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## 2026-27 Budget Appeal Form

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Student Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Dominican Student ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

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Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

- This form may be used to document additional education-related expenses above and beyond the standard budget allowances used to determine your maximum eligibility for aid and may re-evaluate the budget components if the actual or expected expenses exceed those standard allowances.
- Budget adjustments may only be made for permissible expenses related to education, as determined by federal regulations. The Office of Financial Aid will not exceed the limits published on this form, **no exceptions**.
- If your expenses exceed the maximums, it is up to you to make the necessary arrangements to cover the difference.
- Please follow the instructions carefully, and provide all required documentation. Appeals without appropriate documentation included **will not** be considered.

**Note: Budget appeals may be used to re-evaluate maximum borrowing capacity only.**

**Off-campus living expenses greater than standard budget allowance**

Off-campus living expenses are based on double-occupancy average costs for a single student. If your actual expenses exceed the standard allowances, complete this section and provide documentation (lease, rental, or mortgage statement, copies of bills and receipts):

**Actual Monthly Expenses**

Rent/Mortgage payment \_\_\_\_\_  
Utilities (gas, phone, electric) \_\_\_\_\_  
Transportation \_\_\_\_\_

**Purchase of Computer Hardware**

Students who purchase a **computer** for educational purposes may request all or a portion of their computer expense up to a maximum of \$2,000 to their budget allowance. Allowable expenses include a computer (desktop/laptop), monitor, and/or printer. Attach a copy of the actual payment receipt or purchase agreement, showing the details of hardware purchased. ***Students may only request this budget adjustment once for their program at Dominican.***

**Other**

Other expenses such as dependent child care expenses (maximum of \$1,000 per month) or excess travel costs may also be considered under specific circumstances. Travel costs for Dominican class trips may be included if the class is being taken for credit, falls within a regular semester, and the student is enrolled at least half-time. On a separate sheet, provide an explanation of other expenses and documentation of actual or expected out of pocket expenses.

### Student Certification

*I hereby affirm that all information reported on this form and any attachment hereto is true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge.*

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Student Signature

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Date