



Education Programs

ONGSP DEADLINES

Spring Qtr: 1 FEB
Fall Term: 1 JUL
Summer Term: 1 APR
Winter Qtr: 1 NOV
Spring Sem: 1 NOV

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OHIO NATIONAL GUARD MAKES COLLEGE POSSIBLE

You can serve in the Ohio National Guard while you complete your college education. The Guard offers many programs to help you pay for tuition and other educational expenses. Talk to your recruiter about the education opportunities that will fit your needs.

OHIO NATIONAL GUARD SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- Provides 100 percent tuition to Guard members attending a two- or four- year public college or university.
- Participants must commit to and/or complete a six-year enlistment in the Ohio Guard.
- Scholarship program recipients must maintain good attendance at their unit drills; excessive absenteeism is cause for discharge from the Ohio National Guard. In such cases, Ohio law provides for recoupment of a pro-rated amount of the tuition paid plus interest.
- Minimum enrollment for ONGSP participants is 3 credits
- If Soldier has been mobilized, ONGSP can be used for up to 5 years after discharge, up to the number of months deployed (as long as units of eligibility remain)
- **Apply online before deadlines at www.ongsp.ohio.gov**



Additional Scholarship Opportunities

Select Veterans Service Organizations offer scholarship opportunities to active military personnel, National Guard members, Reserve members, Veterans and family members. Please utilize the links below to learn more about available scholarships:

AMVETS: www.amvets.org/amvets-in-action/scholarships
American Legion: www.legion.org/scholarships
Veterans of Foreign Wars: www.vfw.org/Youth

FEDERAL TUITION ASSISTANCE

The FTA program provides financial assistance for voluntary off-duty education programs in support of a Soldier's professional and personal self-development goals. FTA is available for courses that are offered in the classroom or by distance learning. The courses must be offered by schools that are registered in GoArmyEd and are accredited by **accrediting agencies** that are recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Search for accreditation information on a specific institution at <http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation/Search.aspx>.

- Available to all current members of the ARNG
- Level of Education Supported; Certification, Associate, Baccalaureate or Masters Degree
- Must not be flagged for any reason – HT/WT & PT now included
- College or university must have signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)– check for your school at www.dodmou.com
- Pays up to \$250 per semester hour/16 Semester Hours per FY
- Must apply prior to the start date of the course/ Can apply up to 60 days prior
- Apply online at www.GoArmyEd.com
- **UPDATE: Soldiers within 3 years of separation (ETS), may use up to 21 semester hours in addition to their 130 undergraduate semester hours maximum and 39 graduate semester hours maximum to pursue a Transition or Academic Certificate.**

GI BILL PROGRAM AND BENEFITS

The GI Bill is a federally funded program administered by the military services and the Department of Veterans Affairs. Each GI Bill program offers 36 months of educational assistance for full-time study. Assistance may be used for college degree and certificate programs, co-op training, technical or vocational courses, flight training, apprenticeships or on-the-job training, high-tech training, licensing and certification tests, entrepreneurship training, certain entrance examinations, and correspondence courses.

Selected Reserve (MGIB-SR), Chapter 1606

For Reservist with a six-years obligation in the Selected Reserve-including the National Guard and other Reserve Forces who are actively drilling.

Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP), Chapter 1607

Provides education assistance to members of the Ready Reserve components called or ordered to Active Duty on or after September 11, 2001 in response to a war or national emergency declared by the President or Congress.

Active Duty (MGIB-AD), Chapter 30

Provides education assistance to service members who have at least two years of Active Duty on or after July 1, 1985.

Post 9/11, Chapter 33

For Soldiers with at least 90 days of Active Duty service on or after September 11, 2001, the Post-9/11 GI Bill can cover up to 100 percent of your tuition, depending on the length of time you've served. You may also be eligible for a housing allowance and a stipend for books and supplies. While currently serving your benefits may be transferable to your dependents. To transfer to your Spouse you must have served at least six years in any branch of the Armed Forces. To transfer to dependent children you must have served at least ten years. You'll also find information about the **Yellow Ribbon Program**, which can help pay higher private school, graduate school or out-of-state tuition.

MAXIMIZE YOUR MILITARY EDUCATION

Resources	Resource Description
OhioLearns www.estudentservices.org/ohiolearns	OhioLearns is the one-stop site for anyone interested in college level distance or e-learning in Ohio. The OhioLearns searchable catalog includes courses as well as degrees and certificates from Ohio two- and four-year, public and private, higher education institutions.
GoArmyEd www.GoArmyEd.com	GoArmyEd is the virtual gateway for you to request FTA online, anytime for both classroom and distance learning college courses. It is your one-stop location for managing your college education and using FTA benefits. GoArmyEd gives you access to thousands of regionally accredited colleges and universities and over 1,000 available degree plans.
Joint Services Transcript jst.doded.mil	Joint Services Transcript (Replaced AARTS) prepares official transcript of military education, training and experience with descriptions and credit recommendations developed by the American Council on Education (ACE)
CLEP Testing www.collegeboard.org	The College-Level Examination Program® (CLEP) offers you the opportunity to earn college credit for what you already know by earning qualifying scores on any of 33 introductory-level college subject examinations. Because the exams are funded by the United States government through the Defense Activity for Non Traditional Education Support (DANTES), you could save hundreds, even thousands, of dollars toward your degree.
DANTES Testing www.dantes.doded.mil	The Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES) helps service members and veterans pursue their educational goals and earn degrees or certifications both during and after their service. DANTES is a Department of Defense agency that provides leadership and support for this important effort through partnerships across the education community.

