

DIRECTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF CERTIFICATION OF FINANCES

Please use the following estimated student budget to determine total costs for your first year. This budget is based on two semesters or nine months from mid-August through May. Tuition for the 2008-2009 year is \$945 per unit for the Master's Program and \$1,055 per unit for the Doctoral Program.

Estimated International Graduate Student Budget for 2008-2009		
	Master's Program (9 units per semester)	Doctoral Program (9 units per semester)
Tuition	\$17,010	\$17,910
Room and Board	\$13,080	13,080
Books and Supplies	\$1000	\$1000
Personal Expenses	\$3,600	\$3,600
TOTAL	\$34,690	\$36,670

The Total Costs listed are based on typical full time course loads. US immigration policies require that you provide guaranteed funds for the duration of your study here at the University. Tuition and other costs may vary according to the number of semesters or years that you take to complete your graduate program.

The total tuition costs listed here are not necessarily based on total number of units required by your program of study. It is your responsibility to base your expenses on the total number of units required by your program the number of years it normally takes to complete your program. For example, the Master of Arts in Counseling with an MFT emphasis requires 48 units and normally takes two full years to complete. It is your responsibility to have \$45,360 (48 units x \$945.00 = \$45,360 for tuition only), in addition to the other listed costs, to complete the program. The total number of units and normal length of program requirements can be found in the program requirements.

Other expenses for which you should budget but which are not included in the above estimate are:

- a) International transportation,
- b) Summer session costs (tuition, room & board, etc.) if you plan to stay at USF for the summer,
- c) Spouse (\$5,700 per year) and/or children (\$5,700 per year) if applicable.

Room and Board includes on-campus double-occupancy apartment at \$4,700 per semester and a minimum food plan of \$1,840 per semester. The University does not have housing for married students.

Personal expenses includes clothing, laundry, entertainment, sundries and local transportation. All international students are required either to carry health insurance valid within the United States or enroll in the plan offered through USF.

1. After you have determined total costs for your first year, estimate the length of time it will take you to complete the program. In estimating your budget over a two year period, please be aware that costs are likely to increase somewhat each year.
2. Complete and sign the form.
3. Have the form signed by your guarantor (Parent or Sponsor).
4. Have the form signed by your guarantor's bank or attach a letter from your bank.
5. If you are being sponsored by your government, please attach a letter of support from your government.
6. We suggest you make two copies of this form: one to take with you when you request your visa from the US Consular Office to demonstrate that you have sufficient funds to study at USF, and one to bring with you when you arrive in the U.S. for immigration purposes.

