

MAY 2025 NEWSLETTER



UPCOMING EVENTS

TBD: Watch for details about our Summer Kickoff Social!

SCHOLARSHIP SPOTLIGHT

Tillman Scholar Program

Tillman Scholars are military service members, veterans and spouses with a high potential for impact as demonstrated through a proven track record of leadership, the continued pursuit of education and the commitment of their resources to service beyond self.

Who May Apply:

- Active duty service members, Veterans, and Military spouses

Eligibility:

- Must be a full-time* student pursuing one of the following degrees at a public or private, U.S.-based, accredited institution for the upcoming fall/spring academic year:
 - A full-time undergraduate degree (No certificates or associate's degree)
 - A full-time graduate or professional degree (No certificates or associate's degree)
 - You do not need to be attending a University Partnered school to apply. See video in regards to the University Partnered vs At-Large process for more information.

*full-time as determined by the institution and program of study to which an applicant is applying

Applicants will be required to submit the following items:

- Current resume
- (4) 200-word essay questions
- Character recommendation from a third party
- Please note, this is not a letter of recommendation. This third party will answer specific questions through our application tool.
- A 250-word biography
- Completed FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and a financial worksheet that includes current budget of all expenses and incomes for household, to include all military benefits.
- Completed Student Aid Report (SAR) generated through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Two photos from military service or with their spouse who is/was in the military
- Proof of Military Service: most recent DD 214 (Member 4 preferred), Officer Record Brief, Enlistment Record Brief, Basic Individual Record, Personal Data Record, Performance Summary Record, or Report on Individual Personnel, Employee Summary Sheet, Single Unit Retrieval Format
- Permission for PTF to complete a background check

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ACADEMIC TOOLS

Tips for Summer Semester Success

Summer classes can be a fantastic way to get ahead, catch up, or just lighten your load during the regular academic year! Here are a few tips to make the most of your summer college experience:

- **Be Prepared for the Pace:** Summer courses are often condensed, meaning you'll cover the same amount of material in a shorter timeframe. Expect a faster pace with more frequent assignments and assessments. Go into it knowing you'll need to dedicate focused time.
- **Manage Your Time Effectively:** With the accelerated schedule, time management is crucial. Create a study schedule and stick to it. Plan out when you'll attend virtual meetings (if applicable), complete readings, work on assignments, and study for exams. Break down larger tasks into smaller, more manageable chunks.
- **Minimize Distractions:** Since the term is short and intense, try to minimize distractions as much as possible. Find a quiet study space where you can concentrate without interruptions. Let family and friends know your class schedule so they can respect your study time.
- **Stay Organized:** Keep all your course materials organized, whether they are physical or digital. Use folders, cloud storage, or a learning management system to keep track of syllabi, assignments, notes, and deadlines.
- **Engage Actively:** Participate actively in class discussions, even if they are online. Ask questions when you don't understand something. The faster pace means it's harder to catch up if you fall behind.
- **Utilize Available Resources:** Don't hesitate to take advantage of college resources like tutoring centers, writing centers, and online support. If you're struggling with the material, seeking help early can make a big difference.
- **Connect with Your Instructor and Classmates:** Introduce yourself to your professor and classmates. Building connections can create a supportive learning environment. Your instructor can provide valuable insights and clarification, and classmates can be great study partners.
- **Take Breaks:** While the pace is quick, it's still important to take short breaks to avoid burnout. Step away from your studies to relax, exercise, or do something you enjoy. This can actually improve your focus when you return.
- **Plan Ahead for the Fall (If Applicable):** If you're taking summer classes to prepare for specific fall courses, consider getting a head start on introductory readings or reviewing foundational concepts.
- **Enjoy the Summer (in Moderation!):** Remember it's still summer! While your classes will require focus, try to find a balance and enjoy some of the season's activities when you have downtime.

Good luck with your summer classes! We hope these tips help you succeed. Let the Veterans Center know if you have any other questions.

TRIVIA

Will the Veterans Center fund the ALEKS Math Placement test?

The first 5 students to email the correct answer to veterans@suu.edu will be placed in a drawing for a Veterans Center trucker hat!

