

Federal Tuition Assistance (TA)

Federal Tuition Assistance (TA) is a benefit paid to eligible members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Space Force, and Coast Guard. **The Department of Defense (DoD) has given each service the ability to <u>pay up</u> <u>to \$250 per credit hour of the actual cost of tuition (no fees)</u> during the fiscal year (1 October to 30 September).** TA is authorized for a one-degree program. Service members cannot use TA for a 2nd equivalent or lower degree, i.e., no 2nd bachelor's or master's degree. TA is paid directly to the school by the military services.

Each service has its own criteria for eligibility, obligated service, application process, and restrictions.

Before enrolling, speak with your military service or Educational Services Officer (ESO) to ensure you make an informed decision.

SERVICE	AMOUNT COVERED	WHERE TO APPLY
Army	18 Semester Hours per Fiscal Year \$4500 per Fiscal Year	ArmylgnitED
Navy	16 Semester Hours per Fiscal Year	WebTA
Marine Corps	\$4500 per Fiscal Year	WebTA
Air Force	\$4500 per Fiscal Year	AFVEC
Space Force	\$4500 per Fiscal Year	AFVEC
Coast Guard	\$4500 per Fiscal Year	WebTA
TA is invoiced after the Last Day to Cancel Registration WITHOUT W (100% refund)		

Effective July 7, 2014, the DoD implemented the following policy:

- Reimbursement criteria for non-successful course completion. For the purpose of reimbursement, a successful course completion is defined as a grade of "C" or higher for UG courses and a "B" or higher for GR courses.
- **No fees**, to include supporting instructional fees will be paid using TA. **Only the actual cost of tuition**.
- TA must be requested PRIOR to the start date of the course.
 - <u>Air/Space Force, Army, and Navy Students:</u> TA requests must be submitted **7 DAYS** before the term start date.
 - Coast Guard and Marine Students: TA requests must be submitted **14 DAYS** before the term start date.
- TA **will not** be authorized for any course for which a service member receives reimbursement from any other federal source **when the payment would constitute a duplication of benefits paid to the school**. Federal student aid loans, grants, and work-study programs <u>will not</u> be considered a duplication of benefit.

Military and Veterans Programs

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