

§ 1372. Tuition Waiver for Veterans.

(a) Notwithstanding any law or regulation to the contrary, the governing board of the Northern Marianas College shall waive the tuition for an eligible veteran as defined in 3 CMC § 1371. The costs other than tuition—such as for books, student activity and laboratory fees, and other applicable fees—are not waived.

(b) NMC shall assist each applicant apply and submit to the institution, in the form and manner prescribed by NMC, an application for the waiver and necessary evidence that the applicant qualifies for the waiver not later than the last class date of the semester or term to which the waiver applies.

(c) The waiver from tuition does not apply to a veteran who at the time of registration is entitled to receive, but did not apply for, educational benefits under both federal and local legislation that may be used only for the payment of tuition if the value of those benefits received in a semester is equal to or exceeds the value of the waiver for the same semester. If the value of both federal and local benefits that may be used only for the payment of tuition and are received in a semester does not equal or exceed the value of the waiver for the same semester, the person is entitled to receive the waiver balance for the same semester only after all federal and local tuition benefits have been applied.

(d) This waiver shall not apply to any courses from which the veteran has withdrawn after the withdrawal period or any courses from which the veteran has failed to receive a passing grade. Provided that this waiver may apply to courses where the veteran, with the permission of the relevant Dean of his or her program, withdrew due to reasonable factors beyond his or her control.

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Commission Comment: *Legislative Findings of 2022 Legislation.*— For Findings and Purpose of PL 22-16, see Commission comment to 3 CMC § 1371.

Modifications.— In codifying PL 22-16, the Commission numbered this section, pursuant to 1 CMC § 3806(a), and substituted “3 CMC § 1371” for “Section 101” to conform the reference to a renumbered section, pursuant to 1 CMC § 3806(c).