

University of Illinois

Children of Veterans Tuition Waiver Application

The Children of Veterans Tuition Waiver is a four-year (consecutive) tuition waiver at the University of Illinois. If you are awarded the waiver, it will cover your in-state tuition (for undergraduate, graduate, or professional studies) at the University of Illinois (Urbana-Champaign, Chicago, Health Sciences Center, Springfield, or Global Campus). **The priority deadline to apply is March 1, 2009.** If we receive your application after the priority deadline we will consider it ONLY if the waiver for the war and county for which you are applying has not yet been awarded to an earlier applicant. You will be notified by April 1, 2009 whether you have been selected to receive the waiver.

Eligibility Requirements

1. You must be a permanent resident of the Illinois County from which you apply, and also must be considered a resident of the State of Illinois. *This tuition waiver will not waive out-of-state tuition.*
2. You must be admitted or have applied to the University of Illinois (Urbana-Champaign, Chicago, Springfield, Health Sciences Center, or Global Campus) by March 1, 2009 to be eligible for the first round of awarding. The tuition waiver must be used beginning with the first term of enrollment after eligibility has been established (Summer 2009, Fall 2009, or Spring 2010 semester).
3. You must be the natural or legally adopted child (by January 1, 2009) of the veteran on whose service your application is made. Please note: This tuition waiver is not for grandchildren of veterans.
4. You must provide a legible copy of your veteran parent's DD Form 214* as proof of:
 - his/her active or reserve duty service during World War II, the Korean Conflict, the Vietnam Conflict (eligible dates for each are identified on the Children of Veteran Tuition Waiver application); OR
 - his/her eligibility to receive or receipt of the Southwest Asia Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal, or Global War on Terrorism Medal (eligible dates for each are identified on the Children of Veteran Tuition Waiver application)**A photocopy of the DD Form 214 is the preferred documentation; however, we will accept copies of other discharge orders or active orders as proof of service medal eligibility. The documentation must be sufficient enough to support the criteria listed for the conflict(s) marked on the Children of Veteran Tuition Waiver application including conflict name/geographic area, date entered and date discharged.*
5. You must provide proof of your ACT scores with this application. A photocopy of the form that you received from ACT reflecting your scores or a copy of your high school transcript reflecting your ACT scores will be accepted.
6. You may not have previously received and used a Children of Veterans Tuition Waiver.

Selection Criteria

1. Up to six tuition waivers per county are awarded each year; one for each of the following: World War II, the Korean Conflict, the Vietnam Conflict, the Southwest Asia Conflict, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom. If there is no qualified candidate, the tuition waiver expires. Tuition waivers are not transferable from one individual, one war/conflict, or one county to another.
2. Recipients of tuition waivers will be determined according to the following criteria, which appear in order of priority:
 - The child of a deceased veteran will be awarded the tuition waiver. If two or more candidates meet this criterion, the candidate with the highest ACT composite score will be the recipient.
 - If the veteran parents of all candidates are living, the child of a disabled veteran will be awarded the tuition waiver. If two or more candidates meet this criterion, the candidate with the highest ACT composite score will be the recipient.
 - If the veteran parents of all candidates are living and none are disabled, the tuition waiver will be awarded to the candidate with the highest ACT composite score.
3. The priority deadline to apply for the Children of Veterans Tuition Waiver is March 1, 2009. To be included in the first round of awarding, your application must be deemed complete by the Office of Student Financial Aid by this date.

Return this application and non-returnable photocopies of all supporting documents to:

**Office of Student Financial Aid
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Student Services Arcade
620 East John Street, MC-303
Champaign, Illinois 61820
Or fax to: (217) 265-5516**

