Student Costs



	2026 - 2027	2027 - 2028
Tuition	$16,800	$17,600
Room and Board	$ 4,800	$ 5,000
Fees	$ 225*	$ 225*
Books and Supplies	$ 450*	$ 450*
Personal Items	$ 750*	$ 750*
Medical Insurance	$ 1,400*	$ 1,400*
Transportation	$ 1,300*	$ 1,300*
Total	**$25,725**	**$26,725**

*These items are estimates. Specific expenses will be individualized based on such things as the cost of air travel and personal items.

Four Steps to Financial Aid

1. Gather the required information to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form:
   - Student's and parents' social security numbers, birthdates, marriage date
   - Student's driver's license number (if applicable)
   - Student's alien registration number (if not a U.S. citizen)
   - Student's and/or parents' federal tax returns and W-2 Forms (from the year prior to the academic year for which you are applying)
   - Student's and/or parents' records of untaxed income (social security benefits, assistance for needy families, veterans benefits, savings, investments and business/farm assets)
2. Student and parents must complete a FAFSA form online. Visit www.fafsa.gov. Create a student and parent ID and password and file the FASFA form.
3. Make sure the form is sent to Divine Word College. This can be completed by entering our school code on the FAFSA form. Use school code 001858.
4. Contact DWC Financial Aid Coordinator at: 563-876-3057 ext. 220 or waechter@dwci.edu.

Sample Student Profile

Below is a sample of what ***domestic*** Divine Word College students typically receive as part of their financial aid package. This is only a sample and does not promise any specific amounts to any specific student. All financial aid packages are individualized. Any scholarship received from Divine Word College or another source would affect loan amounts.

Sources of Funding

	2026 - 2027	2027 - 2028
Student Aid Index (SAI): The SAI is determined based on the parental and student information provided on the FAFSA form. The SAI is used to determine a student's financial aid eligibility.	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
Federal Pell Grant: This amount is determined by the federal government based on a student's financial need as reported on the FAFSA form.	$ 7,395	$ 7,395
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG): This amount is an additional federal grant administered by Divine Word College and is for students with a larger need for financial aid.	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
Federal Work-Study: These funds are available based on a federally sponsored program with proportionate shares of funds provided by the federal government and Divine Word College. It enables domestic students to work on campus at a rate of $15.00 per hour.	$ 1,800	$ 1,800
Direct Loan Program: These are funds which are borrowed and must be repaid.	$ 0	$ 0
Other Scholarships: These funds are from individual scholarships the student receives from organizations such as the Knights of Columbus, Serra Clubs, etc.	$ 500	$ 500
Honor Scholarship: Funds donated by benefactors. Almost all domestic students receive a portion of these dollars based on need.	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
Divine Word College Scholarship: Funds available to all students in need.	$ 8,530	$ 9,530
Total	$25,725	$26,725

Sample Awards

Other Potential Sources of Funding

There are many other possible sources of funding for students. Students and their families are responsible for seeking other avenues of financial assistance if it is needed. Some of these include:

Vocational Rehabilitation Assistance: In case of permanent disabilities or health problems, State Vocational Rehabilitation Agencies may grant aid for rehabilitation through education. Contact the state agency of your respective home state for more information.

Catholic Institutions:
- Knights of Columbus Councils
- Serra International Clubs
- Home Parishes
- St. Vincent de Paul Society

Secular Institutions:
- Parents' places of employment
- National scholarships
- Local scholarships
- Local newspapers and companies
- Social clubs such as Kiwanis, Lion's Club, etc.

Scholarships

To assist students in their responsibility to pay for their education, Divine Word College offers the following scholarships:

Divine Word College Scholarship: After admission and upon scholarship application at the beginning of every school year, assistance from Divine Word College may be granted.

Presidential Scholarship: Awarded to students who show promise of superior academic achievement. It is an annual award of $3,000 renewable each year the recipient continues to meet the established guidelines. A maximum of two new applicants may be approved for this scholarship in a single year.

