

South Carolina National Guard College Assistance Program (CAP)



Who is eligible?

South Carolina Army/Air National Guard members who are in an active drilling status

ARMY: Completed Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training AIR: Completed Basic Military Training and Initial Active Duty Training

Who is not eligible?

Members flagged for any reason

Members that have received a Bachelor's degree

***Bachelor's degree holders may be eligible - please see highlighted section below

What programs and institutions are eligible to be funded by CAP?

FIRST One-year Certificate or other recognized educational credential (e.g. diploma), FIRST Associate's degree or first two-year degree program, or FIRST Bachelor's Degree or a program of study structured not requiring a bachelor's degree for acceptance into the program leading to a graduate degree

College or university whose headquarters is located within the state of South Carolina

Expiration Term of Service (ETS) date cannot fall within the academic semester that CAP funds are being requested

***Less than one-year certificates, certifications and a second associate's degree may be eligible programs beginning AY2021-2022 pending SC General Assembly approval

How much will I receive?

Full time students can receive up to \$4,500 (Army) \$9,000 (Air) per academic year (Fall, Spring and Summer).

Lifetime maximum cannot exceed \$18,000. Grant is subject to the availability of funds.

How do I apply?

Members must apply for CAP funds each academic year.

CAP application window is:

JUNE 1 through AUGUST 1

Application for the Army and Air Guard can be found at https://getsmartsc.com under the "Military" tab at the top of the page and by clicking on the "SC National Guard" tab. Then click on "CAP" and select Army or Air.

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