



Illinois AMVETS Service Foundation Veteran Scholarship Application

The Illinois AMVETS Service Foundation is committed to supporting educational goals of our Illinois veterans. The Illinois AMVETS Service Foundation Veteran Scholarship has been established to invest in their education. Award amounts will vary and is based on eligible funding annually. Each award is for **up to \$2,000** and can be utilized for books, housing expenses, school fees, and tuition.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Veteran with a permanent Illinois address.
2. Honorably Discharged
3. Enrolled as a part-time or full-time student 2 or 4 year College or University, Vocational or Technical School in Illinois. Student does not need to be a freshman.

Application Process:

Application material must be postmarked by March 1st, in order to be considered. Application and all required material must be mailed to: Programs, Illinois AMVETS, 2200 S. 6th St, Springfield, IL 62703

Selection Process:

Applications will be available November 1st at www.ilamvets.org. Applicants will be selected based on a financial need and merit basis. Finalists will be contacted for additional documentation to verify eligibility. If selected, awardee's will be notified by April 15th. As an applicant, if you have not been notified please consider applying next year. Scholarship funds will be made available no later than July 31st. Funds will be sent directly to the school unless approved otherwise by special request.

Renewability:

May reapply annually up to 4 consecutive years in addition to the following have been met:

Proof of enrollment

Copy of current transcripts maintain an overall if at least a 3.0 GPA

Student Information

Applicant Name: _____

Last

First

Middle

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Eligibility

The following eligibility requirements must be met:

1. Veteran with a permanent Illinois address.
2. Honorably Discharged
3. Enrolled as a part-time or full-time student 2 or 4 year College or University, Vocational or Technical School in Illinois.

Academics

Anticipated College/University: _____

Anticipated Major: _____ Current GPA (if applicable): _____

Education Expenses

Estimated cost of Tuition: \$ _____

Estimated Books & Supplies: \$ _____

Estimated Room & Board: \$ _____

Total Estimated Annual Cost: \$ _____

Are you renewing this scholarship?

Financial Need

What was your (and spouse's) adjusted total gross income for 2016 or 2017? \$ _____

Adjusted gross income is listed on IRS Form 1040—line 37; 1040A—line 21; or 1040EZ—line 4.

Number of dependents under the age of 21 supported by Applicant: _____

Scholarship Award Amount Requested: \$ _____ Applicant's may request **up to \$2,000**.

Requirements

The following documents must be attached to the completed application:

1. Certificate of Eligibility from VA listing what chapter of education you are entitled
2. Copy of Acceptance Letter or most current Transcripts
3. Recommendation letter not from a family member

Finalist are required to mail a copy of the following documents within two weeks of notification:

1. Copy of 2016 or 2017 **page 1 only** of IRS Form 1040 or 1040A or 1040EZ verifying adjusting gross income. The adjusted gross income reported by the IRS must match what was listed on page 1 of the scholarship application.
2. Copy of DD214, DD256, or DD257 showing Honorable Discharge

Scholarship Awardee Notice:

1. If selected as a scholarship recipient, an updated photo must accompany an Education Information sheet.
2. It is preferred that recipients be available to attend a banquet in their honor on Saturday, June 9, 2018 in Springfield, IL. Additional information will be available at the time of notification.

Certification

In submitting this application, I hereby certify that I am in need of this scholarship aid. I will use the proceeds of any scholarship aid received for the payment of tuition, required fees, room and board, required books or materials. The information submitted in this application is complete and correct.

I hereby certify that all of the information I have provided within the entire scholarship application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if any information submitted with the scholarship application is determined to be false or misleading (including any omission of material information), I will be disqualified from consideration for the scholarship. I agree to abide by the rules established by the Illinois AMVETS Service Foundation Scholarship Committee and am cognizant that all decisions rendered by the committee are final. I further give consent to allow AMVETS to use a photograph (or other likeness), as well as personal information about me (family, name, hometown, etc.), or statements for publicity purposes, which may include, but is not limited to, publication in newspapers, brochures, catalogs and the AMVETS website.

Student's Signature _____

Date ____/____/____

Applications must be postmarked by **March 1st**. Applications will not be considered after this date. ONLY selected awardees will be notified by **April 15th**.

Mail to:

Programs

2200 South Sixth Street

Springfield, IL 62703

Questions/Concerns: Call 1-800-638-8387