Honor Scholarships: An annual award which is renewable each year that the recipient continues to meet the established guidelines.

Alfred E. Hughes Scholarship

Amedeo Cacciamani Scholarship

Annunziata Cacciamani Scholarship

Bishop Curtis Guillory, SVD Scholarship

Carl and Jo Mani Scholarship

Dr. William Cade Goertz Scholarship

Divine Word Missionary Brothers Scholarship

Father Chester Nowicki, SVD Scholarship

Father Edmund Francis Morman, SVD Scholarship

Father Frank Kamp, SVD Scholarship

Father Robert J. Flinn, SVD Scholarship

Father William Shea, SVD Scholarship

Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters and Holy Spirit Adoration Sisters Scholarship

Mani Family Scholarship

Important Terms

Financial Assistance: Any money that is available to help pay for education that is not contributed by the student and/or family. Generally, there are four kinds of financial assistance: grants, scholarships, loans and work-study programs.

Grants: Money available to the student which does not have to be repaid. Most are available from the government and are usually based on financial need.

Scholarships: Money given by Divine Word College or another source which does not need to be repaid. These funds generally are based on academic performance, special areas of study (such as religious life), or financial need. Some organizations like the Knights of Columbus and Serra Club support students in formation for religious life. You can locate a club or council through your home parish.

Loans: Money which is borrowed to help meet college expenses. Divine Word College students who borrow money usuall average $2,000 a year.

Federal Work-Study: Money which is earned by students as they participate in some work opportunities on campus. Ability to participate in this program is based on financial need.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA): A form which must be completed by all students who are U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents requesting financial aid. All federal and institutional financial assistance is based on this form. It must be completed online. Visit: **www.fafsa.gov**. Divine Word College's school code is 001858.

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What to Bring?

If you are accepted to Divine Word College and have not completed the FAFSA form prior to your arrival at the college, please bring all the information listed in "Step Two" on the inside of this brochure with you when you come to the college. This information is needed by the Financial Aid Coordinator to help you complete the FAFSA form and secure your financial aid package.

For More Information:

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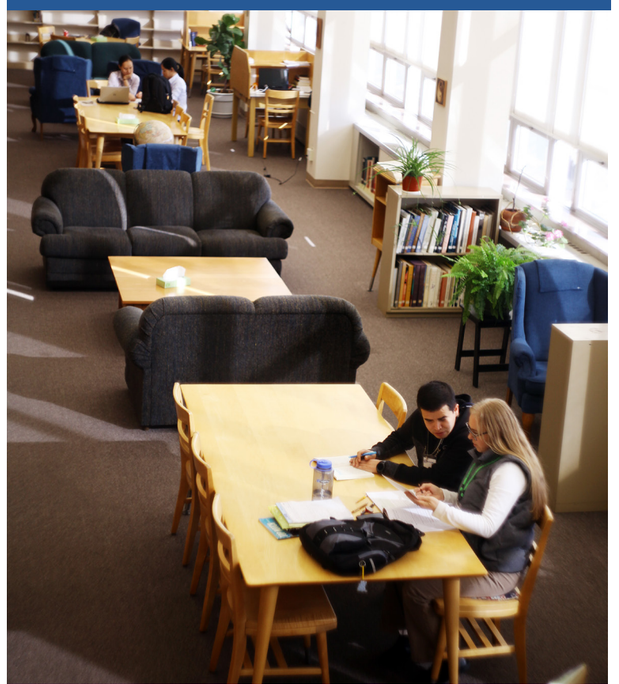
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Financial Aid



All students receive a scholarship!

Qualified students sincerely interested in studying for the priesthood or brotherhood as a Divine Word Missionary will never be turned away for lack of money. While expecting students and their parents to pay what they can reasonably afford, Divine Word Missionaries will assist them in obtaining the necessary financial aid.

This brochure is intended to help prospective and current students and their families understand the cost of Divine Word College and how they can meet the financial obligations. For more detailed information, please contact the Vice President for Admissions or the Financial Aid Coordinator.