

LIBERTY UNIVERSITY[®]

MILITARY AFFAIRS

Heroes Fund Scholarship Application

Liberty University is proud of our country's heroes who have given so much for our freedom. We know that this freedom comes at a high price for many. To show appreciation for our service members who have been wounded while protecting our liberties, Liberty University has created the Heroes Fund Scholarship.

Eligibility requirements are as follows:

- Received an **Honorable** discharge or currently serving on active duty/reserve status
- A veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces
- Be a recipient of the prestigious Purple Heart **OR**
- 100% VA disability rating by the Department of Veterans Affairs

Documentation needed for review of scholarship eligibility (based on eligibility above):

- ☐ Completed Heroes Fund Scholarship Application
- ☐ Essay - 750-1000 words on the topic "What degree do you plan to pursue? How will this degree impact your future and help you meet your specific career objectives?"
- ☐ Purple Heart Citation, Certificate or Orders
- ☐ Veteran's Affairs letter/VA.gov disability dashboard screenshot identifying overall VA disability rating.
- ☐ Certificate of Eligibility or current GI Bill[®] eligibility status, copy of application submitted applying for GI Bill benefits, or a Veterans Affairs (VA) letter stating you have exhausted all your GI Bill benefits. (*applicants who transferred Post 9-11 benefits may be ineligible*)
- ☐ Confirmation of application for Veteran Readiness and Employment (Chapter 31) (i.e. copy of confirmation email or copy of 28-8832, 28-1900, etc.) Required by all disabled veteran applicants.
- ☐ Military Verification (Member 4-DD214, current LES, VA letter with dates & character of service)
- ☐ FAFSA is an annual requirement for all Liberty University given scholarships (undergraduate applicants only)

Students approved for this scholarship will be awarded an amount to cover all remaining tuition and fees once financial aid, military aid, and Veteran's Affairs Educational Benefits have been deducted from the total amount of tuition and fees charged. Funding is only awarded for classes that contribute to the Liberty University degree being pursued. Continued award of this scholarship for subsequent degree programs will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

This scholarship is funded by the generous donations of Liberty University supporters therefore funding will only be granted if it is available for that donation year. Continued award of this scholarship may be re-evaluated based on the availability of funds and increased need/applications.

To apply for the Heroes Fund Scholarship, please complete the form on the following page and submit to the Military Affairs Office via email: militarypay@liberty.edu or fax: (434) 455-1287.

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First and Last Name:

Date:

Student LU ID:

Military Background

Branch of Service:

Years of Service:

ETS/Retirement Date:

Retired from Military Service:

No

Yes

Military Retired Rank:

Educational Information

Degree you are applying to use HFS for:

Requested Start Date:

Anticipated Graduation Date:

Highest Education Level Completed:

Master

Bachelor

Associate

High School/GED

Documents Submitted (check all documents submitted with this application)

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Essay: (750-1000 words outlining your degree with an emphasis on how this degree will help you meet your specific career objectives - double spaced in Times New Roman, 12-point font)

GI Bill[®] verification status (COE, copy of submitted application, VA letter)

Confirmation document verifying application for Veteran Readiness and Employment (Chapter 31) benefits

Military Verification (Member 4 of DD-214, Current LES, VA letter verifying service)

And at least one of the following qualifying documents:

Purple Heart Citation or Orders

Veteran Affairs Disability Award letter stating overall VA disability rating

GI Bill[®] is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government Web site at <http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill>.