



Tuition Waiver Request for Dependents of 100% Disabled, POW/MIA, Deceased Veterans

(RCW 28B.15.621) – See reverse for regulations

Student Information

Name: _____
Last First M.I.

ctcLink ID Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Date of Disability Rating, Death, or POW/MIA Status: _____

Please list all previous college(s) in WA State that you have utilized this full tuition waiver:

Please provide copies of the following documents:

- VA Disability Letter, or Letter Verifying Service-Connected Cause of Death, or POW/MIA Status
- Marriage/Birth Certificate, or CH 35 Eligibility Letter

**I understand that I will only remain eligible for the dependent tuition waiver until my 27th birthday (child) or 10 years from the date of disability/death (spouse), and while residing in the State of Washington. If receiving the waiver as a spouse and remarry, or if living outside of the State of Washington, I must notify the BC Veterans Resource Center and the waiver will be deactivated, per RCW 28B.15.621.*

Student Signature Date

To Be Completed by Veterans Resource Center Staff

Mark received and/or completed item(s):

- VA Disability Letter, or Letter Verifying Service-Connected Cause of Death or POW/MIA Status
- Marriage/Birth Certificate, or CH 35 Eligibility Letter
- Student Group updated in ctcLink
- Tuition waiver applied, inc. deactivation date

VRC Staff Signature Date

Excerpt from WA State RCW 28B.15.621

<https://app.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=28B.15.621>

(4) Subject to the conditions in subsection (5) of this section and the limitations in RCW 28B.15.910, the governing boards of the state universities, the regional universities, The Evergreen State College, and the community and technical colleges, shall waive all tuition and fees for the following persons:

(a) A child and the spouse or the domestic partner or surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner of an eligible veteran or national guard member who became totally disabled as a result of serving in active federal military or naval service, or who is determined by the federal government to be a prisoner of war or missing in action; and

(b) A child and the surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner of an eligible veteran or national guard member who lost his or her life as a result of serving in active federal military or naval service.

(5) The conditions in this subsection (5) apply to waivers under subsection (4) of this section.

(a) A child must be a Washington domiciliary between the age of seventeen and twenty-six to be eligible for the tuition waiver. A child's marital status does not affect eligibility.

(b)(i) A surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner must be a Washington domiciliary.

(ii)(A) A surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner of the eligible veteran or national guard member has ten years to receive benefits under the waiver from whichever date occurs last:

(I) The date of the death;

(II) The date of total disability;

(III) Federal determination of service-connected death or total disability; or

(IV) Federal determination of prisoner of war or missing in action status.

(B) Upon remarriage or registration in a subsequent domestic partnership, the surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner is ineligible for the waiver of all tuition and fees.

(c) Each recipient's continued participation is subject to the school's satisfactory progress policy.

(d) Tuition waivers for graduate students are not required for those who qualify under subsection (4) of this section but are encouraged.

(e) Recipients who receive a waiver under subsection (4) of this section may attend full-time or part-time. Total credits earned using the waiver may not exceed two hundred fifty quarter credits, or the equivalent of semester credits.

(8) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section.

(a) "Child" means a biological child, adopted child, or stepchild.

(b) "Eligible veteran or national guard member" means a Washington domiciliary who was an active or reserve member of the United States military or naval forces, or a national guard member called to active duty, who served in active federal service, under either Title 10 or Title 32 of the United States Code, in a war or conflict fought on foreign soil or in international waters or in support of those serving on foreign soil or in international waters, and if discharged from service, has received an honorable discharge or any other discharge if the sole reason for discharge is due to gender or sexuality.

(c) "Totally disabled" means a person who has been determined to be one hundred percent disabled by the federal department of veterans affairs.

(d) "Washington domiciliary" means a person whose true, fixed, and permanent house and place of habitation is the state of Washington. "Washington domiciliary" includes a person who is residing in rental housing or residing in base housing. In ascertaining whether a child or surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner is domiciled in the state of Washington, public institutions of higher education shall, to the fullest extent possible, rely upon the standards provided in RCW 28B.15.013.