## Tuition Assistance (TA) DECIDE

TA DECIDE is an information and comparison tool designed specifically to aid participants of DoD's Tuition Assistance (TA) program in making informed choices on schools and education programs. Learn more about TA DECIDE.

Illinois Central College offers in-district tuition rate for active-duty military service members and members of the National Guard and Reserves, so Tuition Assistance covers up to 100 percent of tuition.

We've outlined the steps to apply below, including the documentation required to verify your eligibility.

**Note:** All active-duty service members (including Guard and Reserve) must contact their Education Service Officer (ESO) or Education Counselor within their branch of service prior to enrolling . Before your tuition can be covered by TA, you must submit documentation to verify your eligibility. If you do not submit appropriate documentation (TA tuition voucher and/or approval) within the deadline, your tuition rate could change and the service member will become responsible for tuition and fees.

## **Military Branches**

Each branch of the military handles Tuition Assistance a little differently. If you are in the Army, you will use GoArmyEd to register for courses and have Tuition Assistance applied.

If you're in the Air Force, you'll apply for Tuition Assistance through the <u>Air Force Virtual</u> <u>Education Center</u>.

If you are in the Coast Guard, Navy, or Marine Corps, you will need to contact your Education Center to request a tuition assistance form. Once you have the tuition assistance form signed by your education coordinator, submit it at the time of registration using one of the following methods:

**E-mail:** Please e-mail your tuition assistance form to <u>veterans@icc.edu</u> Fax: If fax is the only way you can submit your tuition assistance form, please fax it to 309.697.5769.

Please allow 48 hours for your student account to be updated. After your tuition assistance form is posted to your student account, the amount assumed by the agency is deferred to the agency account. No exchange of money has taken place at this time. Illinois Central College reserves the right to reinstate all unpaid tuition assistance invoices back to your student account. You are ultimately responsible for all charges.

Tuition assistance forms that are not received within the allotted semester (fall, spring, or summer) will not be posted. Exceptions will be made for deployed soldiers or corrections.

If you are using Tuition Assistance and withdraw from a course prior to completing 60 percent of the course, you may be required to pay a portion of the tuition, in accordance with Department of Defense regulations. You can view Illinois Central College's Institutional Policy on unearned TA funds here ICC Unearned TA policy

For more information, contact your military branch for details on your eligibility and the branch's process for submitting the tuition assistance forms.

- Air Force / Air Force Reserve / Air National Guard
- <u>Army / Army Reserve / Army National Guard</u>
- <u>Coast Guard</u>
- Marine Corps / Marine Corps Reserve
- Navy / Navy Reserve
- National Guard
- <u>Air National Guard</u>