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Estimated Costs for 2026-2027

	First Year			Second Year
	Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall
Credits	12.25	12.25	5	12
Tuition	$1,642	$1,642	$670	$1,608
State Fees	551	551	225	540
#Departmental Fee	793	793	420	793
Campus Support Fee	380	380	155	372
Total	**$3,366**	**$3,366**	**$1,470**	**$3,313**
Kit (includes Books)	$2,700			
^Laptop	1,190			
Uniforms	200			
Annual Cost			**$12,292**	**$3,313**
Program Cost				**$15,605**

These costs are estimates. Changes in the number of credits carried will affect these figures. These figures do not include rent, food, and related living expenses.

#Student liability insurance and State Licensing cost included in Departmental Fee.
^Students are required to use a wireless laptop and are eligible to purchase a laptop through the LATC STAX Bookstore. Software use and IT support is included for laptops purchased through the Bookstore.

Before purchasing software for laptops, it is recommended to contact the Bookstore for free or student discounted software.

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Estimated Indirect Costs 2026-2027
11 months

	Housing & Food	Personal / Miscellaneous	Transportation	Total
Dependent Student living off campus	$11,550	$1,915	$2,885	$16,350
Dependent Student living with parent	$6,930	$1,915	$2,885	$11,730
Independent Student living off campus	$17,100	$3,570	$3,115	$23,785
Independent Student living with parent	$6,930	$1,915	$2,885	$11,730

Housing & Food – average cost of rent, utilities and an estimate cost of three meals per day for the Watertown area.
Personal/Miscellaneous -estimate for items such as entertainment, clothing, personal care items, etc.
Transportation – estimate for expenses to travel to and from campus, a part-time job and occasional trips home.

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Estimated Indirect Costs 2026-2027
4.5 months

	Housing & Food	Personal / Miscellaneous	Transportation	Total
Dependent Student living off campus	$4,725	$790	$1,180	$6,695
Dependent Student living with parent	$2,835	$790	$1,180	$4,805
Independent Student living off campus	$6,995	$1,470	$1,275	$9,740
Independent Student living with parent	$2,835	$790	$1,180	$4,805

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