The Military Veterans Endowed Scholarship Fund at Wesleyan University assists students who have previously served on active duty in the U.S. military. These students will be fully engaged in Wesleyan community life and will add an important perspective to the diversity of discussion and activities for which the University is so well-known. Veteran Scholars will enjoy all the benefits and options available to other students, with the same expectations for academic progress and community citizenship. Wesleyan University is a residential community and as such students are expected to attend full-time.

Eligibility

The Wesleyan University Military Veterans Endowed Scholarship will be available to:

• Those who have served on active duty in any branch of the U.S. military service and are discharged with any designation except “dishonorable.”

• Those seeking a first bachelor’s degree.

No minimum term of active duty service is required.

Applicants who have attended a military academy but have not gone on to active duty status will not qualify.

Applicants must indicate their veteran’s status on the admission application and submit a copy of their DD214.

Admission

Students will apply through the normal admission process, using the Common Application, and must meet the usual admission standards. Applicants who have attended a university for a year or more and will have earned the equivalent of at least six Wesleyan credits upon matriculation are considered TRANSFER applicants (deadline March 15 for fall enrollment, November 1 for spring enrollment). Students who do not meet that criteria would apply as FIRST-YEAR candidates (deadline January 1).

Further details about Wesleyan’s offerings and the admission process can be found at wesleyan.edu/admission.

Financial Aid

• Wesleyan will determine the Student Contribution (SC) and, if applicable, the Parent Contribution (PC), as well as the demonstrated need according to institutional policies.

• Once the demonstrated need has been established, that need will be met by offering the student a package of reported veterans benefits (as required by law), work study, and grant-aid assistance. The grant aid will be from Wesleyan and from federal and state sources.

• Recipients will have no loans in the financial aid package and may graduate with $0 loan indebtedness for the time they are enrolled at Wesleyan. However, should assistance be needed to meet the Student Contribution, most students should be eligible to borrow through the low-cost federal Stafford or Perkins loans programs.

• Applicants must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and the Profile of the College Scholarship Service. Students also must submit copies of their most recent U.S. tax return and supporting W-2 forms.

Further details about Wesleyan’s financial aid process can be found at wesleyan.edu/finaid.

Campus Contacts

A team has been identified to support the veterans at each step of the process and in their adjustment to Wesleyan. Key contacts are:

Admission: Terri Overton, Associate Dean (toverton@wesleyan.edu, 860-685-2988)

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