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In-State Tuition Rates Give Servicemembers and Families a Break

An overview of the current state of in-state tuition programs for servicemembers and their families. With the recent news that Virginia State sponsored schools will now offer military servicemembers and their families the same tuition rate as their state residents, servicemembers can save thousands in tuition and fees in all but a handful of states. Although there are variations of this benefit depending on the state, 44 states now have laws that provide military servicemembers, and their families, the opportunity to attend state run community colleges and universities at a greatly reduced rate. For example, in California the Non-resident Tuition Surcharge can be over $13,000 a year at a Cal State University and over $4,000 for community colleges. The following table shows which states offer an In-State Tuition program for the military and which do not. For more specific information, visit www.military.com Education Center or https://www.hrc.army.mil/SITE/Education/InState/SSummarytext.htm

State	Tuition charged for non-resident active duty military personnel stationed in the state.			Military family members charged the same rate as military?		
	In-State	Out of State	Determined by Individual College	Yes	No	Varies
Alabama			X	X		
Alaska	X			X		
Arizona	X			X		
Arkansas	X			X		
California	X					X
Colorado	X			X		
Conneticut			X		X	
Delaware	X			X		
District of Columbia	X			X		
Florida	X			X		
Georgia	X			X		
Hawaii	X			X		
Idaho	X			X		
Illinois	X			X		
Indiana	X			X		
Iowa	X			X		
Kansas	X			X		
Kentucky	X			X		
Louisiana	X			X		
Maine	X			X		
Maryland	X			X		
Massachusetts	X			X		
Michigan		X			X	
Minnesota	X			X		
Mississippi	X			X		
Missouri	X			X		
Montana	X			X		

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Nebraska	X			X		
Nevada	X			X		
New Hamshire	X			X		
New Jersey	X			X		
New Mexico	X			X		
New York	X			X		
North Carolina	X			X		
North Dakota	X			X		
Ohio	X			X		
Oklahoma	X			X		
Oregon	X			X		
Pennsylvania	X			X		
Puerto Rico	X			X		
Rhode Island	X			X		
South Carolina	X			X		
South Dakota		X			X	
Tennessee	X			X		
Texas	X			X		
Utah	X			X		
Vermont		X		X		
Virginia	X			X		
Washington	X			X		
West Virginia	X			X		
Wisconsin	X			X		
Wyoming	X			X		