Veteran/Active Duty Status Clarification
2023-2024

On the FAFSA, you indicated that you were an eligible veteran or on active duty status. The Veterans Administration did not confirm your military status when the FAFSA was processed. Additional information is requested in order to consider you independent for financial aid purposes. Be aware that independent status defined by the Veterans Administration is different than the U.S. Department of Education. Answer each question regarding the student’s military status. Visit https://www.ohio.edu/financial-aid/forms for directions on submitting your forms using our Secure Upload Portal, mailing, or faxing.

Student Name

Student PID (Pxxxxxxxxx)

Written Student Signature (Electronic Signature Not Accepted)  Date

Please select the military status that applies to your current situation and follow the instructions associated with that status.

Veteran
You are considered a veteran if you were discharged from the military with a status other than dishonorable and meet one of the following criteria. If one of the below status’ apply, you will need to provide a copy of your DD-214, member 4. Check the appropriate box which applies to your status:

☐ I was a member of the armed forces (Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Marine Corp, Air Force) and have engaged in active duty includes basic training.
☐ I was a member of either the National Guard or Reserves and was called to active duty other than state or training purposes. Basic training does not qualify.
☐ I was a cadet or midshipman at one of the service academies.

Currently on Active Duty
You are considered active duty if you have not yet been discharged from the military and meet one of the criteria below. If one of the criteria below apply, you will need to provide a copy of your active duty orders. Check the appropriate box which applies to your status:

☐ I am a member of the armed forces (Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Marine Corp, Air Force) and engaged in active duty which includes basic training.
☐ I am a member of either the National Guard or Reserves and have been called to active duty other than state or training purposes. Basic training does not qualify.

None of Above
☐ I incorrectly answered this question on the FAFSA and do not meet the criteria for veteran or active duty status. I will provide parental information on the FAFSA by using one of the options below:
  ☐ I will log back onto the 2023-2024 FAFSA, update the veteran/active duty status to ‘no’ and enter parental information.
  ☐ I will complete and submit the FAFSA Parental Information form located at https://www.ohio.edu/financial-aid/forms.