

# 5 TYPES OF COLLEGE COSTS

The annual cost to attend college (Cost of Attendance) depends on which college you decide to attend. That amount is made up of five different types of costs:

## 1. TUITION & FEES

The cost for classes, instruction and use of certain facilities at a particular college. Below are the average costs for 2016-17 by type of college:

\$5,153 Iowa Community Colleges

\$8,368 State Universities in Iowa

\$16,235 For-Profit Private Colleges in Iowa

\$28,723 Private Non-Profit Colleges & Universities in Iowa

**Go to the Directory of Iowa Colleges & Universities on page 34 to find 2016-17 tuition and fees for individual colleges and universities.**

## 2. ROOM & BOARD

The cost of a place to live and the meals you eat for the school year. An example is your residence hall or apartment and meal plan or food you purchase yourself.

\$6,268 Iowa Community Colleges

\$9,031 4-Year Public & Private

## 3. BOOKS & SUPPLIES

The cost of such items as books, course materials, office and art supplies. The cost depends on the type and number of classes that you take.

\$1,344 Iowa Community Colleges

\$948 4-Year Public & Private

## 4. PERSONAL EXPENSES

The cost for things such as laundry, clothing, personal items, eating out, recreation and cell phone bills.

\$1,699 Iowa Community Colleges

\$1,771 4-Year Public & Private

## 5. TRANSPORTATION

The cost for getting back and forth to campus. These costs vary depending on whether you commute to class each day and how far you travel at the beginning and end of the school year.

\$1,748 Iowa Community Colleges

\$469 4-Year Public & Private