

Spouse/Dependent Tuition Waiver Academic Year (AY) 2024 – 2025

What is a Spouse/Dependent Tuition Waiver? Eastern Washington University provides tuition waivers to eligible veteran's spouses and dependents per RCW 28B.15.621. The waiver covers tuition, including operating, building, S&A components, along with course fees. Overload, self-support and summer tuition is also waived. **Mandatory (Technology/Recreation Center Fee/STA/PUB), program (such as study abroad) and late tuition payment fees are the responsibility of the student.**

Who is Eligible?

- 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
- 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.

What are the limitations?

- 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.
- A surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner must be a Washington domiciliary.
- A surviving spouse or surviving domestic partner has ten years from whichever date occurs last: the date of the death, or total disability, or federal determination of prisoner of war or missing in action status to receive benefits under the waiver. 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.
- Reference State House Bill 2014-S2 effective June 6, 2024 for complete definition of "Eligible veteran or national guard member".
- Eligibility and continued participation is subject to the school's satisfactory progress policy as this waiver is a form of State Financial Aid. Eligibility is limited to 250 earned credits, including transfer hours.
- Coursework pursued must be degree seeking. Eligibility extends to undergraduate degrees only. The waiver can not be applied to Graduate Programs.
- Students may not receive the waiver in combination with any other tuition waiver/payment from EWU, another agency or program.
- "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.

How to apply?

Complete and submit the attached application with all required documentation by the quarterly deadline.

Quarterly Application Deadlines (10th class day of each term):

- **Fall 2024: Apply on or before October 2, 2024**
- **Winter 2025: Apply on or before January 21, 2025**
- **Spring 2025: Apply on or before April 11, 2025**
- **Summer 2025: Apply on or before June 27, 2025**

**Application for the Tuition Waiver does not guarantee receipt of the award.
Application must be made each academic year to be considered**

