

COST OF ATTENDANCE 2026-2027

Class of 2028 (Incoming 1st Year Students)

Cranbrook Academy of Art's official Cost of Attendance is divided into two parts: **Fixed Costs** (tuition, fees, health insurance if international student) and **Estimated Costs** (Housing, food, supplies, transportation, personal expenses, and federal student loan origination fees). The official Cost of Attendance encompasses both Fixed and Estimated Costs.

Fixed Costs: Fixed Costs will not vary. Paid to the institution directly.

Tuition (<i>½ of the total due on or before 1st day of each semester</i>)	\$51,250
Lab/Facility Fee (<i>½ of the total due on or before 1st day of each semester</i>)	\$1,550
Student Activities Fee (<i>½ of the total due on or before 1st day of each semester</i>)	\$100
Matriculation Fee (<i>1st-year students only</i>) (<i>full amount due on or before 1st day of fall semester</i>)	\$310
Accident & Sickness Insurance (full amount due on or before 1 st day of the fall semester). All international students studying on F-1/J-1 visas are automatically enrolled and charged for health insurance. It is mandatory for international students.* NOTE: Domestic students are not required to purchase Cranbrook's insurance but must have health insurance as enrolled students. All domestic students will be emailed information on how to enroll in Cranbrook's insurance plan. If you choose to enroll in Cranbrook's insurance, be aware that your fixed costs will increase by the estimated cost of insurance, \$2,264 .	\$2,264
Total Fixed Costs <i>*(Difference due to mandatory insurance for F-1/J-1 students)</i>	
Fixed Costs – International Students *	\$55,484
Fixed Costs – Domestic Students	\$53,220

Estimated Costs: Estimated Costs will vary based on choices made by the individual student; students may spend depending on personal lifestyle choices.

Housing <i>Off-campus living</i>	\$6,350
Food <i>Meals both at home/not at home</i>	\$7,852
Supplies <i>Cost of Supplies varies based on student choices regarding their work; this estimates average costs. The lab fee covers the use of most media lab and woodshop equipment. Printing is available on campus for a fee at a competitive rate. Use of on-campus digital fabrication machines (including CNC router, CNC plasma router, laser cutter) is currently \$20/hour or unlimited use: \$250 per semester/\$500 per academic year.</i> <i>Your department may have nominal fees related to the equipment or department lab costs. Please connect with your AIR to review.</i>	\$3,600
Transportation	\$2,675
Personal Expenses	\$4,969
Total Estimated Costs	\$25,446

Financial Aid Cost of Attendance: Amount used to award aid (includes mandatory tuition, fees, and estimated costs). The total financial aid awarded may not exceed this amount.

International Students	Domestic Students
\$80,930	\$78,666

**International students are not permitted to borrow federal student loans, and the loan fee component of the COA has been removed.

Annual Cost for On-Campus Housing (*no on-campus meal plan provided*)

2026-2027 Dormitory Costs	
Double Occupancy – Limited Availability	\$4,375
Single Occupancy	\$7,528

Off-campus Housing & Transportation in the Detroit Metropolitan Area:

Off-campus housing is available in the Detroit metropolitan area at a reasonable cost. However, the surrounding area is not served by reliable public transportation, so students living off campus will need personal transportation. For those without personal vehicles, it's important to budget for rideshare services like Uber or Lyft. Keep in mind that the cost of rideshare services can vary depending on the time of day, particularly during peak hours, and may be higher during busy times (such as mornings or evenings).

Non-driving students must also research and plan their transportation to and from campus. This includes estimating rideshare expenses based on the campus schedule and the time of day.

Recommendation: Personal transportation is highly recommended for all students, but if you plan to rely on ridesharing, make sure to account for the additional cost when deciding where to live.