


February 21, 2019

Coded Memo ASA-2019-06

MEMORANDUM

**Attention:
Admission Officers,
Enrollment Managers and
Veterans Services Staff**

TO: CSU Presidents

FROM: Loren J. Blanchard 
Executive Vice Chancellor

SUBJECT: Exemption to Nonresident Tuition Fees for Qualifying Veterans

Recent federal legislation¹, expands the list of students eligible for an exemption to nonresident tuition fees found in Coded Memo ASA-2017-16, “Veterans Nonresident Tuition Exemption (VNRTE) for Qualifying Veterans and Dependents.”

Effective for all terms beginning after March 1, 2019, student-veterans who are eligible for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Vocational Rehabilitation program shall be exempt from nonresident tuition fees.

An amendment to California Education Code section 68075.7 is expected to ensure alignment with federal requirements. In the interim, campuses shall comply with federal guidelines, per this communication.

To aid campuses in determining eligibility for this exemption, the following criteria are provided:

Eligibility

- Reside in California
- Currently participating in the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment program (Chapter 31).

Documents Required

- DD-214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty), and
- VA Form 28-1905, “Authorization and Certification of Entrance or Reentrance into Rehabilitation and Certification of Status.”

¹ Veterans Affairs Expiring Authorities Act of 2018 (Public Law 115-251) - 38 U.S. Code § 3679

Status and Enrollment Reporting

“Covered individuals” are classified as nonresidents of the state receiving a nonresident tuition exemption; however, because this is an established full exemption, their enrollment should be counted as “resident” for FTE purposes and coded as “Military” or “Other” for residence status code.

Questions concerning eligibility and the provisions of the Veterans Nonresident Tuition Exemption may be referred to Marshall Thomas, Director, Veterans Affairs at mthomas@calstate.edu or (562) 951-4130.

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