2021-2022 Student Budget Appeal

Student’s Name (please print)  UC ID#  (Area Code) Telephone Number

The Law Financial Aid Office calculates your financial assistance eligibility based on a combination of tuition, fees, and living expenses. We encourage you to live frugally and to budget your expenses. However, if needed, we may be able to increase your annual budget in anticipation of certain expenses that are not a part of the standard student budget. Such an increase may only change your loan eligibility. Please itemize additional expenses below (attach separate sheet if needed) and attach required documentation. Expenses we cannot adjust include (but are not limited to) credit card bills, car payments, job search costs, moving & relocation costs, elective cosmetic medical & dental, and optional expenses unrelated to your course of study. Submit this form and all supporting documentation to financialaid@law.uchicago.edu.

Additional Expenses1

Books & Supplies (in excess of $595/quarter for full-time, $393 for half-time, and $196 for those below half-time)

Auto Insurance, Registration, Maintenance, Roundtrip mileage to & from campus, Campus Parking (in excess of $1,891 for 9-month or $2,521 for 12-month enrollment)

Child Care Costs (maximum of $1,440/month; only allowed if single parent, or spouse is enrolled in school or employed at least part-time)

Computer Purchase (up to $1,500 once during academic career)

Dental, Medical, and Vision Expenses not covered by insurance (non-elective cosmetic, medically necessary). Can include prescription drugs and other on-going student expenses.

Health Insurance Premium (in excess of student basic coverage). Can include unemployed or underemployed spouse & dependent children. Can include Dependent Health Services Fees.

Rent4, Mortgage, Condo Fees, Renter’s or Homeowner’s Insurance, and Parking at home (in excess of $1300/month)

Other/Additional tuition/fees; disability-related; loan fees, etc.:

Required Documentation2

Total Excess
Annual
Expense1

(All photocopy. Do not submit originals.)

ALL receipts3.

Insurance bill/contracts/receipts

$__________

Contract; if no contract, submit cancelled check showing amount paid.

Copy of receipt for purchase.

Insurance Explanation of Benefits

$__________

Statement, if other than UChicago.

☐ Check if UChicago insurance

Lease, rental agreement (signed), or mortgage statement, insurance bill

Provide official documentation.

$__________

Loan Amount You’re Requesting $__________

☐ Direct Unsubsidized ☐ GradPLUS ☐ Alternative

1Law Financial Aid reserves the right to not allow an expense without proper documentation or that exceeds the standard allowance by greater than 15% (unless indicated above); and to request documentation, in addition to that listed on this form, to support your appeal. Unless indicated, only expenses incurred by the student are covered.

2Required documentation must be official and must include your name.

3Provide a copy of the course syllabus or book list for each of your courses, along with ALL receipts.

4We can only consider the student’s portion of the rent for single students or those with roommates. If you are not the sole lease holder, in addition to your lease, we require copies of cancelled checks to confirm your monthly rent payment and may require additional documentation, onereviewed.

I certify that I agree with the terms set forth in this document and that all information I have supplied is accurate.

Signature: ____________________________  Date: ____________________________