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**Car Repairs/Roadside  
Assistance/State Tags/  
City Stickers**

Federal regulations permit the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine Office of Student Financial Aid (COM OSFA) to adjust a student's budget *providing* the COM OSFA adheres to strict guidelines for documenting such adjustments. This information sheet has been created to assist students who need to submit a request to have their living expenses increased for car repairs. It by no means incorporates all situations *or* details all documentation the COM OSFA may request. It is merely a guide and is subject to change.

The College of Medicine Office of Student Financial Aid (COM OSFA) allocates in all students' budgets the costs for transportation. The amount varies by class and site. It is expected that students will use these funds for either public transportation or gas. Students who either incur expenses for preventative maintenance or car repairs may be eligible to increase their student budget. *Please Note: an increase to a student's budget for Car Repairs will only increase the student's eligibility for loans----not for grant or scholarship funds.*

To submit a budget increase request for **Car Repairs and/or Roadside Assistance**, students must do **all** of the following:

- ◆ Submit a copy of the **paid receipt** that clearly shows:
  - the student's name on the receipt;
  - the year/make/model of the car;
  - date of service;
  - services rendered; and
  - total amount paid.

**Note: A mere invoice or work estimate will not suffice.**

To submit a budget increase request for **State Tags and/or City Stickers**, students must do **all** of the following:

- ◆ Submit a copy of the **paid receipt** that clearly shows:

- the student's name on the receipt;
  - the year/make/model of the car, and;
  - total amount paid.
- ◆ In addition to the proper documentation, students must submit a cover letter requesting the increase and includes the student's name and UIN. *Until all required documentation is received, a budget increase for Car Repairs, Roadside Assistance, State Tags and/or City Stickers will not be approved.*

### **Important Limitations**

- Eligible auto repairs must occur within the **same academic year and loan period** as the request for the increase. Any auto repairs from the previous academic year or loan period will be denied.
- The COM OSFA will only permit budget increases on one automobile per student.
- The **maximum** allowed for auto repairs is **\$1200** per academic year (fall, spring, and summer).
- In the case of an **automobile accident**, only the deductible will be covered after submission of a paid receipt.
- Parking tickets** and tickets for **moving violations** will be denied.

A student may use federal funds to cover the cost of a Car Repair expenses. However, annual and aggregate loan limits restrict eligibility for federal subsidized and unsubsidized loans. Students who have borrowed their loan limits may have to rely on alternative loans to fund the increase.

**We encourage students to have their budget increased to cover the cost for Car Repairs only if there is absolutely no other reasonable source by which to obtain funding.**

Remember, under normal circumstances a student will not begin repaying the student loan utilized for car repairs increase until six months after graduation, and then the student will be making payments for ten years. Please keep this in mind when making a request for additional loan assistance.

### **Important Dates**

**Fall Semester: November 3, 2006**

For a student's 2006-2007 financial aid budget to be increased for the Car Repair Expenses in the 2006 fall semester, the request and all required documents must be submitted no later than **November 3, 2006**.

**Spring Semester: April 5, 2007**

For a student's 2006-2007 financial aid budget to be increased for the Car Repair Expenses in the 2007 spring semester, the request and all required documents must be submitted no later than **April 5, 2007**.

**Summer Semester: June 30, 2007**

For a student's 2006-2007 financial aid budget to be increased for the Car Repair Expenses in the 2007 summer semester, the request and all required documents must be submitted no later than **June 30, 2007**.

Contact the College of Medicine Office of Student Financial Aid if there are any questions about *Car Repairs, Roadside Assistance, State Tags or City Stickers*.

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