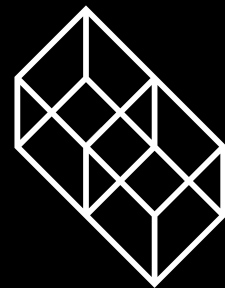# THE COOPER UNION
Affordability and Financial Aid

At The Cooper Union, all undergraduate admitted students receive a half-tuition scholarship. Additional merit scholarships and need-based aid is available to eligible students.

To be considered for need-based aid, students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Only U.S. citizens, permanent residents, and other eligible non-citizens may complete the FAFSA. More information can be found at **studentaid.gov**.

Types of Financial Aid

Merit Scholarships

Half-tuition Scholarship: Awarded to all admitted undergraduate students regardless of demonstrated need or citizenship; no additional application necessary.

Innovator Scholarship: All admitted undergraduate students are automatically considered for this scholarship; no additional application necessary.

Named Scholarships: All admitted undergraduate students are automatically considered for various named scholarships; no additional application necessary.

Need-based Aid

Need-based aid is awarded to admitted students based on their demonstrated financial need. Eligibility for need-based aid is determined by the information received on the FAFSA.

Federal Work Study: This funding is earned through on- or off-campus employment with specific approval and does not need to be repaid. Students are responsible for finding job opportunities. Eligibility for this type of self-help is determined by the FAFSA and indicated in a student's financial aid award letter.

Loans: This is optional funding that will need to be repaid over time, e.g., private loans, PLUS Loans, Direct Subsidized Loans, Direct Unsubsidized Loans, etc.

How to Apply for Financial Aid

Please visit **studentaid.gov** on or after October 1 to file your FAFSA for the following year's aid, e.g., file your FAFSA as early as October 1 for the following academic year. Be sure to list **Cooper Union's Institutional Code (002710)** on your FAFSA.

When Will I Receive My Financial Aid Award Letter?

The priority deadline to file your FAFSA for financial aid is December 1 for Early Decision applicants, March 1 for Regular Decision applicants, and March 31 for all other students. If the FAFSA is filed by these dates, a student can expect to receive their financial aid award letter with their letter of admission in the applicant portal.

2023–2024 Tuition & Fees

Tuition **Before** Half-tuition scholarship: $44,550
Tuition **After** Half-tuition scholarship: $22,275
Registration Fee: $2,270
Room & Board: $18,650 (double room occupancy)
Insurance*: $2,500 (estimated)
International Student Fee: $2,010 (if applicable)

*All students are required to either enroll in Cooper Union's health insurance plan or waive if covered under a comparable plan.

Other Expenses

Books and Supplies: $1,800 ($1,000 for Engineering students)
Off-campus Housing: $15,910
Personal: $1,576 (estimated)
Transportation: $700 for on-campus/$1,040 for Off-campus (estimated)

Visit **cooper.edu/students/financial-aid/coa** for a more detailed cost of attendance breakdown.

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