

Using the Tuition Assistance at Harding University

School Year: 2022-2023

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How much will TA pay towards my courses?

- \$250 per credit hour, up to \$4,500 per school year.
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- TA is limited to 130 undergraduate (bachelors) level hours, and 39 graduate (masters) level hours.

How do I apply to use TA?

- Airmen must input their request through the [Air Force Virtual Education Center \(AFVEC\)](#).
- Once the request is approved by your supervisor, forward a copy of your approved/signed TA form to the VA School Certifying Official.
- After Harding's add/drop period, Harding's Military Account Manager located in the Business Office will invoice and request funds from the Air Force.
- Set up your account in [ArmyIgnited](#).
- Create your education path and notify Harding's VA SCO of your entry.
- Once your education path is approved by Harding and the SCO has uploaded your semester schedule to the portal, request TA funding through your ArmyIgnited account.
- Three weeks after your course(s) begin, Harding's Military Account Manager in the Business Office will be able to invoice/bill the Army for those funds.

Service members should contact their [State Education Service Installation Specialists](#) with questions regarding their application for Tuition Assistance.

Application deadline for TA:

- No earlier than 45 days before classes begin, no later than 7 days before classes begin.
- Any TA requests not approved by 7 days before term begins will be deleted from AFVEC.
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What happens if I fail a class?

- Any student making a "D" or an "F" grade will be required to reimburse TA funds for that course to the Air Force.
- Students must maintain a 2.0 GPA to be eligible for TA funds.
- Soldiers who do not successfully complete their TA approved course will be required to reimburse those funds to the Army.

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Can I use VA benefits at the same time as Tuition Assistance?

- Generally yes, however, funding cannot be duplicated.
 - Ch. 33 Post 9/11 GI Bill® - Any TA funding will reduce the amount of funds the VA will send through Post 9/11 funding. For example, if a student is Post 9/11 at 100%, are receiving \$1,500 in TA for the semester, and their tuition/fees amounts total 10,000, Harding's SCO will only be allowed to bill the VA for \$8,500.
 - Ch. 1606: Montgomery GI Bill® - Yes, as long as the student's rate of pursuit is at least half-time (six hours for undergraduates, 5 hours for graduate students).
 - Ch. 30: Montgomery GI Bill® - Students cannot use TA and Ch. 30 on the same courses. For example, A student is enrolled in BIOL 1110, BNEW 1010, COMM 1010, and ART 1010. They have requested TA for BIOL 1100 and BNEW 1010. They can then use Ch. 30 benefits on COMM 1010 and ART 1010.
 - Ch. 30: Montgomery GI Bill® Tuition Assistance Top Up (TATU) – Students not on active duty and approved for TATU must use their Ch. 30 benefits in conjunction with Tuition Assistance. VA will pay the difference between what TA pays and the total cost the course.

Does Harding give tuition discounts for Active Duty or Veteran Soldiers?

- Harding does not currently provide any tuition discounts for military affiliated students.

Will I receive transfer credit for my time in service?

Probably.

- When you provide a copy of your military transcript (Joint Services Transcript, Community College of the Air Force, etc), we should be able to grant you credit for:
 - KINS 1010: Wellness
 - KINS 1330: Recreational Activities
 - Other transfer hours will be based on what you did while in service and how it relates to your major(s) and/or minor.
 - Please contact the VA SCO for how to obtain credit for ROTC.
- Harding will not transfer hours for the sake of transferring hours. However, if there are hours that can be used to satisfy a graduation requirement, we will transfer those hours over to your Harding transcript.
 - These hours will not help or hurt your GPA, but you will receive hours towards graduation.

Does Harding have a Veteran's group on campus?

- Yes. The Harding University Veteran's Association (HUVA) is active every semester and represents all branches of service. You can find them on Facebook or contact the SCO for more information.

For more information, please visit the [GI Bill® website](#) or contact the SCO.

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