Colorado National Guard
State Tuition Assistance
Office

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Do I qualify for CO National Guard State Tuition Assistance?

1. Has it been at least 6 months since your Date of Entry (DOE) into the CO National Guard and have you been actively serving the entire time?

2. Are you satisfactorily performing as a CO National Guard member, including passing PT scores, no counseling, and have no flags on your file?

3. Does your Expiration Term of Service (ETS) end after the last day of your semester?

4. Do you currently have a 2.5 cumulative grade point average (CGPA) or are you a brand new student and have never attended college before?

If you answered YES to ALL the questions above, you may be eligible to apply!

For a complete list of State TA eligible schools, see the back of this pamphlet.

How Do I Apply?

APPLY EVERY SEMESTER ONLINE AT:

www.colorado.gov/dmva

Refer to the list of sessions below to determine what semester your classes fall in. Application deadlines are posted on our website.

Summer Session - Class starts between: May 1st – July 31st (funding sometimes available)

Fall Session - Class starts between: August 1st – December 31st

Spring Session - Class starts between: January 1st – April 30th

*CSU Global Applicants and students on trimester systems: Review class starts carefully. All class start dates falling in the ranges above must be registered for enrollment during the open State TA application period. Missing enrollments may not be awarded.

Document and Submission Checklist for applicants and FAQ’s available on our website. Please review and utilize these resources to ensure you submit a complete application packet!

Submit a STATE TA PACKET WITH ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION BY THE DEADLINE POSTED ON WEBSITE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ELIGIBILITY. ONLINE APPLICATIONS ONLY ACCEPTED. A SUBMISSION DOES NOT GUARANTEE AUTOMATIC APPROVAL.*

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What does State Tuition Assistance cover?
A. In-state Tuition only (after the Colorado Opportunity Fund (COF) stipend is applied). COF not available at all State schools. State TA does not cover fees, books or living expenses. Funds are only issued to schools, not applicants.

Q. Is there a cap on CO National Guard State Tuition Assistance?
A. Yes, 132 semester/credit hours or 8 calendar years, whichever is reached first.

Q. Is there a cap on how much State TA I can receive in a semester/trimester?
A. Yes. Up to $5,000 per semester/trimester. Awards based on funding availability, subject to change.

Q. If I receive a grant or scholarship that is applied towards my tuition, will that impact my eligibility for CO National Guard State Tuition Assistance?
A. Yes. Any grant or scholarship that is specifically applied towards your tuition, may reduce your eligibility. Student loans are not considered a grant or scholarship and will not be counted against your eligibility.

Q. If I apply for CO National Guard State Tuition Assistance and also Federal Tuition Assistance (GOARMYED), can I use both sources to pay for my schooling? What about my GI Bill?
A. Yes, in most cases. Be aware that CO National Guard State Tuition Assistance will always be applied towards your tuition balance first. You can apply for Federal TA (GOARMYED) on your remaining tuition balance. Or, you can apply for GI Bill funding. Chpt. 1606/1607 GI Bill funding and Federal TA (GOARMYED) cannot be used simultaneously for the same courses.

Please note: Tuition paid from any tuition assistance source cannot exceed 100%.

Q. How will I know if I have been approved?
A. The CO National Guard State Tuition Assistance office will review your application packet (this may take several weeks). You will be notified via the email address you registered your State TA account with.