

Non-Federal Scholarships or Funding for Student Veterans

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Introduction

The Technical Assistance (TA) team at the Clearinghouse for Military Family Readiness at Penn State (Clearinghouse) conducted a brief search for funding opportunities or scholarships that may be available to student veterans at Penn State. Please note that the information on federal funding sources (e.g., Post-9/11 GI Bill) is not included in this document. In addition, this document is not intended to serve as a comprehensive review of available scholarships or funding opportunities, and the resources provided are not endorsed by the Clearinghouse.

The TA team identified eight sources of non-federal funding that may be useful for student veterans at Penn State. A brief description and a link to a corresponding website for each of these funding sources is provided below. Funding sources are listed alphabetically.

Non-Federal Funding Sources for Student Veterans

Allied Van Lines Military Scholarship

Allied Van Lines offers two \$1,000 military scholarships. Veterans, active duty Service members, Guard and Reserve members, and all military family members (i.e., spouses and children up to age 21) who are pursuing an undergraduate degree in Logistics, Supply Chain Management, Operational Management, or equivalent fields are eligible to apply. To learn more about the application process, eligibility requirements, and required documentation, please visit the website below.

<u>https://www.allied.com/military-scholarship</u>

American Veterans (AMVETS) Scholarships

AMVETS offers two \$4,000 scholarships annually to veterans or active duty Service members. These scholarships are designed to fulfill a financial gap after all federal and state educational grants and scholarships have been utilized (i.e., all other means have been exhausted). Separate scholarships are available to spouses and children or grandchildren of veterans or Service members. To learn more about the application process, eligibility requirements, and required documentation, please visit the website below.

• <u>https://amvets.org/scholarships/</u>

Armed Forces Communication and Electronics Association (AFCEA) War Veterans Scholarship

The AFCEA War Veterans Scholarship offers \$2,500 merit-based scholarships to veterans or active duty Service members, including Reservists and National Guard personnel, who were deployed overseas in support of one of the Overseas Contingency Operations (i.e., Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn, Operation Inherent Resolve, or Operation Freedom's Sentinel). Applicants must be currently enrolled as a sophomore or junior in an undergraduate Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math major at a U.S.-based, accredited institution at the time of application. To learn more about the application process, eligibility requirements, and required documentation, please visit the website below.

• <u>https://www.afcea.org/site/?q=foundation/scholarships/war-veterans</u>

Army Women's Foundation (AWF) Legacy Scholarship Program

The AWF Legacy Scholarship program offers up to \$2,500 per scholarship to female veterans or active duty Service members from the Army, Army Reserve, or Army National Guard and their children. Scholarships are available for those accepted into a certificate program or community college for up to \$1,000 and those currently enrolled in an undergraduate program or accepted into a graduate program for up to \$2,500. The scholarship committee will review applications for each category (i.e., certificate program, community college, undergraduate program, and graduate program) separately and determine the number and dollar amount of scholarships awarded for each category. To learn more about the application process, eligibility requirements, and required documentation, please visit the website below.

• <u>https://www.awfdn.org/scholarships/general-information/</u>

Army Nurse Corps Association's (ANCA) Scholarship Program

The ANCA's Scholarship program awards \$3,000 to U.S. Army veterans or Service members, including Army National Guard and Army Reserve, and their families (i.e., spouses, children, and parents) who are enrolled in an undergraduate or advanced degree nursing or nurse anesthesia program. Applicants cannot be receiving funding from the U.S. Army. To learn more about the application process, eligibility requirements, and required documentation, please visit the website below.

<u>https://e-anca.org/Scholarships</u>

Education Connection Military Scholarship

The Education Connection Military Scholarship awards one \$1,000 scholarship annually to a veteran, active duty Service member, or military spouse who is enrolled or will enroll

no later than the fall of the year under consideration (i.e., 2021) in an accredited institution of higher learning. To learn more about the application process, eligibility requirements, and required documentation, please visit the website below.

• https://www.educationconnection.com/online-colleges/military-scholarship/

Pat Tillman Foundation Scholars Program

The Tillman Scholars program is open to veterans or active duty Service members, including the National Guard, and their spouses (current and surviving spouses are eligible). Applicants must be full-time students pursuing an undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree at a U.S.-based, accredited institution for the upcoming fall or spring academic year. To learn more about the application process, eligibility requirements, and required documentation, please visit the website below.

• https://pattillmanfoundation.org/tillman-scholars-military-scholarships/#0

Veterans of Foreign Wars' (VFW) Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship

The VFW's Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship is open to veterans and active duty Service members, including the National Guard or Reserve, who have completed Basic Training and follow-on training and have separated from the military with, or currently hold, a rank of E-5 and below. Applicants must currently be enrolled or accepted into a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs-approved school at an accredited post-secondary institution. To learn more about the application process, eligibility requirements, and required documentation, please visit the website below.

• <u>https://www.vfw.org/assistance/student-veterans-support</u>