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## Veteran & Military



### PENN COLLEGE BENEFITS

- ◆ Deferral of tuition deposit
- ◆ In-state tuition rate for all veterans
- ◆ In-state tuition rate for family members using VA education benefits
- ◆ Priority scheduling
- ◆ 20 veteran/military-specific scholarships
- ◆ Nationally recognized chapters of Student Veterans Organization and National Veterans Honor Society
- ◆ Veteran-specific orientation
- ◆ Veteran-specific First Year Experience class and first-year advising
- ◆ Major General Fred F. Marty Veterans & Military Resource Center
- ◆ Dedicated veteran services staff
- ◆ Specialized career services programs
- ◆ Mental health support for veterans with experienced counselors

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Learn more about all VA education programs at [va.gov/education](https://va.gov/education)

Apply for your PA National Guard benefits at [bit.ly/pa-guard-aid](https://bit.ly/pa-guard-aid)

Apply for Army Federal Tuition Assistance at [www.armyignited.army.mil](https://www.armyignited.army.mil)

### VETERAN & MILITARY SERVICES

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#### Student Veteran Assistants

In addition to our full-time staff, we also have several student veteran assistants who help with everything from answering questions about benefits to event planning and veteran orientation.



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Pennsylvania College of Technology is an accredited institution and a member of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE or the Commission) [www.msche.org](https://www.msche.org). Pennsylvania College of Technology's accreditation status is Accreditation Reaffirmed. The Commission's most recent action on the institution's accreditation status on June 23, 2022, was to reaffirm accreditation.

MSCHE is recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education to conduct accreditation and pre-accreditation (candidate status) activities for institutions of higher education including distance, correspondence education, and direct assessment programs offered at those institutions. The Commission's geographic area of accrediting activities is throughout the United States.

Penn College operates on a nondiscriminatory basis.

All data from 2024-25 sources.

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## STUDENT GUIDE



[pct.edu/military](https://pct.edu/military)



# A WORLD OF KNOWLEDGE

**AT PENN COLLEGE,** we value the unique life experiences and talents that veterans bring to our learning environment. Your service background sets you up for success. And your diverse perspective has the power to enrich and strengthen our entire community. Here, you'll be challenged to further build your leadership skills, flex your strengths, and pursue the future you've always wanted.

## Dedicated Center

The best part? We'll be here every step of the way to help you make that happen. The Major General Fred F. Marty Veterans & Military Resource Center is your home base. Whether you need a hand navigating benefits or want to network with fellow service members, we've got you covered. Stop by, make yourself at home, and get the answers you need.

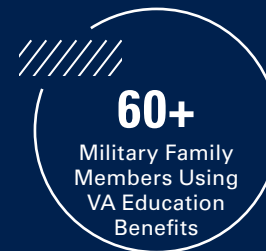
## From Military Life to Student Life

Transitioning from military to civilian life can be challenging. The good news is that you're not alone. At Penn College, you'll find lots of students making the same transition. We also have 50+ active and retired military members among our faculty and staff.

## Goals & Objectives

- ◆ Deliver prompt, courteous, and efficient service to veteran students and their families
- ◆ Help eligible veteran students and their family members take advantage of earned educational benefits
- ◆ Provide programming and assistance to help veterans and their family members transition from life in the military to life on campus

## FAST FACTS



## VETERAN BENEFITS

Most of our veteran students are using the Post 9/11 GI Bill™, known as VA Chapter 33, which **completely covers the tuition and fees at Penn College.** In addition to that, students receive a monthly housing allowance and a book and supply stipend of \$1,000 per year. We also offer credits for your military experience and training. To be considered for military or veteran benefits, you must send your Joint Services or CCAF transcripts. We will also evaluate these transcripts for credit.



## AMANDA BIRKMIRE

*Air National Guard Veteran  
& Dental Hygiene Graduate*

After being admitted into the dental hygiene program at Penn College, Amanda decided to give up her seat to join the Air National Guard. Knowing that her service would offset her college investment made it all worthwhile. When Amanda returned to campus, she was fully invested in her future and strived to take in the full college experience. Amanda continued to move up in military rank while completing her coursework. She also served as a resident assistant and mentor to her peers. Amanda earned her bachelor's in dental hygiene in May 2023. Today, she's working as a registered dental hygienist in Bensalem, PA.



## DIEGO WILSON

*Army National Guard  
& Aviation Maintenance Technology Graduate*

Before coming to Penn College, Diego served in the Army National Guard as an aircraft powerplant repair technician. Pursuing his love of flight, he jumped at the opportunity to apply his military benefits towards a bachelor's degree in Aviation Maintenance Technology. While at Penn College, Diego expanded his technical skill set in hands-on labs and honed leadership skills through the Army ROTC. He graduated in 2015, but his commitment to his craft and his country remains strong. Diego earned his pilot's license and the rank of Captain. Today he serves as a training officer and a maintenance test pilot in the UH-60 Blackhawk.

## NATIONAL GUARD & RESERVES

There are a number of benefits available to National Guard and Reserve members and their families. These are often some of the most complex to navigate. Our team has extensive experience working with these opportunities. We'll walk you through the process of applying, receiving, and maintaining all your benefits.

- ◆ Select Reserve Montgomery GI Bill™
- ◆ PA National Guard Education Assistance Program (EAP)
- ◆ Federal Tuition Assistance (FTA)

## Active Duty

The Penn College Military Tuition Assistance Program is another benefit for qualified active-duty military members. When our tuition discount is paired with the Armed Forces Tuition Assistance program, eligible students can earn Penn College credits at a greatly reduced price.

## Family Members

Our on-campus veterans and military resource center is open to military family members and dependents. Just like active and retired service members, you can also take advantage of this space and all the resources within. And if you need help processing your VA or military education benefits, we're here to help.

## Benefit Possibilities

- ◆ Transferred Post 9/11 GI Bill™
- ◆ Fry Scholarship
- ◆ Survivors and Dependents Education Assistance Program
- ◆ PA National Guard Military Family Education Program (MFEP)
- ◆ In-state tuition rate



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