

**State of South Carolina  
Office of the Governor  
Division of Veterans Affairs  
VA Regional Office Bldg., Suite 1126, 6437 Garners Ferry Rd, Columbia SC 29209  
Telephone 803.647.2434 - Fax 803.803.647.2312**

**APPLICATION FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR CERTAIN WAR VETERANS CHILDREN  
(Title 59-111-20, 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina as amended)**

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS

**INFORMATION PERTAINING TO APPLICANT (STUDENT)**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_
3. City, State, Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_
4. Date and Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_
5. Name of College, University of Technical College you will attend. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Location of Campus \_\_\_\_\_
7. Names of Brothers/Sisters previously approved under this program. \_\_\_\_\_  
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*\*APPLICANT, PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR BIRTH CERTIFICATE\**

**INFORMATION PERTAINING TO WAR VETERAN PARENT**

8. Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Current Address \_\_\_\_\_
10. City State, Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_
11. VA Claim No. \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date and Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_
13. City and State where veteran entered military service \_\_\_\_\_
14. Date veteran became a permanent resident of South Carolina if entry into military service was from another state \_\_\_\_\_
15. Record of Military Service: (Circle Branch/es)
  - a. Service (Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Merchant Marine)
  - b. Dates of Active Military Service: (**Note** – attach a copy of DD 214 showing award of the Purple Heart, if application is based on this award.)

FROM _____	TO _____	Character of Service _____
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**16. COMPLETE IF VETERAN IS LIVING**

- a) Was he/she ever a Prisoner of War? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, from \_\_\_\_\_  
to \_\_\_\_\_ in the country of \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Is he/she presently missing in action? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- c) Has he/she been rated as being permanently and totally disabled by the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- d) Is he/she a recipient of the Medal of Honor? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- e) Is he/she a recipient of the Purple Heart? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**17. COMPLETE IF VETERAN IS DECEASED**

- a) Date of death \_\_\_\_\_ Place of death \_\_\_\_\_ Cause of death \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Did the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs rate his/her death as being Service Connected?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- c) Was he/she rated permanently and totally disabled by the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs on the date of death? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- d) Was he/she ever a Prisoner of War? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, from \_\_\_\_\_  
to \_\_\_\_\_ in the country of \_\_\_\_\_
- e) Was he/she a recipient of the Purple Heart Medal? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- f) Was he/she a recipient of the Medal of Honor? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date**

\_\_\_\_\_ **(Application must be signed by: Father, Mother, or Custodian of Applicant or Applicant (over 18 years of age))**

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Recommend for Approval/Disapproval: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Application Approved/Disapproved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

SOUTH CAROLINA TUITION PROGRAM  
FOR CHILDREN OF CERTAIN WAR VETERANS

**Offered by** – The State of South Carolina

**Description** – No funds are appropriated for this program by the State of South Carolina since the benefit is simply tuition waiver at any state supported university, college, or post-high school technical education institutions. All children who qualify may receive these benefits, regardless of financial need, up to their twenty-sixth birthday.

**Value** – Free Tuition

**Eligibility** – A child of a wartime veteran, upon application to and approval by the South Carolina Division of Veterans Affairs, may be admitted to any state supported college, university, or post high school technical education institution free of tuition so long as his work and conduct is satisfactory to the governing body of the institution **if the veteran was a resident of this state at the time of entry into service and during service or has been a resident of this state for at least one year and still resides in this state**, or if the veteran is deceased, resided in this state for one year before his death, and provided the veteran served honorably in a branch of the military service of the United States during a war period, as those periods are defined by Section 101 of Title 38 of the United States Code and:

1. was killed in action;
2. died from other causes while in the service;
3. died of disease or disability resulting from service;
4. was a Prisoner of War as defined by Congress or Presidential proclamation during such war period;
5. is permanently and totally disabled as determined by the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) from any cause;
6. has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor;
7. has been awarded the Purple Heart Medal for wounds received in Combat;
8. is missing in action; or
9. the applicant is the child of a deceased veteran who qualifies under items 4 and 5.

**The provisions of this section apply to a child of a veteran who meets the residency requirements of Chapter 112 of this title, is twenty-six years of age or younger, and is pursuing any type of undergraduate degree. Effective date of this benefit is the date of receipt of the Free Tuition Application.**

**Basis of Award** – Proof of qualifications for the benefits. Our primary source of verification is with the Veterans Claims Folder and certified copy of the veteran's DD 214 if application is based on award of Purple Heart or Medal of Honor.

**Application Procedures – Obtain applications forms from any County Veterans Affairs Office or write The Governor’s Office, Division of Veterans Affairs, VA Regional Office, Room 141, 6437 Garners Ferry Road, Suite 1126, Columbia, SC 29209. Telephone (803) 647-2434, (803) 647-2312 or by visiting [www.oepv.sc.gov](http://www.oepv.sc.gov) . Collect calls can not be accepted.**

LIST OF STATE SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS

Universities:

- Citadel
- Clemson University
- College of Charleston
- Coastal University
- Francis Marion University
- Lander University

University of South Carolina (all campuses)@ Aiken, Beaufort, Columbia, Lancaster, Salkehatchie, Spartanburg, Sumter, Union, and Medical University of South Carolina, Columbia, and Charleston  
SC State University  
Winthrop University

Technical Colleges:

- Aiken Technical College
- Central Carolina Technical College
- Denmark Technical College
- Florence Technical College
- Greenville Technical College
- Horry-Georgetown Technical College
- Low Country Technical College
- Midlands Technical College
- Northeastern Technical College
- Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College
- Piedmont Technical College
- Spartanburg Technical College
- Tri-County Technical College
- Trident Technical College
- Williamsburg Technical College
- York Technical College

Wartime Service:

Gulf War	08-02-90	To Present
Vietnam	02-28-61	08-04-64 *
<b>*Must have served “In Country” Vietnam to be a wartime veteran during this period.</b>		
Vietnam	08-05-64	05-07-75
Korea	06-27-50	01-31-55
WWII	12-07-41	12-31-46
WWI	04-06-17	11-11-18