

Sample Budget A

| | Per Unit | Total Cost |
|--|-----------------|-------------------|
| A. Tuition | \$365 | \$1,095 |
| B. Campus Fees | \$415 | \$830 |
| C. Sony Handycam FDR-AX53 4K Camcorder (Deluxe Bundle) | \$950 | \$950 |
| D. Participant compensation | \$40 | \$800 |
| E. NVivo14 Software, 12-month student license | \$75 | \$75 |
| F. Transcription fees | \$1.75/min. | \$1,575 |
| G. 2026 ASUS OLED Laptop | \$1,000 | \$1,000 |
| H. [Academic Conference] Annual Meeting Registration Fee | \$100 | \$100 |
| I. Flight to [Academic Conference] | \$350 | \$350 |
| J. Hotel in [Academic Conference] | \$170 | \$510 |
| K. Meals [Academic Conference] | \$69 | \$207 |
| TOTAL | | \$7,492.00 |

Budget Justification

- A. **Tuition.** Three units of graduate coursework at \$365 per unit, \$1,095.
- B. **Campus fees.** Graduate student fees are \$415 per semester for 6 academic units, thus for AY 2026-27 I will be charged a total of \$830.
- C. **Sony Handycam FDR-AX53 4K Camcorder (Deluxe Bundle).** This camcorder will be used to visually capture the context of interactions between student-athletes and their coaches on the court. Additionally, I will use it to film focus group conversations. The deluxe bundle is requested as it includes a high-capacity memory card, tripod, and camera bag, all of which will be necessary as I gather data at multiple sites. \$950 is the estimated cost (gadgets.com) of this device.
- D. **Participant compensation.** Participants will be compensated \$40 per interview. This is the typical rate of participant compensation at Random University and has been approved by the Institutional Review Board.
- E. **NVivo14.** NVivo14 is a common software package for qualitative data analyses. I am requesting a 12-month student license for this software.
- F. **Transcription fees.** Participant interviews will be digitally recorded and professionally transcribed by Transcription Co. (transcriptionco.com) at a rate of \$1.75/minute. 20 participants x 450 minutes x \$1.75= \$1,575.
- G. **2026 ASUS Laptop.** Needed to run NVivo14, store digital sound files and write my dissertation.
- H-K. Presentation of findings at the [Academic Conference] meeting.** Findings to be presented at the annual meeting of the [Academic Conference] in Month 2026/2027. Estimated costs include Student Registration Fee (\$100), round-trip flight (\$350), hotel (\$170 x 3 nights = \$510), and meals (\$69/day x 3 = \$207). Hotel and meal costs calculated using 2026 Federal Rate, found at <https://www.gsa.gov>.



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Sample Budget B

| | Per Unit | Total Cost |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|
| A. Tuition | \$365 | \$1,095 |
| B. Campus Fees | \$510 | \$905 |
| C. Survey Software Fees | \$26/month | \$130 |
| D. Participant incentives | \$10 | \$2,500 |
| E. IBM SPSS Statistics 29 | \$50 | \$50 |
| F. MacBook Pro laptop M2 | \$2,449 | \$1,500 |
| G. [Academic Conference] Meeting Registration Fee | \$180 | \$180 |
| H. Flight to [Academic Conference] | \$450 | \$450 |
| I. Hotel in [Academic Conference] | \$150 | \$450 |
| J. Meals [Academic Conference] | \$69 | \$207 |
| TOTAL | | \$7,467.00 |

Budget Justification

- A. **Tuition.** Three units of graduate coursework at \$365 per unit, \$1,095.
- B. **Campus fees.** Graduate student fees are \$510 per semester for 6 academic units, thus for AY 2026-27 I will be charged a total of \$1,020. However, given other project-related expenses I am only requesting a partial reimbursement of this expense.
- C. **Survey software fees.** Funding is requested to purchase six-month access to Survey Monkey, which will be used to gather survey data. The cost is \$26/month. Due to the number of anticipated study participants, the free version of the program will not be sufficient.
- D. **Participant incentives.** Participants (N=250) will receive a \$10 gift card for completing the survey instrument. This is a typical form of participant compensation at Random University and has been approved by the Institutional Review Board.
- E. **IBM SPSS Statistics 29.** SPSS is a common software package for quantitative data analyses. I am requesting a 12-month student license for this project.
- F. **MacBook Pro M2 laptop.** A laptop is requested to store and analyze the data, and write-up project results. Pricing found at mycampusbookstore.com. I have included a request that exceeds the cap of \$1,500 and am aware that I will have to pay the remainder myself.
- G-J. **Presentation of findings at the [Academic Conference] meeting.** Findings to be presented at the annual meeting of the [Academic Conference] in Month 2026/2027. Estimated costs include Student Registration Fee (\$80), round-trip flight (\$450), hotel (\$150 x 3 nights = \$450), and meals (\$69/day x 3 = \$207). Hotel and meal costs calculated using 2026 Federal Rate, found at <https://www.gsa.gov>.



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