



UTAH NATIONAL GUARD EDUCATION BENEFITS

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Part-time or Full-time Enrollment



FEDERAL TUITION ASSISTANCE (Army Only)

- Pays up to \$250 per semester hour for up to 16 credits each fiscal year (01 OCT - 30 SEP). FTA goes toward tuition only; it does not pay for any fees.
- Can be used for first associate, bachelor's (up to 130 semester hours) and/or graduate degree (up to 39 credit hours)
- Apply for funding prior to each semester based on your current schedule and the school will be paid directly based on the funding approved.
- Can be used for your first associate and/or bachelor's degree, first master's degree, and an academic certificate.
- Can be used for part-time or full-time enrollment
- You must be actively drilling, cannot be flagged, and your class must end before your ETS date.
- Officers/Warrant Officers subject to a four-year Reserve Duty Service obligation (RDSO) or two-year Active-Duty Service obligation (ADSO) following the end date of FTA-funded courses.
- Applications for FTA are processed entirely through the site <https://www.ArmyIgnitED.army.mil>

CREDENTIALING ASSISTANCE (CA) (Army Only)

- Can pay up to \$4000 per fiscal year toward training costs, fees, books, supplies, exams, etc. for credentials listed on Army COOL, <https://www.cool.osd.mil/army/index.htm>.
- If you are using FTA also, the \$4000 is a maximum between both programs.
- May be used with any vendor that can help you get the credential you're looking for. However, vendors must be vetted and approved by ACCESS ArmyU - <https://armyuniversity.edu/ACCESS/home>
- CA Requests must be submitted at least 45 business days before the start date.
- The Army will pay the vendor directly before you start; reimbursement is not authorized.
- Can be used regardless of your education level.
- Vendor must be contacted before requesting CA to provide a personalized quote/invoice.
- Must be actively drilling, cannot be flagged, and your end date must be before your ETS date.
- Applications for CA are processed entirely through the site <https://www.armyignited.army.mil>

OFFICE CONTACT INFO

- Office: (801) 432-4400, option 6.
- Web site: <https://guard.utah.gov/education-services/>
- LinkTree: <https://linktr.ee/utarngeducation>
- Group email: nq.ut.utarnq.mbx.education-office@army.mil
- Monday-Thursday 0700-1630 (Closed all federal holidays)
- Facebook/Instagram: <https://www.facebook.com/utarngeducation>





STATE PROGRAMS (Army and Air)



State Tuition Assistance (STA)



- Covers Tuition, Fees, and Materials up to \$7,000/year.
- Can be used for part-time or full-time.
- If Army, must use FTA first (if eligible).
- Must apply for State Tuition Waiver (STW) first if attending public college full-time (12–18 SH).
- Must maintain: C or higher (undergrad), B or higher (graduate).
- Service Obligation: 2 years (undergrad or below), 3 years (graduate/professional).
- Email application to:
- Army: ng.ut.utarng.mbx.education-office@army.mil
- Air: 151.arw.sta.org@us.af.mil

State Tuition Waiver (STW)

- Available at Utah public colleges & universities - <https://ushe.edu/>
- Waives base tuition for Fall & Spring semesters.
- For first associate or bachelor's degree.
- Must attend full-time (12–18 credits/semester).
- Apply between Jan 1 – Apr 30 for the next academic year.
- Minimum GPA: 2.0 overall (2.75 for USU).
- May use STA to cover fees.
- Must be actively drilling and not flagged.
- Service Obligation: 2 years past the end of academic year.
- Email application to: ng.ut.utarng.mbx.education-office@army.mil

Student School Loan Repayment (SSLR) *NEW for FY26!

- Covers up to \$7,000 per fiscal year toward student loan repayment.
- Must choose between STA or SSLR each fiscal year.
- Must have completed the degree.
- Same eligibility criteria as STA.
- Service Obligation: 2 years with the Utah National Guard (UTNG).
- How to apply:
 - Completed SSLR application (available at)
 - Provide a current loan account statement
 - Provide proof of all post secondary diplomas
- Email application to: ng.ut.utarng.mbx.education-office@army.mil