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Please use this sample budget as a guide when filling out the scholarship/grant application.

Sample budget for students

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STUDY AND LIVING COSTS (per month)

Living costs vary significantly depending on personal circumstances and individual needs. The following figures are therefore given purely for guidance.

Studying while living with parent(s)		Student not living with parent(s)	Student not living with parent(s)	
Tuition fees1)	CHF 140	Tuition fees1)	CHF 140	
Education costs ²⁾	CHF 100/200	Education costs ²⁾	CHF 100/200	
Accommodation ³⁾		Accommodation incl. utilities ³⁾	CHF 600	
Food ⁴⁾	CHF 250	Food ⁴⁾	CHF 350	
Clothing	CHF 100	Clothing	CHF 100	
Health ⁵⁾	CHF 200	Health ⁵⁾	CHF 200	
Transport ⁶⁾	CHF 150	Transport ⁶⁾	CHF 100	
Leisure, culture ⁷⁾	CHF 200	Leisure, culture ⁷⁾	CHF 200	
Various additional costs	8) CHF 100	Various additional costs8)	CHF 200	
Total (rounded up)	CHF 1,200/1,300	Total (rounded up)	CHF 2,000/2,100	

The Social Services team will be happy to advise you on **funding questions** (scholar-ships/grants, etc.).

Students in gainful employment: Make sure to budget for advance tax payments!

¹⁾ Tuition fees are CHF 850 per semester for all faculties.

²⁾ Study costs (books, lecture notes, photocopies, excursions, laboratory, equipment, etc.) vary between CHF 100–200 depending on the degree program.

³⁾ The "accommodation" item is generally negligible for students living with their parent(s). Source: Swiss Federal Statistical Office (2010), Studieren unter Bologna.

⁴⁾ Including meals taken in the university cafeteria.

⁵⁾ Includes the average health insurance premium for students under the age of 25, minus the premium subsidy. Health insurance premiums vary significantly from canton to canton. Also includes deductibles not covered by the health insurance fund. Premiums are much higher for people over the age of 25!

⁶⁾ Includes the cost of the TNW transport network subscription (eco season ticket), CHF 53 up to the age of 25, then CHF 80, plus other transport costs.

⁷⁾ Smokers please note: You will need to budget up to around CHF 200 per month!

⁸⁾ Telephone/internet, OASI minimum contribution, household/liability insurance, etc.