

The Cogswell University of Silicon Valley Salute to Military Service Scholarship Program is a scholarship program that is designed to provide tuition assistance to eligible students. This scholarship program is designed to help students who meet the criteria outlined below. The criteria have been designed to give the Scholarship Selection Committee maximum flexibility in awarding the scholarship. Recipients will be selected without regard to race, color, sex, creed, religious preference, age, national origin, disability or any other legally protected status.

Eligibility Criteria:

This scholarship program is available to accepted applicants and currently enrolled and/or attending students who meet the admissions requirements for Cogswell University of Silicon Valley. Additionally, applicants must meet all of the stated criteria outlined below to be eligible to apply.

To be awarded the scholarship, students must:

- Be accepted, enrolled, or attending Cogswell University of Silicon Valley;
- Be enrolled with full-time status of 12 credits or more per term;
- Demonstrate satisfactory academic progress by maintaining a cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 2.0 or higher;
- Be or have a spouse or parent who is on active duty, an active reservist, or an active National Guard member serving in the U.S. military, including the Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, or a retired or honorably discharged military veteran;
- Complete a Scholarship Request Form; and
- Provide acceptable documentation to verify eligibility, to include:
 - Letter from Commanding Officer reflecting active military status for active duty, reservists, or National Guardsmen; **and** present a valid, unexpired military identification card for review; or
 - DD214 that reflects a character of service of honorable, general, or under honorable conditions for retired or military veterans; **and**
 - Birth certificate of student or other documentation to prove relationship to military service member, as applicable.

Awarding Process and Rules

- Each applicant must complete a Scholarship Request Form and provide proof of military service and relationship to servicemember as applicable.
- Candidates eligible for military benefits are not eligible to apply.
- All eligible applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee for completeness and accuracy of all information provided.
- Students who apply and meet all requirements will be considered for this scholarship.
- Of those viable applications, the awards will be distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis; and approved recipients will be awarded during the financial aid packaging process.
- Scholarships will be applied as a credit against tuition and will not be issued to the student in the form of cash.
- Scholarships are not transferable.
- This scholarship may be used in conjunction with other institutional scholarship programs, but cannot exceed the direct educational program costs.
- A maximum of three scholarships will be awarded to eligible students and scholarships awarded will be based on the scholarships that are most beneficial to the student.
- Scholarships are automatically renewable each academic year providing the student maintains eligibility.
- Continued eligibility requires students to maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress with full-time enrollment of 12 or more credits per term and a CGPA of 2.0.
- Dropping below 2.0 GPA or full-time enrollment status of 12 or more credits per term may result in the reduction or loss of this scholarship.
- Scholarship award amount will not exceed \$2,500 per term.
- Awards are for the length of the educational program for a maximum of \$25,000 (10 terms).

**All scholarship amounts are calculated based on eligibility criteria and determined by established guidelines. Funding for this program is limited, therefore Cogswell University of Silicon Valley reserves the right to cancel a scholarship program at any time at its discretion. However, all scholarships that have been awarded will be honored provided the student continues to meet eligibility.*

