

Welcome

Welcome to Salem State's Net Price Calculator! We're happy you are beginning to explore how to plan and pay for your college education. Using the net price calculator, you can find out your estimated eligibility for financial aid and assess your out-of-pocket expenses.

Even if you're not going to college in the near future, the net price calculator will still be helpful. Younger students and their parents can use this tool to learn about college costs and receive early financial aid information. You can create "what if" scenarios based on expected family income and anticipated expenses, and start to plan and save well before applying to college.

Colleges have different resources and financial aid policies, so your "net price" will vary from institution to institution. Also, special circumstances are considered by financial aid offices on a case-by-case basis. If your situation is unusual, you may want to contact the financial aid office at the colleges to which you are admitted.

When you're ready to begin, you can sign in with your College Board user name and password or you may use the calculator as a guest. The advantage of signing in is that the information you enter will be saved in your account, so you can use it again and again to calculate your net price at other colleges of interest. Good luck!



- How does it work? The calculator measures the financial strength of your family and uses other information you provide to estimate the amount of grants, scholarships and other financial aid that is likely to be available to you. Your "net price" is the difference between that amount and the cost of attendance. *This tool will provide an estimated amount of financial aid, your actual award may vary based on funding levels at the time you submit your FAFSA application.*

The calculator is designed to give you a general idea of the types and amounts of financial aid you might qualify for if you were a college freshman attending Salem State University full-time.

As you use the calculator, please remember:

1. This is not an application for admission or for financial aid.
2. The results will only be as reliable as the information you provide.
3. The net price calculator will only give you an estimate of your net price and aid eligibility. The financial aid office has the final word on your financial aid award.
4. You must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible after January 1 of the year you plan to attend college.

Completing the calculator should take no more than 20 minutes of your time. You will need to answer some basic questions about your parents' financial situation so it might be helpful to have recent tax forms or pay stubs on hand before you begin.