

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>.

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>.