



About WGU

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Western Governors University Offers Scholarships for Reservists and National Guard

Salt Lake City - Western Governors University (www.wgu.edu) is pleased to offer the [WGU Reservists and National Guard scholarship](#). This scholarship is designed to help members of the Reserves and National Guard attend college online.

The [WGU Reservists and National Guard scholarship](#) is valued up to \$1,500 and can be used to earn a degree in any discipline offered by WGU in its colleges of Business, Education, Information Technology or Health Professions. WGU is both regionally and nationally accredited.

WGU's online degree programs focus on the needs of adult learners by providing flexible, technology-based instruction. WGU's competency-based education approach makes it possible for students to complete the requirements for their degrees at a quicker pace and accelerate their programs based on their prior experience, academic background, and time commitment to study.

Recently named a Top 20 Military Friendly University by Military Advanced Education Magazine, WGU's unique accredited programs have proven a great fit for many active-duty, reserve, and National Guard military members and their spouses.

Multiple scholarships will be awarded. However, this is a competitive program and scholarships will be awarded based on a candidate's academic record, readiness for online study at WGU, and current competency, in addition to other considerations.

"We are excited to offer this scholarship opportunity for Reservists and National Guard members," said John Gantz, WGU Director of Military Relations. "It will allow more service members to earn their degrees through WGU's affordable degree programs that offer the flexibility they need to succeed."

For more information or eligibility requirements on the WGU Reservists and National Guard Scholarship, please visit www.wgu.edu/ngreserve.

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"Competency-based..."

"I like the idea of a competency-based program. In some areas I already had expertise and skills so I could take an independent study class and build the portfolio and take the exams. In other areas I needed more instruction."

—Gretchen Burr, WGU graduate, high school teacher

"I am an expert..."

"Western Governors has raised the bar for online courses. Instead of graduating from their courses and saying, "I have passed all of the requirements," they want their students to say, "I graduated from WGU and I am an expert in the field of..."

—Jeffrey Cravy, WGU graduate student

"Competency-based..."

"Google has pioneered the idea of access to information. The reason Google thinks WGU is such a good idea is because WGU has pioneered the concept of competency-based education whenever you want it."

—Eric Schmidt, CEO of Google Inc.

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