

USC Thornton

School of Music

ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE

Academic Year 2026-2027

(semesters 1 and 2 of a 3-semester program)*

Master of Science (MS)

Music Industry

Tuition:	Fall 2026 (14 units)	\$ 35,546
	Spring 2027 (13 units)	\$ 33,007
	Fall 2027 (8 units)	\$ TBD
	<i>(fall 2027 tuition rates will be announced in spring 2027)</i>	
Fees:	New Student (one-time fee)	\$ 55
	Student Health Service	\$ 1,440 (see below)
	Mandatory Health Insurance	\$ 3,777 (see below)
	Student Programming	\$ 80
	Norman Topping Student Aid	\$ 22
	Student Transportation Fee	\$ 302

Note: These estimated costs reflect tuition and fees for only the first two semesters of this three-semester program. In most cases, the above amounts for tuition and half of the above amounts for fees are due at the beginning of each semester (unless noted otherwise). One significant exception to this is the student health insurance fee, which is assessed at a larger amount in the spring than in the fall. Actual living and incidental expenses (such as personal expenses, books, and musical materials) vary from student to student and are not accounted for on this cost list. All amounts listed are subject to change without notice.

Student Health Service and Mandatory Health Insurance: For details, please refer to <http://engemannshc.usc.edu/insurance/>

Graduate Tuition: For all students at the graduate level, tuition is assessed at a rate of \$2,539 per unit during the 2026-2027 academic year.

*Tuition and fees for the third and final semester of this program will be published in spring 2027. It should be assumed that both tuition and fees will be slightly higher in the third semester than in the first and second semesters.

****Financial Aid for MS Music Industry Students:**

- US citizens and permanent residents can be eligible for federal loans (refer to USC financial aid website: <http://financialaid.usc.edu/>)
- Private loans can also be available for this program, subject to eligibility. See <http://financialaid.usc.edu> for more information
- International students are not eligible for aid in this program