PALOMAR INSTITUTE OF COSMETOLOGY

2026-2027 Estimated Cost of Attendance (COA) - Full Program

These estimates cover the full program, not one academic year. Amounts vary by attendance schedule and living arrangement. Tuition, required fees, books, and supplies are institutional charges; food and housing, personal, and transportation expenses are estimated allowances, not charges paid to the school.

Cosmetology - 1,000 clock hours

Cost component	Day - with parents	Day - off campus	Evening - with parents	Evening - off campus
Tuition and required fees	$16,250	$16,250	$16,250	$16,250
Books and supplies	$3,495	$3,495	$3,495	$3,495
Food and housing	$11,144	$21,832	$13,930	$27,290
Personal expenses	$4,056	$5,072	$5,070	$6,340
Transportation	$1,072	$1,472	$1,340	$1,840
TOTAL ESTIMATED COA	**$36,017**	**$48,121**	**$40,085**	**$55,215**
Estimated program length	8 months	8 months	10 months	10 months

Esthetics - 600 clock hours

Cost component	Day - with parents	Day - off campus	Evening - with parents	Evening - off campus
Tuition and required fees	$9,850	$9,850	$9,850	$9,850
Books and supplies	$1,995	$1,995	$1,995	$1,995
Food and housing	$6,965	$13,645	$8,358	$16,374
Personal expenses	$2,535	$3,170	$3,042	$3,804
Transportation	$670	$920	$804	$1,104
TOTAL ESTIMATED COA	**$22,015**	**$29,580**	**$24,049**	**$33,127**
Estimated program length	5 months	5 months	6 months	6 months

Manicuring - 400 clock hours

Cost component	Day - with parents	Day - off campus	Evening - with parents	Evening - off campus
Tuition and required fees	$3,850	$3,850	$3,850	$3,850
Books and supplies	$1,395	$1,395	$1,395	$1,395
Food and housing	$4,179	$8,187	$5,572	$10,916
Personal expenses	$1,521	$1,902	$2,028	$2,536
Transportation	$402	$552	$536	$736
TOTAL ESTIMATED COA	**$11,347**	**$15,886**	**$13,236**	**$19,018**
Estimated program length	3 months	3 months	4 months	4 months

Important information

The COA is an estimate for planning purposes. Actual expenses may differ. Additional allowable costs, such as dependent care or disability-related expenses, may be considered individually by the Financial Aid Office when applicable. Financial aid eligibility and awards are calculated separately under federal requirements. Manicuring is not eligible for federal Title IV financial aid.

Source: PIC 2026-27 financial aid budget worksheets. Cosmetology AY1 + AY2 combined using 2026-27 rates only; Esthetics and Manicuring use their regular 2026-27 Budget worksheets.