WHAT IS IT?
Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA) is a financial assistance provided for voluntary off-duty education programs in support of a Soldier’s professional and personal self-development goals.

HOW DO I QUALIFY?
Tier 1:
• Be currently serving in the ARNG and completed AIT, WOBC, or BOLC
• Have not attained a bachelor’s degree and wish to pursue an undergraduate academic certificate, associate’s or bachelor’s degree or
• Have attained a bachelor’s degree and wish to pursue a graduate or undergraduate academic certificate or
• Have attained a bachelor’s degree w/out FTA and wish to pursue a master’s degree

Tier 2:
• Be currently serving in the ARNG and completed either ALC, WOAC, CCC, or equivalent
• Have attained a bachelor’s degree w/ FTA and wish to pursue a master’s degree

Service Requirement/Obligation:
• Enlisted: Have an ETS or MRD after completion of FTA funded course(s)
• Officers and Warrant Officers: Subject to a two-year active service obligation (ADSO) or four-year RC obligation (RDSO)

WHAT DO I GET?
• Up to $250 per semester hour, up to 16 SHs per fiscal year
• Lifetime limit of 130 undergraduate semester hours and 39 graduate semester hours
• Up to 21 additional SHs towards an academic certificate
• CAN be used simultaneously with Chapter 1606/ MGIB-SR for the same course, when attending half-time or more

HOW DO I APPLY?
• Go to www.armyignited.com and establish an account by clicking “Get Started”
• Request an Education Path (select your school and degree program)
• Enroll in courses at your School
• Return to ArmyIgnitED and request TA for the courses you want to use TA for

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
• Call Mr. Ferdinand (Louisiana Federal Tuition Assistance Manager) at darrel.c.ferdinand.civ@army.mil or 504-278-8314.
• Contact the Education Support Center: 866-ARNGEDU (276-4338)
• Visit Us Online: www.nationalguard.com/education
• Contact your State Education Services Office: www.geauxguard.la.gov/education/

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