



# STUDENT FINANCIAL AID BULLETIN

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Act 279 of the 2023 Regular Legislative Session of the Louisiana Legislature establishes the Louisiana National Guard Patriot Scholarship, which provides scholarships to Louisiana National Guard members who are enrolled in a Louisiana public postsecondary institution and who are eligible for a Louisiana National Guard tuition waiver. The scholarship program provides for the payment of mandatory fees charged to the student by the postsecondary institution.

**Initial Eligibility Requirements:**

- Be a member in good standing with the Louisiana National Guard
- Be eligible to receive the Louisiana National Guard tuition waiver, and
- Be enrolled in at least one credit hour or more at a Louisiana public postsecondary institution

**Continuing Eligibility Requirements:**

- Be a member in good standing with the Louisiana National Guard
- Be eligible to receive the Louisiana National Guard tuition waiver as of the school’s census date
- Not have received the scholarship for more than 12 semesters or 16 quarters
- Not be on academic probation
- Not received the scholarship for more than four years **unless granted an extension due to mobilization or call to active duty**, and
- Not achieved a baccalaureate degree utilizing the funds for the program

**Award Information:**

The award amount **is** equal to mandatory fees charged as evidenced on the student’s fee bill. The postsecondary institution shall determine the award amount for eligible students. Eligibility for the award is 12 semesters or 16 quarters. Part-time enrollment in summer sessions count towards the maximum number of semesters or quarters.

The award year begins with fall semester or term and ends immediately prior to the next fall semester or term and includes all semesters, quarters, and terms.

Questions regarding the Louisiana National Guard Patriot Scholarship should be sent to [Patriot.Scholarship@la.gov](mailto:Patriot.Scholarship@la.gov).