

**Sample Monthly Budget - Living Away from Home 2024/2025**

**Average figures for guidelines purposes only**

<b>Expenses</b>		<b>Income</b>	
Rent/Mortgage	811	SUSI maintenance grant	477
Transport – Leap Card cap €64pm <b>or</b> Fuel €140pm	118	Living expenses allowance from Parents/Guardian	120
Weekend Transport – Outside Dublin Bi-Weekly	140	Rent allowance from Parents/Guardian	700
Gas/Electricity/Oil	137	Part-time Employment Income	280
Groceries/Toiletries	200		
On/Off campus meals	120		
Internet	30		
Phone	27		
Medication	22		
College Materials e.g., printing etc.	24		
College Books	24		
Childcare	?		
Car Tax	?		
Car Insurance	?		
Car Maintenance/NCT	?		
Medical Insurance	?		
TV License	13		
Bin Charges	18		
Extra-Curricular Activities e.g., Gym/Clubs & Socs/Sport	45		
Other: Basic clothing (45) / Social work-life balance e.g., Cinema/Coffee Friends (100)	145		
<b>Total Monthly Expenses</b>	<b>1874</b>	<b>Total Monthly Income</b>	<b>1577</b>

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**Expenses to be taken into consideration at different times during the year**

Gaelteacht Fees

Placement-Work Clothes / Extra travel / Possible rent during placement

Social - Other Events

Other Motor Costs

Christmas

Easter

Annual Holiday / Weekend breaks

Possible small saving for unexpected Costs

Loans - Bank / Credit Union / Other

**Other Income May be noted**

Scholarship/Bursary/Other Funding Award

Allowance from Partner/Spouse

Summer Work Savings

Loan Parent Allowance

Back to Education Allowance

Disability Allowance

Rent Allowance

Family Income Supplement

Carers Allowance

Health Board Payments

Charitable Support

Childcare Support

Maintenance Support

Other