

PERMANENT RESIDENCE ESTIMATED FEES AND COSTS: Faculty and Staff Cases

GENERAL INFORMATION: This information is provided in connection with Legal Permanent Residence (LPR, or “green card”) cases processed through USC. Please note that these are estimates, as costs and fees can change at any time.

Step A: USC Sponsorship – Department Costs*

PROCESS	TYPE OF COST	AMOUNT
PERM LABOR CERTIFICATION (when required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advertising costs (if any) 	Variable
I-140 IMMIGRANT VISA PETITION (all cases)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USCIS Filing fee USCIS Premium Processing 	\$700 \$1,225 (Total: \$1,925)

Step B: Form I-485 “Green Card” Application – Individual Costs**

PROCESS	TYPE OF COST	AMOUNT
I-485 ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS Filing Fees <i>Note: Includes Biometrics fee, I-131 (advance parole application), and I-765 (employment authorization application)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USCIS Filing fee For each adult over age 14 USCIS Filing fee For each child under the age of 14 filed with sponsored parent. 	\$1,225 \$750
I-485 ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS Attorney Fees	Three services possible: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Processing I-485 (necessary) Interview Prep Accompanying to Interview 	Amount for each part of the process varies by attorney.

MISCELLANEOUS COSTS AND EXPENSES

The individual will also be responsible for the costs of medical exams and photographs required for I-485 processing. These costs cannot be estimated in advance.

* NOTE: Under no circumstances should the individual pay any of these costs.

** The individual is responsible for paying the legal fees, costs and filing fees required at this step out of pocket. Many departments will reimburse these expenses. The department and the individual should discuss options prior to the start of the process.