



Applying to Harvard After Your Service

U.S. Military Veterans

Individuals who have served in the U.S. military bring valuable perspectives to the Harvard College community and we welcome applications from veterans for both first-year and transfer admission. We consider high academic standards, leadership in non-academic areas, and personal qualities in all of our admission decisions. However, the many and unique experiences that constitute military service at all levels usually become an important part of a veteran's application.

How to Apply

Veterans apply through the same admissions process as our undergraduate students. The first thing you will need to determine is your eligibility to apply either as a first-year or transfer student.*

- **First-year Student:** If you have not completed a full year of college course work, you can apply as a first-year student.
- **Transfer Student:** If you have completed more than one year's worth of college courses but less than two years in total, you can apply as a transfer student.

*Please note that if you have more than two years of college course work, you are not eligible for admission to Harvard College. Also, please note that military training courses do not count for entrance either as a first-year or transfer student.

We encourage all U.S. military veterans to review our application requirements. If you have specific questions, please contact us; we are here to help. It's also worth noting that Harvard is a member of Service to School's VetLink program, which advises and supports veterans throughout the college application process.

Don't let the application fee prevent you from applying — we automatically waive the application fee for **ALL** U.S. military veteran applicants.

Admissions

We seek promising students who will contribute to the Harvard community during their college years and to society throughout their lives.

Academics

2,900+

courses available (including cross-registration at Harvard graduate schools and MIT).

51 FIELDS OF CONCENTRATION (MAJORS)

49 SECONDARY FIELDS (MINORS)

100+ FIRST-YEAR SEMINARS

NEARLY **100** LANGUAGES TAUGHT



**WATCH: WHAT IT'S
LIKE TO BE A VETERAN
STUDENT AT HARVARD:**

[https://www.youtube.com/
watch?v=oVbWwXp0JVg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oVbWwXp0JVg)

“My biggest advice to veterans applying to college is to tell your story honestly and provide a complete picture of who you are, how your experiences shaped you, and how you have grown.”

DARIOUS HANSON '28, ARMY VETERAN FROM LAGRANGE, GEORGIA



Financial Aid & Support

Financial Aid for Veterans

Veterans are eligible to apply for Harvard's generous need-based financial aid program and may also receive benefits through the **U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs** in addition to the **GI Bill** programs. Harvard College also participates in the **Yellow Ribbon Program**. Don't let the cost stand in the way of pursuing a Harvard education.



\$100K* and under

Families with total incomes \$100K* and under **will pay nothing** to attend Harvard.

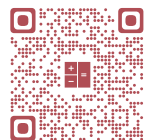
\$100K* - \$200K*

Families with total incomes between \$100K - \$200K* **receive free tuition, with additional aid likely.**

\$200K* and over

Families with incomes above \$200K* **may still qualify for financial aid**, depending on individual circumstances.

Families at all income levels who have significant assets are asked to pay more than those without assets.



HARVARD'S NET PRICE CALCULATOR:

ESTIMATE YOUR COST OF ATTENDANCE
(TAMBIÉN EN ESPAÑOL)

college.harvard.edu/npc
college.harvard.edu/npc-espanol

**Assumes typical assets. All amounts are in USD.*

“The veteran community at Harvard really helped with the initial transition to campus life by offering friendship, mentorship, and practical advice on everything from choosing classes to navigating life as a student.”

VANESSA VALVERDE '27
MARINE CORPS VETERAN FROM MURRIETA, CALIFORNIA

On-Campus Support Resources

We are committed to supporting veterans throughout their time at Harvard:

- **Military Student Services**
- **Harvard Veterans Alumni Organization**
- **Counseling and Mental Health Services**
- **Harvard Undergraduate Veterans Organization**
- **Academic Resource Center**
- **Disability Access Office**
- **Financial Aid Office**
- **Housing Office**
- **Mignone Center for Career Success**
- **The Office of Undergraduate Research and Fellowships**

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