



# Central State University

## Tuition Remission Pilot Program

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### What is new in this Tuition Remission Benefit?

**A:** This program allows CSU employees, Alumni, and their families to enroll in degree seeking classes regardless of age or financial dependency. Program expands the access to family members and alumni who were not included in the past.

#### When does this program begin?

**A:** The new benefit program will begin January 2021 Spring semester.

#### Is there a semester or time limit to this program?

**A:** At this time there is no semester or time limit to this benefit.

#### Are family members allowed to register for classes if they are not a dependent of employee or sponsoring alumni?

**A:** The benefit does not require any family member to be a financial dependent.

#### Who is eligible?

**A:** The New Tuition Remission Benefit Program is open to CSU Employees and Alumni members in good standing, who are full dues-paying members or retiree members, and their families. Families are children (or stepchildren), grandchildren (or step-grandchildren), spouses, domestic partners, financial dependents, siblings, and parents, including in-laws.

#### How can I apply for the Tuition Remission Benefit?

**A:** To apply complete the following four steps. If the student is already an admitted and actively enrolled student, then they would start with Step Two.

- **Step One:** Apply for admissions at [centralstate.edu/apply](https://centralstate.edu/apply)
  - Students are responsible for application fees, matriculation fees, general fees, books, and health fees.
- **Step Two:** Complete a FAFSA at [studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa](https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa)
- **Step Three:** Register for classes
- **Step Four:** Complete a [Tuition Remission Form](#) each semester.
  - Tuition and fees for the courses whose final grades are D/F/FZ/Z will be billed to the student and the responsible party.

### **Can I live on campus in this program?**

**A:** Yes. The benefit does not prohibit you from living on campus if you meet age requirements.

### **Which academic programs are eligible for the program?**

**A:** All classes and programs are eligible under this program.

### **Can I take online programs through the tuition remission program?**

**A:** Yes, the regular 16-week classes are eligible under this program. You can take online or face to face classes. If you want to take the 8-week classes, you must be in the Career plus program.

### **Can I take online programs through the Career Plus program?**

**A:** Yes, you can enroll in this program effective January 2020. The requirements of this program are different. Please review FAQ's online or call the 888-897-9671 for additional information.

### **Are there any costs that must be paid?**

**A:** Yes. The student is responsible for application fees, matriculation fees, general fees, books, and health fees.

### **Is there a GPA requirement?**

**A:** Yes, the University enrollment criteria is required to participate in this program.

### **What if the employee or sponsoring alumni is not in good standing?**

**A:** If sponsoring employee or alumni (dues paying) is not in good standing the student will be required to pay all regular fees commensurate with next semester.

### **Can student receive a refund for PELL, SEOG or OCOG?**

**A:** The Tuition Remission benefit allows a student under this program to receive a refund after all tuition fees are addressed. Any additional external aid can be used for room and board. No institutional aid can be used to pay general used for general fees or refunded to student.

### **Can I get a second degree through the Tuition Remission Program?**

**A:** Yes, you can get a second degree with this benefit.

### **Can an employee or alumni program participant switch between Tuition Remission or Career Plus program?**

**A:** Yes, if your circumstance change the University will allow a onetime switch per student.

### **How do I maintain my Tuition Remission new benefit?**

**A:** Once you receive the Tuition Remission benefit to cover the cost of tuition at CSU, you must comply with all academic, conduct, attendance and financial aid policies as required by the college, the state of Ohio and the U.S. Department of Education in order to continue to receive the benefit for each semester in which you enroll in classes toward your degree. You must also continue to be a full dues-paying member of the alumni association or an active employee (or an eligible family member). You are also required to complete the FAFSA, including any required verification, for every new academic year.

### **What is “continuous enrollment”?**

**A:** Continuous enrollment is required in order to access this program. Continuous enrollment means that once a student begins studies, they must take a minimum of three credit hours (typically one course) in consecutive semesters until they complete their degree. In an academic year, consecutive is Fall, and Spring. Summer attendance is not a requirement. Students who do not continuously enroll will not be required to pay any money back (assuming their FAFSA is complete); however, they may have to pay for future terms at CSU. If a student breaks continuous enrollment they will have to appeal to be able to access this benefit after discontinuing.

### **Do I have to pay any money back if I do not complete my class or program?**

**A:** No, if you decide to not finish your degree at any point as long you are not required to pay any funds back.

### **What if I do not qualify for any federal financial aid?**

**A:** Federal financial aid is not necessary to enroll in this program; however, all students are required to complete the FAFSA.

### **Do I have to apply any other scholarships or benefits for which I am eligible to my tuition and fees at CSU?**

**A:** No, however the student must pay all fees before being allowed to register.

### **What if I need to discontinue my studies?**

**A:** A student may withdraw from a class prior to the withdrawal deadline each semester. Students are required to contact the financial aid office prior to the withdrawal deadline in order to see what impact it might have on their financial aid and/or scholarship.

### **Am I able to take out loans?**

**A:** Students are able to take out loans, but no more than \$1,000 per semester. Approval for more than \$1000 must be approved by Financial Aid. If you exceed this requirement, you may be removed from the program.

### **What if a student is in default?**

**A:** The student should contact Financial Aid and submit an appeal to be reviewed for inclusion in the new tuition remission program.

### **What out of pocket expenses is the student obligated?**

**A:** The student must pay all application and ancillary fees in addition to book and technology needs.

### **What if I have a back balance with CSU?**

**A:** The student must clear all back balances before participating in this new program. If you have extenuating issues, please contact Financial Aid to appeal this decision.

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