



April 20, 2021

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Dear Ndunge,

Hope this finds you enjoying the beauty of Spring. Praying with you that things are going well with you as you continue to plan for the future. Attached is information regarding your cost of attendance that will provide you with information on the gap between your financial aid award and on-campus employment, and the total dollar amount needed in order to study at AMBS.

Although we are blessed by generous donors, allowing us to offer financial assistance to many students, AMBS is unable to offer full support to anyone. Therefore, it will be important for you to demonstrate that funds are available to cover your total cost of attendance in order to obtain a student visa to enter the U.S.

In order for the U.S. government to issue you a student visa, you will need to demonstrate that your full cost of attendance has been met. Therefore, you should begin now to identify additional sources of funds that will close the gap between your scholarship amount, and the total cost of attendance. These funds can come from family members, friends and colleagues, churches and other organizations and agencies, or from your personal funds. Steps 5, 6 and 7 on the AMBS website link found [here](#) will provide you with more information about this important step of the process.

You will need to submit the completed certification of funds document along with all of the required documents to us as soon as possible during these Covid-19 restrictions. Once received and verified, we will provide you with the documentation you will need to apply for a student visa.

You will want to schedule an appointment with the U.S. Consulate at the earliest availability to obtain a student visa that will permit you to be on campus by the start of orientation week, which begins August 16, 2021. In fact, we **strongly recommend** that all new international students arrive on campus several weeks earlier. That will allow sufficient time to adjust to your new environment, and will allow you to begin uninterrupted online access to orientation course work that will become available on **August 2**.

We look forward to welcoming you to our learning community in August, and will do whatever we can to help prepare the way for you. Therefore, please do not hesitate to contact me if anything is unclear, or if you have any questions.

Grace and Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Teresa Thompson Sherrill", written in a cursive style.

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Estimated Cost of Attendance 2021-2022 – Prepared for Ndunge Sefu

Note: Includes expenses for a student with accompanying family members.

Expense Categories for 12 months	Cost
Tuition & Fees (26 credit hours)	\$14,560
Books/supplies	\$1,092
Housing/Utilities/Food/Household	\$11,880
Personal	\$900
Transportation	\$736
Medical (Insurance and out-of-pocket fees)	\$3,744
SEVIS fee (student visa application)	\$350
Misc. expenses	\$1,200
Total Estimated Cost of Attendance	\$34,462
Resources for Attending AMBS	
	Amount
AMBS International Student Aid Award – 100% tuition	\$14,040
On-campus employment	\$5,000
Total resources for 2021-2022	\$19,040
Difference that needs to be provided	\$15,422

Note: You are responsible for obtaining the amount listed as “*difference that needs to be provided*”. These funds can come from your personal savings, or from sponsorships that you obtain. You will need to complete the Certification of Funds document, along with official/certified bank statements before you will be eligible to apply for a student visa. The certification of funds document can be found [here](#).

Additional Notes:

1. The transportation cost listed above only includes travel cost while in the U.S. from Chicago’s O’Hare International Airport to the AMBS campus in Elkhart, Indiana. It does not include travel cost to and from your country of origin to the U.S.
2. AMBS has an agreement with an insurance company to provide health coverage for international students. Funds from donors help subsidize the cost of insurance, and students are only billed \$50 per month for coverage. Students are responsible for any co-payment, deductible and coinsurance amounts charged when receiving medical care. The cost for any dependents are *not* subsidized.
3. On-campus employment generally involves maintenance, cleaning, grounds keeping, or library work. You will have an opportunity to apply for specific positions as they become available.
4. Other than tuition & fees, all other expenses are estimates. Your actual cost may be higher or lower. However, in order to obtain a student visa to enter the U.S., you must demonstrate the ability to completely fund the estimated cost of attendance.