

## Purdue University Global/ThanksUSA Scholarship Terms and Conditions

### AWARD DESCRIPTION

The Purdue University Global/ThanksUSA Scholarship allows a tuition reduction for eligible undergraduate spouses and dependents of current or veteran U.S. military servicemembers.<sup>1</sup>

#### Partial Scholarships

Purdue University Global will award five (5) partial-tuition scholarships to military spouses who are licensed registered nurses and want to enhance their education by earning their Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). Applicants must provide a copy of their current nursing license.

Purdue University Global will award five (5) partial-tuition scholarships to military spouses and dependent children who currently hold an associate's degree and would like to earn their bachelor's degree online through Purdue University Global.

The Purdue University Global/ThanksUSA Partial Scholarship allows for the pursuit of an online undergraduate degree at Purdue University Global at a reduced tuition rate of \$195 per quarter credit hour, a maximum savings of 47% from the standard tuition rate of \$371.00 per quarter credit hour. Technology fees and programmatic fees are not covered by the Scholarship.

#### Full Scholarships

Purdue University Global will award total of fifteen (15) full-tuition ThanksUSA/Purdue University Global scholarships based on applications received to eligible students in the following areas:

- (5) Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). Students must provide a copy of their current nursing license.
- (5) Bachelor's degrees, for students who already have an associate's degree.
- (5) Bachelor's degrees in:
  - (1) public service
  - (1) IT/cybersecurity, and
  - (3) to be determined based on applications received

The Purdue University Global/ThanksUSA Full Scholarship covers all tuition costs and technology fees toward the completion of an online undergraduate degree at Purdue University Global. Programmatic fees are not covered by the Scholarship.

### AWARD PROCESS

Between May 15, 2018, and October 31, 2018, the Purdue University Global/ThanksUSA Scholarship program will award up to 10 partial-tuition scholarships and 15 full-tuition scholarships to qualified students to complete an associate's or bachelor's degree at Purdue University Global. Recipients will be chosen by ThanksUSA based on:

1. Completion of application and submission of all appropriate documentation,
2. Verification of status as a qualifying military spouse or dependent, and
3. Verification of qualifying CGPA.

Purdue University Global will notify each recipient directly of their award.

### GENERAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA TO QUALIFY FOR THE PURDUE UNIVERSITY GLOBAL/THANKSUSA SCHOLARSHIP

#### Program Eligibility

The Scholarship may be used by first-time enrollees<sup>2</sup> toward a Purdue University Global undergraduate degree program with the exception of the Associate of Science in Nursing, Prelicensure Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Tuition Cap,<sup>3</sup> and ExcelTrack™ programs. Graduate degree and graduate, undergraduate, and postbaccalaureate certificate program enrollees are not eligible.

#### Student Eligibility

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be a current or surviving spouse<sup>4</sup> or a dependent<sup>5</sup> of a current or veteran<sup>6</sup> U.S. military servicemember.<sup>1</sup>

To receive the Scholarship student must:

- Be a first-time enrollee<sup>2</sup> at Purdue University Global in an associate's or bachelor's degree program.
- Provide proof that he/she is the current or surviving spouse or dependent of an active-duty or veteran U.S. military servicemember (contact an Admissions Advisor for acceptable forms of proof).
- If required, pass an entrance assessment prior to enrollment.
- Meet all Purdue University Global standards for enrollment as outlined in the University Catalog.
- Provide proof, in the form of transcripts, of a cumulative grade point average (GPA) from an accredited high school or college, whichever is most recent, of 2.75 for partial scholarships and 3.00 for full scholarships on a 4.0 scale.<sup>7</sup>
- Enroll in at least one course per term and start class no more than 60 days after award notification.
- For the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, provide an associate's degree, diploma, or certificate in nursing with a minimum of 50 quarter credit hours of eligible credit with a focus in nursing. See the Purdue University Global Catalog for full admissions requirements for nursing students..

## CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Award recipients must:

- Provide official college transcripts to Purdue University Global prior to the end of the first term.
- Submit a request for a criminal background check (as applicable by the program) prior to the first day of the first term. No funding will be processed until an approved background check is on file. If the background check is not approved by the end of the third week of the first term, the enrollment will be cancelled.
- Partial-scholarship award recipients must maintain a cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.75 or higher at the end of each academic year. Full-scholarship award recipients must maintain a 3.0 or higher CGPA to retain the full award. The CGPA is not measured at the end of each term; instead, it is continually measured at the end of each academic year. An academic year is usually three terms. If the minimum CGPA is not maintained at the end of each academic year, the Scholarship will not be renewed for future terms.
- Not be placed on academic probation for any reason.
- Meet Purdue University Global standards for satisfactory academic progress as outlined in the University Catalog.
- Be continually enrolled at Purdue University Global. Students who withdraw or are dismissed will no longer be eligible for the Scholarship. Allowances are made for students to retain the Scholarship if they are on approved leave or military leave of absence as outlined by Purdue University Global policy.
- Remain in good financial standing with Purdue University Global.

## OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- The Scholarship recipient retains the award, provided eligibility is maintained for:
  - Associate's degree to bachelor's degree: the duration of the enrolled program or three (3) years from date of enrollment.
  - Bachelor's degree: the duration of the enrolled program or five (5) years from date of enrollment.
- No reapplication is required, and no reapplication is required for a change of program.
  - Only one change of program is allowed.
- The Scholarship covers tuition and selected fees only and is applied as a credit on the student ledger. There is no direct cash benefit provided to the student.
- All awards are limited to one per student, and are not transferable.
- Recipients are not eligible for other Purdue University Global tuition reductions, scholarships, grants, or tuition vouchers, including military and alliance relationships, or Purdue University Global Tuition Cap pricing. Offers cannot be combined.
- Recipients may receive financial aid and outside scholarships not funded by Purdue University Global.
- A loss of eligibility triggers the cost per credit to revert up to the specific student's next best available tuition rate, up to the full tuition rate.
- Being placed in a probation status for any reason will result in immediate loss of the Scholarship

Purdue University Global will manage all aspects of the recipient's initial enrollment and all subsequent academic course term enrollments for recipients meeting continued eligibility for receipt of the Scholarship.

## REINSTATEMENT VIA LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR MILITARY LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Scholarship can be reinstated provided both requirements are met below:

- Student returns within the approved parameters of:
  - A personal leave of absence (LOA)
  - A scheduled military LOA (MLOA)
  - An unscheduled MLOA
- Student's CGPA upon re-entry satisfies minimum required for eligibility to maintain the Scholarship.

1 U.S. military servicemembers are defined as (a) members of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, or Coast Guard who have served full time for at least 180 days after September 11, 2001, and all those who have been either killed or wounded in action after September 11, 2001; or (b) members of the military reserves who have been activated to full-time duty and members of the National Guard who have been federalized and who otherwise meet the requirements.

2 First-time enrollee means that at the time of Scholarship application applicants may not be a current or prior Kaplan University or Purdue University Global student or enrolled in any program at Purdue University Global.

3 AAS in Business Administration, AAS in Criminal Justice and Criminology, AAS in Legal Support and Services, AAS in Public Safety and Security, BS in Business Administration, BS in Corrections, BS in Criminal Justice, BS in Early Childhood Administration, BS in Psychology in Addictions, BS in Psychology in Applied Behavior Analysis, and BS in Psychology in Industrial/Organizational Psychology.

4 Surviving spouses are defined as those individuals married to a U.S. military servicemember who died during their marital relationship and the spouse has not remarried.

5 Dependents are defined as biological, stepchildren, or legally adopted children living in the servicemember or sponsor's household or primarily supported by the servicemember or sponsor.

6 For the purposes of Scholarship eligibility only, veterans are defined as persons who previously served in, or retired from service in, the U.S. Armed Forces.

7 Unofficial transcripts can be submitted to establish evidence of a qualifying CGPA. Award of Scholarship does not mean that submitted prior coursework is accepted for transfer credit toward a degree or certificate. To submit prior coursework for consideration as transfer credit toward completion of your Purdue University Global degree or certificate, please refer to the Prior Learning Assessment policies and requirements in the University Catalog.

Notes:

1. Scholarship disbursement eligibility cannot be regained by the student once it is lost.
2. Purdue University Global reserves the right to amend scholarship/grant policies or awards, or discontinue granting scholarships/grants to additional students at any time.
3. Employees of Purdue University Global or Kaplan, Inc., and its subsidiaries and their spouses or children are not eligible to apply.