

Quick facts about **DISABLED VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

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What is the Disabled Veteran's Assistance Program?

New and returning undergraduate veterans with a military-related disability who are classified as in-state and working on their first baccalaureate degree may qualify for an aid package that covers full costs without loans.

How does a student qualify?

Students in this program must be:

- Admitted to MSU with in-state status
- Working on their first baccalaureate degree
- A veteran who was disabled as a result of military service and is eligible for rehabilitation services through the VA or meets the definition as a person with a disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act

To apply

- File the FAFSA (www.fafsa.gov) each year
- Submit documentation to the Registrar's Office showing disability as a result of military service
- Apply for Veteran's benefits if you qualify (contact the Registrar for benefit certification)

What costs are covered?

With a combination of federal need-based aid, work-study, scholarships, MSU grant funds, and veteran's benefits, this program covers:

- Tuition and fees
- Room and Board (cost equivalent to on-campus double room and Silver Meal Plan)
- Books
- Personal/miscellaneous costs including the cost of a basic MSU student health insurance plan

What costs are NOT covered?

- Car payments, insurance
- Mortgage or rent costs above the amount of the on-campus room & board price
- Costs of supporting a spouse or dependents are not covered by the program, but a student may be considered for loans to cover these costs. The student must meet with a financial aid advisor to explore this option.

What types of aid will a qualified student receive?

In addition to any Veteran's Benefits or Michigan Rehabilitation funds the student is receiving, the student will receive a work component, and the balance will be met with a combination of federal and MSU grant funding. If the student cannot work due to their disability, they must submit documentation to the Registrar's Office that will be reviewed by the Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities to request replacement of the work component with additional grant funds.

If the student is already working, he or she may continue to use that job to satisfy the work component of the aid package.