Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA)

- FTA is eligible to any Army or Air National Guard member in good standing that maintains eligibility requirements.

- To be eligible for FTA a Soldier must have **one year of service after completion of AIT**. A Soldier must have 10 years of service to receive FTA towards a **masters degree** if they used FTA for their bachelors degree.

- If eligible, soldiers will receive a **maximum of $250 per credit up to 16 credits/year**. The most you will receive from FTA is **$4000/fiscal year**.

- SDSU’s undergraduate tuition rate for FY15 is $138.80/credit. So most SDSU students can plan on receiving around 16 x 138.8 = **$2,220.8/year from FTA** depending on distance courses and residency rates.

- FTA is authorized up to 130 undergraduate credits and 39 graduate credits.

- Students can apply for FTA up to 60 days prior to their class start date and **NO LATER THAN 7 DAYS AFTER THEIR CLASS STARTS**. FTA will not be approved if a soldier applies late.

- When you apply for FTA the documented degree plan can be found under the program evaluation on webadvisor. The cost verification/course enrollment is your billing statement from sd-epay on webadvisor.

Directions for applying are located at the goarmyed.com website. If you have any questions feel free to contact the SDSU VA Office.
State Tuition Assistance (STA)

- South Dakota Army and Air National Guard members are eligible for STA, which is a 50% reduction of in-state tuition.

- To be eligible for STA a soldier must complete initial basic training and be in good standing at their unit of record.

- STA is authorized up to 128 undergraduate credits and 32 graduate credits.

- Students can apply for STA up to 60 days prior to their class start date and **NO LATER THAN 7 DAYS AFTER THEIR CLASS STARTS**. STA will not be approved if a soldier applies late.

- Students have to apply for FTA and STA separately.

Students can apply for STA by submitting the SDNG form 56 to their unit with their class schedule. SDNG form 56 will be available in the VA office.

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