

**Texas Military Department
STATE TUITION ASSISTANCE
STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING
FALL 2026**

This SOU is your STA contract. Applicants must read and initial each statement below in order to receive State Tuition Assistance. If clarification is needed on any of the following statements, contact the State TA Office at ng.tx.txamg.mbx.trp@army.mil.
(SAVE A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS)

BY INITIALING BELOW, I ACKNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTAND EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:

STA is intended for students who need financial assistance and would otherwise pay tuition and mandatory fees out-of-pocket. If tuition and fees are fully covered by other aid, STA is not needed.

If eligible for Federal Tuition Assistance, I must apply and provide proof with my application packet.

STA awards are based on funding availability and may cover up to 12 credit hours of tuition and mandatory fees per fall and spring semester, for up to 10 semesters.

STA does not cover ineligible fees (see Eligible Fees on the STA webpage).

STA does not guarantee payment of 100% of tuition and fees.

STA is only available at Texas not-for-profit colleges or universities headquartered in Texas.

If I fail, withdraw from, or drop a class, I am responsible for related tuition and fee charges. Exceptions to Policy (ETPs) may be requested for State or Federal deployments.

I will notify STA staff immediately if I fail, withdraw from, or drop a course.

I am responsible for meeting my school's deadlines, policies, and enrollment requirements.

Failure to submit required documents by published deadlines may result in forfeiture of my STA award. Required documents include the Online Application, Statement of Understanding (SOU), Authorization Release Form, and proof of submitted FTA application, if eligible.

I may be disqualified from STA for unsatisfactory participation or legal issues as determined by unit or component leadership.

I am an actively drilling member of the Texas Army National Guard, Texas Air National Guard, or Texas State Guard.

I have completed either Basic Training, BOLC, or MS2 with a valid GRFD number, or RBOT.

I hold a rank equivalent to a pay grade falling within one of these ranges: E1-E9, W1-W3, and O1-O5.

If I separate from service or enter inactive status before the semester ends, I will forfeit my STA award.

I must maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA to remain eligible for STA.

STA payments are sent directly to my school and applied to my student account; payments are not made directly to students.

During limited funding periods, STA may prioritize awards according to TMD regulations.

I agree to submit an official transcript and post-semester survey after each semester.

As an STA recipient, I represent both the program and the military and will conduct myself respectfully toward my school and its staff.

I solemnly declare, under penalty of perjury, pursuant to the laws of the State of Texas, that all statements contained in this document are acknowledged as true by initialing and signing, and all accompanying application documents are truthful and accurate. I acknowledge that all declarations in this application are subject to verification and investigation. Any false, misleading, or fraudulent response to ANY question may result in the denial of STA and permanent disqualification from the program, as well as criminal penalties under the Texas Code of Military Justice. I hereby undertake to provide documentation corroborating all information submitted in this application, if so required.

I agree to the above conditions of this SOU for the use of State TA as verified by my signature below.

(Last Name)

(First Name)

(SSN Last 4)

(Required Signature)

(Date)