



The Veterans Alliance arrowhead is Florida State's proud symbol of its university-wide commitment to veteran success.

Veterans & Active Military

Rated "Best for Vets" by U.S. News and World Report, Florida State's online programs provide active and former service members flexible, convenient options for pursuing a degree or certificate. Transcripts and diplomas conferred by FSU show no distinction between online and on-campus students.

Designated a [preeminent university](#) by the state of Florida, FSU combines its acclaimed strength in the arts and humanities with renowned leadership in the sciences. Owing to its [nationally ranked programs](#), [distinguished faculty](#) and [championship athletics](#), Florida State is one of the most recognized and respected universities in the world.

Florida State is one of the [Top 25 public universities in the country](#), and tuition waivers are available for eligible out-of-state veterans and their dependents. Visit the [Student Veterans Center](#) website for more information on FSU's services for veterans and active military.

Frequently Asked Questions

Does FSU honor VA educational benefits for online degree programs and courses? ▼

Yes, VA educational benefits may be applied to Florida State's online programs. In addition, FSU accepts tuition assistance from every branch of the military.

How do I pursue an online degree from FSU? ▼

First, review the [online degree programs](#) currently offered by Florida State to see if one is right for you. If a program is classified as fully online, you can earn an FSU degree without ever stepping foot on campus. Next, review the FSU Student Veterans Center's [Application Checklist](#) and submit the appropriate forms.

Can I complete my Associates Degree online? ▼

Before online undergraduate students can enroll at FSU, they need to have completed 60 or more semester hours of transferable credit (as determined by the Office of Admissions). This prerequisite coursework can be completed entirely online through [Florida Shines](#).

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Will I have proctored exams? ▼

Proctored exams are at the discretion of the instructor and information on proctored testing will be provided in their course syllabus. There are three types of proctored testing: On-campus testing, off-campus testing at an approved facility, and off-campus testing via an online-service provider. Testing at FSU's main campus Testing Center is free for all FSU students. Those residing at a distance will need to use off-campus options, which usually involve a fee that is set by the facility providing the service. For more information about proctored testing, see the [Office of Distance Learning](#) website.

Do my VA educational benefit cover the distance learning fees? ▼

Distance learning fees – along with standard tuition and other fees that may apply – are covered by Post 9/11 VA educational benefits up to the percentage that the veteran (or parent of a veteran dependent) is deemed eligible by the VA. Eligibility is based on the length of time the service member spent on active duty since September 11, 2001. Please contact FSU's [Student Veterans Center](#) for more information.

If I am active military, can I be considered an in-state student? ▼

In most cases, residency is determined by where the applicant is living a full year prior to their application date. However, Florida residency is also granted to: 1) active duty members of the Armed Services of the United States and their spouses/dependent children residing or stationed in Florida; 2) active drilling members of the Florida National Guard; 3) military personnel and their spouses/dependent children not stationed in Florida whose home of record or state of legal residence certificate (DD Form 2058) is Florida; and 4) active duty members of the Armed Services of the United States and their spouses/dependent children attending a public community college or university within 50 miles of the military establishment where they are stationed, if the military establishment is within a county contiguous to Florida.

Does FSU participate in the Yellow Ribbon program? ▼

Yes, veterans enrolled in FSU's online degree programs but not living in Florida may qualify for the federal Yellow Ribbon program, which reduces the tuition to the in-state rate. Contact FSU's [Student Veterans Center](#) for more information.



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