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Fact Sheet Veterans Education (VetEd) Reimbursement Grant

This publication only contains summary information on this benefit. For more information, please visit the WDVA website at https://dva.wi.gov/Pages/educationEmployment/Vet-Ed-Reimbursement-Grant.aspx.

The VetEd grant reimburses eligible tuition and fees for courses taken for credit when a veteran is a Wisconsin resident, is living in Wisconsin, and enrolled as an undergraduate at an approved school. The grant reimburses the lesser of the actual tuition and fees paid or the UW-Madison undergraduate rate. Eligible fees include Segregated Fees (UW System) and Material Fees (Wisconsin Technical College System). To be eligible, the veteran cannot have earned a bachelor's degree. Depending on program usage and budget, the percentage of reimbursement may be adjusted by WDVA.

Eligible veterans may receive the Federal Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB) and the VetEd grant for the same academic period (course, term, or semester). Veterans eligible for both the WI GI Bill and the VetEd grant and attending a public institution (UW or Tech College) are required to use the WI GI Bill prior to the VetEd grant. Veterans eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill cannot receive a VetEd grant. For more information go to https://dva.wi.gov/Pages/educationEmployment/Education.aspx.

To receive a VetEd grant, the veteran must submit an application (WDVA 2200) to WDVA, through a County or Tribal Veteran Service Officer or an agent authorized by WDVA no later than 60 days after the start of the academic period. Submitting an electronic, online application is preferred to ensure proof of timely submission. To submit an online application, applicants should first establish an account on myWisVets—at https://applications.dva.wisconsin.gov/myWisVets/. For application form WDVA 2200, go to https://dva.wi.gov/Pages/newsMedia/WDVAToolKit.aspx.

For a non-public school to be eligible for the VetEd grant, it must award academic credit and be approved by WDVA's State Approving Agency (SAA) or the Wisconsin Education Approval Program (EAP). Minnesota schools approved for reciprocity are also eligible if the veteran has been accepted into the reciprocity program. The number of reimbursable credits is based on active-duty time. Active-duty time does not include *Active Duty for Training Purposes*.

Active-Duty TimeMaximum Number of Credits90 to 180 days30 credits or two semesters181 to 730 days60 credits or four semesters731 days or more120 credits or eight semesters

Veterans must have at least a 2.0 grade point average for the academic period.

If a veteran is eligible for or received a grant under the National Guard Tuition Grant (NGTG) or Reserve Tuition Assistance Program (TAP), the veteran is not eligible for the VetEd grant regardless of whether the veteran applied for these programs.

Veterans may use the VetEd grant for full-time or part-time study for the first 10 years after leaving active duty (delimiting date). For academic periods that begin after May 27, 2010, WDVA may reimburse for up

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to 11 credits when a veteran is enrolled full-time after his or her delimiting date. After the delimiting date, WDVA will bank up to 60 unused credits and track the credits as they are used. During summer sessions, the reimbursement is not limited to 11 credits.

To be eligible for the VetEd, the veteran's household income must be below \$50,000, plus \$1,000 for each dependent in excess of two dependents. Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) from the current tax return is used to determine a veterans household income.

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