

# Tuition Assistance

**Are you planning to pursue a college or university degree while in the service? You may be eligible to receive Tuition Assistance benefits.**

## **What is Tuition Assistance?**

Military Tuition Assistance is a benefit paid to eligible members of the Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard. Congress has given each branch of service the ability to pay up to 100 percent of the tuition expenses of its members.

The availability of TA benefits varies by command.

## **Using VA benefits with Tuition Assistance**

In some cases, it's possible to use your VA benefits along with TA to pay fees not covered by TA. However, this may not always be an efficient use of your VA benefits, particularly with the Post-9/11 GI Bill®.

Questions? Contact [sponsorbilling@asu.edu](mailto:sponsorbilling@asu.edu).

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### **1. To find out if you're eligible for TA benefits, contact your unit's Educational Services Officer (ESO) or representative.**

Keep in mind that the availability of TA benefits varies by command, and every situation is different.

#### **Questions to ask your ESO:**

- What paperwork do I need to fill out to find out if I'm eligible?
- What documents will I need to provide?
- What are the dates and timelines that apply?

And be sure to ask your ESO about **TA DECIDE**, a tool developed by the Department of Defense that gives interested service members access to information about the 2,600+ approved schools eligible for TA, such as average TA costs, course completion and graduation requirements, and estimated tuition and fee amounts.

### **2. If you're eligible for TA, visit [students.asu.edu/programs](https://students.asu.edu/programs) to explore degree programs, then submit your application at [admission.asu.edu/apply](https://admission.asu.edu/apply).**

It's possible that the degree program you're interested in will not be included in the list approved by your branch of service. If this is the case, please contact Chris Rauschenbach in the Pat Tillman Veterans Center for advice on degree program choices. Reach him at [christian.rauschenbach@asu.edu](mailto:christian.rauschenbach@asu.edu) or 480-965-3115.

#### **Who to contact with admission questions?**

If you plan on being an online student, contact the Military Enrollment Team at ASU Online at 480-884-0415 or [militaryonline@asu.edu](mailto:militaryonline@asu.edu) to guide you in the admission process and assist you with understanding the ASU Online environment.

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If you are eligible for TA and enroll in an online undergraduate program, the Military Active Duty and Reservist Commitment scholarship will automatically be applied to your tuition costs. Visit [asuonline.asu.edu/military-scholarship](https://asuonline.asu.edu/military-scholarship) to learn more.

If you plan on being an on-campus student, contact the Pat Tillman Veterans Center for admission assistance. Reach us at [ASUVeterans@asu.edu](mailto:ASUVeterans@asu.edu) or 480-727-3416.

**If you're not eligible for TA and still interested in attending ASU, we can help.**

If you plan on being an online student, contact an ASU Online Military Enrollment Team admission representative at 480-884-0415 or [militaryonline@asu.edu](mailto:militaryonline@asu.edu).

If you plan on being an on-campus student, contact the Pat Tillman Veterans Center for admission advice and assistance. Reach us at [ASUVeterans@asu.edu](mailto:ASUVeterans@asu.edu) or 480-727-3416.

### 3. Once you've been admitted to ASU, follow these steps:

- Contact an ASU academic advisor for your degree program to select your classes for your first semester. To find an advisor, look on [my.asu.edu](https://my.asu.edu) for the Academic Advising link in the Academic Support Team box.
- Complete the paperwork to receive your TA voucher from your unit.
- Submit your approved TA voucher to the ASU Student accounts office either by email at [sponsorbilling@asu.edu](mailto:sponsorbilling@asu.edu) or by fax at 480-965-9242. (Please note that once your voucher is received, a \$75 third-party billing fee will be added to your student account.)
- Payment of your TA will be made directly to ASU by your branch of service.