



Troops to College

Fact Sheet

California State University, California Community Colleges, and the University of California have partnered to provide active duty and eligible veterans information, enrollment guidance and assistance, and data about other programs offered by California's public institutions of higher education. Working with the Department of Veterans' Affairs, the Office of the Secretary of Education, the Labor and Workforce Development Agency, and military branches within the state, the partnership is working to ensure that military personnel are aware of all the advantages of enrolling in public colleges and universities.

These advantages include:

- California's higher education system includes 109 California Community Colleges campuses, 23 California State University campuses, and the 10 campuses of the University of California.
- All active duty military and their dependents are eligible for waiver of non-resident fees while attending undergraduate studies within the California state public systems.
- All active duty military and their dependents are eligible for waiver of non-resident fees for one year while attending graduate studies within the California state public college systems.
- Dependents of service-connected disabled veterans may be eligible for waiver of system-wide fees while attending any of the campuses within the California state public systems.
- Veterans and active duty students may use their Montgomery GI Bill benefits while attending any of the campuses within the California state system. Active duty service members may use tuition assistance and other educational benefits while attending any of the campuses within the California state public systems.
- Many campuses have veteran service offices dedicated to helping veterans and active duty personnel to take advantage of the incredible opportunities offered on campus and to make full use of their benefits.
- Most campuses have veteran specific web-pages to provide information to active duty military personnel, veterans and their dependents, to facilitate learning about educational programs, and campus life.
- Campuses offer a wide range of opportunities from vocational education to degree programs.
- Veteran education opportunities are enhanced through the cooperative efforts of the campuses, local military bases, educational service officers, county veteran service offices, veteran service organizations and others dedicated to delivery of these benefits to eligible veterans, service members and their dependents.

For more information, please visit your local campus and educational services office, or visit the California Department of Veterans Affairs education portal at www.cdva.ca.gov/vetsed/.