

TUITION ASSISTANCE AND GRANT PROGRAMS

TUITION ASSISTANCE (TA) OVERVIEW

- The Tuition Assistance (TA) program provides financial assistance for voluntary off-duty education programs in support of a Soldier's personal and professional selfdevelopment goals.
- Tuition Assistance (TA) is available for courses that are offered in the classroom or by distance learning that is part of an approved academic degree or certificate program.
- Current Army policy limits Tuition Assistance (TA) to 130 semester hours of undergraduate credit or baccalaureate degree, whichever comes first. There is a 39 semester hour limit that applies to all credits taken after completion of a baccalaureate degree.
- All eligible army service members will request Tuition Assistance (TA) through ArmylgnitEd.
- Non-Army service members must obtain Tuition Assistance (TA) through their branch of service
- All Tuition Assistance (TA) for Active Duty, USAR and ARNG soldiers must be requested through ArmylgnitEd.
- Service members must meet all required requirements.
- May be combined with other VA Educational Benefits except for Chapter 1606.
- For more information on Tuition Assistance (TA) go to www.armyignited.com

MISSOURI NATIONAL GUARD TUITION ASSISTANCE

- Missouri State Tuition Assistance (TA) provides 100% tuition assistance for students with 10 years or less of military service; for students with 10 to 17 years of service it covers 50% of tuition.
- Missouri State Tuition Assistance (TA) pays for tuition only.
- The program covers up to 39 undergraduate credit hours per year.
- Missouri State Tuition Assistance (TA) is available to all Army National Guard members who meet the required requirements.
- For more information go to http://militaryta.com/benefits/missouri-national-guard-tuition-assistance.shtml.

 All soldiers MUST apply for Federal TA through GoArmyEd before being eligible to being awarded State TA.

WARTIME VETERANS SURVIVORS GRANT

- This grant provides higher education financial aid to the spouses and children of wartime veterans.
- The coordinating board for higher education shall award annually up to 25 grants to survivors of qualifying military members.
- The eligible recipients shall be continued to be awarded annually as long as the recipient achieves and maintains a cumulative grade point average of a 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- The child must be the natural, adopted or stepchild who is less than 25 years of age.
- The veteran must meet certain guidelines to be classified "qualifying military member."
- The coordinating board for higher education shall provide the necessary forms and determine who is eligible for this grant.
- For more information on the Wartime Veterans Survivors Grant go to https://dhewd.mo.gov/ppc/grants/wartimevetsurvivor.php.

MISSOURI RETURNING HEROES EDUCATION ACT

- The tuition charged to combat veterans will be \$50.00 per credit hour as long as the criteria for "combat veteran" is met and the veteran achieves and maintains a cumulative grade point average of at least a 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- The veteran must be enrolled in a degree program leading to a certificate or an associate degree.
- The combat veteran's eligibility for the \$50.00 tuition limitation will expire at the end of the 10 year period beginning on the date of the veteran's last discharge from service.
- The \$50.00 tuition limitation will be provided before all other federal and state aid including Veterans educational benefits for which the veteran is eligible has been applied.
- For more information on the Missouri Returning Heroes Education Act go to https://dhewd.mo.gov/ppc/returningheroesact.php.

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