How UC Scholarships and Co-op Reduce Your Actual Tuition Costs

UNIVERSITY OF Cincinnati

The University of Cincinnati offers two extraordinary opportunities for international students to reduce the cost of study in the U.S.

- We offer the UC Global Scholarship which provides $2,000 to $7,000 per year, depending on your scholarship award, to directly reduce tuition.
- We also offer cooperative education (co-op) programs in which students alternate quarters (10 weeks) of classroom study with quarters of paid, professional work in their fields. Co-op is open to international students with a student visa; no additional documentation is required. The professional wages earned during co-op may also be applied to education expenses, leading to a significant reduction in overall education costs.

UC's Undergraduate Co-op Programs

College of Engineering
(required co-op)
- Aerospace Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering
- Materials Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering

College of Applied Science
(required co-op)
- Architectural Engineering Technology
- Computer Engineering Technology
- Computer Science Technology
- Construction Management
- Chemical Technology
- Culinary Arts & Sciences
- Electrical Engineering Technology
- Information Engineering Technology
- Manufacturing Engineering Technology
- Mechanical Engineering Technology

College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning
(required co-op)
- Architecture
- Digital Design
- Fashion Design
- Graphic Design
- Interior Design
- Industrial Design
- Urban Planning

College of Business
(optional co-op)
- Accounting
- Finance
- Industrial Management
- Information Systems
- Marketing
- Operations Management
- Real Estate

McMicken College of Arts and Sciences
(optional co-op)
- Communication
- Economics

Case Study

Anton, a student from Ukraine enrolled in the UC College of Engineering, is a recipient of the UC Global Scholarship at the $7,000 per year level. His UC program requires six quarters of co-op work assignments over five years. Based on 2007-08 tuition, room and board rates and estimated book and other expenses, he projects average annual expenses of about $33,108 per year. This amount will be significantly less during his co-op quarters, when he will pay only a $200 professional practice fee.

His UC scholarship award totals $28,000. It will be distributed over 12 in-class quarters. Based on other Engineering students' experiences, he estimates his earnings during six quarters of co-op work at an average $7,108 US per year. It is possible that his overall annual expenses may be reduced by more than 50 percent.

	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	4th year	5th year
Total estimated expenses	$33,108	$22,272	$22,272	$22,272	$33,308
Tuition & fees	$23,922	$16,148	$16,148	$16,148	$24,122
Room & board	$8,286	$5,524	$5,524	$5,524	$8,286
Books	$900	$600	$600	$600	$900
Total estimated aid & earnings	$7,000	$11,774	$18,882	$18,882	$14,108
UC Global Scholarship	$7,000	$4,666	$4,666	$4,666	$7,000
Co-op earnings	0	$7,108	$14,216	$14,216	$7,108
Total estimated student obligation	$26,108	$10,498	$3,390	$3,390	$19,200
Dollar savings	**$7,000**	**$11,774**	**$18,882**	**$18,882**	**$14,108**
Percentage reduction of education expenses	**21.1%**	**52.9%**	**84.8%**	**84.8%**	**42.3%**

Projected education expenses, scholarship and co-op earnings over a 5-year UC co-op program. This estimate includes only university- related expenses. It does not include additional living costs, such as health insurance, transportation, etc. All figures shown are estimates of out-of-state tuition costs and income. Every attempt has been made to provide a good-faith estimate of expenses and income so students can make informed decisions, however, many variables may apply. For example, co-op earnings vary by program and year of study, and room and board vary based on students' preferences. Costs are not adjusted for inflation and all estimates are subject to change.