Higher Education Eligibility Requirements

Applicant Enrollment:

1. Enrolled or planning to enroll in a program of study at an accredited college or university (2 year, 4 year, or post graduate program)

2. Enrolled or planning to enroll in an accredited technical or trade school program, which results in a certificate or license

DEPENDENT OF SERVICE MEMBER (Information needed, with applicable documentation listed below):

✓ current Military ID - must provide copy of front and back (must show service member as sponsor) OR State-Issued Birth Certificate (listing service member as a parent) AND one of the below, IF APPLICABLE:
  ➢ State-Issued Marriage License (if step-child of the service member)
  ➢ Legal adoption papers (if adopted child of the service member)
  ➢ Legal guardianship document (if legal ward of the service member)

SPOUSE OF SERVICE MEMBER (Information needed, with applicable documentation listed below)

✓ current Military ID - must provide front and back (must show service member as sponsor) OR State-Issued Marriage License. (Service Member Spouse can be remarried and will need to provide deceased spouse’s military service document. Spouse is no longer eligible if legally separated or divorced.)

Required Service Member Documentation

✓ DD214/DD1300 - most current/final used to verify SM name, branch, rank, years of service, decorations, and character of service; guard or reserves may not reflect most current rank or years of service (additional upload bar in application may be used for additional military documentation to verify current rank and years of service)

  - Classification must be one of the following:
    ➢ KIA – must provide DD1300
    ➢ Killed in the Line of Duty (includes suicide) – must provide DD1300
    ➢ Deceased with a VA disability rating - post separation (includes accident, illness or suicide) – must provide service member’s DD214 AND the following applicable document(s):
      - If death was deemed service-connected: Service member’s VA Decision Letter verifying the service member died due to a service-connected disability, OR
      - If death not deemed service-connected: Service member’s final VA Benefit Summary Letter (10% or higher), AND a state-issued death certificate
- Disabled with a VA disability rating (10% or higher) – must provide service member’s current year VA Benefit Summary Letter AND DD214
- Active Duty (MUST have a PURPLE HEART) – must provide service member’s current duty orders AND Purple Heart documentation. *Only applicable for Higher Education applicants*

- **Supplemental Information** – if applicable to the service member
  - Loss of Limb – must provide medical proof of limb amputation (hand, arm, foot or leg)
  - Purple Heart – must provide official military documentation

✓ **VA Benefit Summary Letter** – dated current year or one year prior (link & step-by-step instructions on Scholarships page for service member to print a letter); must include the service member’s combined service-connected evaluation of at least 10% or higher (we do not use compensation percentage) - used to verify service member’s combined service-connected rating percentage.

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