

# ARMY NATIONAL GUARD ★



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## ARNG Education Programs and Services

Below is a summary of all ARNG Education Programs and Services. ARNG Soldiers should contact their State Education Services Officer (ESO) to learn more about the programs and services they may qualify for.

### Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA)

- Available to currently serving ARNG Soldiers.
- Must complete IADT, BOLC or WOBC.
- Pays tuition costs up to \$250 per semester hour, up to 16 semester hours per fiscal year.
- May be used up to a master's degree and for an academic certificate.
- Apply through GoArmyEd: [www.goarmyed.com](http://www.goarmyed.com) and click on "New User" to begin.

### Credentialing Assistance (CA) Program

- Must qualify for FTA; may be combined with FTA not to exceed \$4,000 per fiscal year.
- Pays tuition, fees, books, and examination cost.
- Available to Soldiers assigned to the following states (including TX and KY);
  - Effective 1 Oct 2019: CO, KS, NY and WA
  - Effective 1 Nov 2019: GA and NC
  - Effective 1 Dec 2019: AZ, CA, LA, PA, SC and VA
  - Effective 1 Jan 2020: All States/Territories

### GI Bill® Programs

- Multiple programs are available depending on your previous military service.
  - MGIB-SR/Chapter 1606
    - \$392/month for members of the Selected Reserve.
    - Must sign six-year contract, have a high school diploma or GED, and complete IADT or BOLC
  - MGIB-AD/Chapter 30
    - \$2,050.00/month for three or more years of active duty.
    - \$1,664.00/month for two-three years of consecutive active duty.
  - Post-9/11 GI Bill/Chapter 33
    - Payments based on qualifying active duty served/tier percentage.
    - Pays up to 100% tuition and fees at public schools.
    - Pays up to \$24,476.79 per academic year at for private/foreign schools.
    - Pays a housing stipend equal to BAH at E-5 rate with dependents.
    - Pays a book and supply stipend up to \$1,000 per academic year.
  - Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB)
    - Option to transfer Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits to dependents.
    - Must have served six years and commit to serve four more years in the ARNG.
    - Have completed fewer than 16 years of service (effective 12 January 2020)
  - \$350 GI Bill 'Kicker'
    - Available to Non-prior service, prior service, currently serving enlisted Soldiers, Soldiers in an officer commissioning program, and officers up to one year after commissioning.
    - Must sign a six-year contract or extend to have six years on their contract and meet all other criteria in the current SRIP policy.

## DANTES Programs

- The Defense Activity for Non Traditional Education Support (DANTES) offers numerous programs and services to ARNG Soldiers including
  - Free testing opportunities offered at National Test Centers (NTCs)
    - High school completion and college entrance exams GED, ACT, SAT, GRE, GMAT
    - College credit exams including CLEP and DSST
    - Teacher certification exams (Praxis)
    - For more information visit <https://clep.collegeboard.org/test-center-search> and [www.getcollegecredit.com](http://www.getcollegecredit.com)
  - College planning resources: Kuder® Journey [www.dantes.kuder.com](http://www.dantes.kuder.com)
  - College prep resources: Online Academic Skills Course (OASC) and College Placement Skills Training (CPST) available at [www.nelnetsolutions.com/DantesNet](http://www.nelnetsolutions.com/DantesNet)
  - Troops to Teachers, (TTT) available at [www.proudtoserveagain.com](http://www.proudtoserveagain.com)
- For more information on DANTES programs and services visit [www.dantes.doded.mil](http://www.dantes.doded.mil)

## Army Personnel Testing (APT)

- Free testing opportunities that may qualify Soldiers for career advancement, specialized training, foreign language pay, and proficiency bonuses.
- Exams include; AFCT, SIFT, DLAB, DLPT, DLRPT and OPI.
- Offered at selected ARNG and Active Army testing locations.
- AFCT prep resources: Online Academic Skills Course (OASC) available at [www.nelnetsolutions.com/DantesNet](http://www.nelnetsolutions.com/DantesNet)
- For more information on APT, contact your State ESO or nearest Army education center.

## Joint Services Transcript (JST)

- The JST is an academically accepted document approved by the American Council on Education (ACE) to validate a service member's military occupational experience and training along with the corresponding ACE college credit recommendations.
- The JST provides Soldiers with an opportunity to earn college credit based on their military training and experience. ARNG Soldiers can download their JST at: [www.jst.doded.mil](http://www.jst.doded.mil)

## College and Career Planning:

- TA Decide; [www.dodmou.com/TADECIDE](http://www.dodmou.com/TADECIDE)
- College Navigator; [www.nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator](http://www.nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator)
- GI Bill Comparison Tool; [www.vets.gov/gi-bill-comparison-tool](http://www.vets.gov/gi-bill-comparison-tool)
- Army e-Learning; [www.atrrs.army.mil/selfdevctr/eLearningWelcome.aspx](http://www.atrrs.army.mil/selfdevctr/eLearningWelcome.aspx)

## For More Information:

- Visit us On-Line at: [www.nationalguard.com/education](http://www.nationalguard.com/education)
- Contact your State ESO [www.nationalguard.com/select-your-state](http://www.nationalguard.com/select-your-state)
- GI Bill Rates [https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/resources/benefits\\_resources/rate\\_tables.asp](https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/resources/benefits_resources/rate_tables.asp)
- GI Bill Program Handouts [https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/handouts\\_forms.asp](https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/handouts_forms.asp)

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