UC
Cost of Attendance	\$6.3 B	\$9.3 B	\$5.7 B
Less Parent Contribution	-\$931 M	-\$3.2 B	-\$1.7 B
Less Student Contribution	-\$3.2 B	-\$2.8 B	-\$1.3 B
Less Federal Aid	-\$751 M	-\$874 M	-\$434 M
Less State & Institutional Aid	-\$1.1 B	-\$1.5 B	-\$1.8 B
<b>Unmet Financial Need</b>	<b>\$411 M</b>	<b>\$939 M</b>	<b>\$475 M</b>

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Note: Figures may not sum due to rounding.

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# Option #2: Government Responsibility

Per-Student Costs, 2018-19\*

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

\* Figures are inflation-adjusted to 2018-19 dollars.

Note: Figures are rounded to the nearest hundred.

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\*

	CCC	CSU	UC
Cost of Attendance	\$6.3 B	\$9.3 B	\$5.7 B
Less Parent Contribution	-\$0	-\$0	-\$0
Less Student Contribution	-\$0	-\$0	-\$0
Less Federal Aid	-\$751 M	-\$874 M	-\$434 M
Less State & Institutional Aid	-\$1.1 B	-\$1.5 B	-\$1.8 B
<b>Unmet Financial Need</b>	<b>\$4.5 B</b>	<b>\$7.0 B</b>	<b>\$3.5 B</b>

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# Total Affordable-College Model Costs for the CCC, CSU, and UC Combined

Dollars in Billions, 2018-19\*

Option #1: Shared Responsibility	
Cost of Attendance	\$21.4
Less Parent Contribution	-\$5.9
Less Student Contribution	-\$7.3
Less Federal Financial Aid	-\$2.1
Less State & Institutional Aid	-\$4.3
<b><u>Unmet Financial Need</u></b>	<b>\$1.8 B</b>

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

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