

# CHANGES TO CATALOG

EFFECTIVE AS OF AUGUST 1, 2009

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### **Freedom Grant**

*(Atlanta, Houston, London, Los Angeles, South Florida)*

AIU has established a grant for all active duty and drilling members of the U.S. military and their immediate family members\* to assist in providing the opportunity to attend a degree program of study at AIU. The amount of the grant is contingent upon the level of study. Currently the grant levels are as follows:

- Associates degree programs: Up to 10%\*\*
- Bachelors degree programs: Up to 15%\*\*
- Masters degree programs: Up to 20%\*\*

To be eligible for the Freedom Grant and waived application fee, a candidate must be accepted for admission to the University, allow for the verification of their current military status (or that of their spouse or parent/legal guardian), and complete the Freedom Grant Attestation form.

The conditions are as follows:

- The Freedom Grant is used exclusively towards prior or current tuition charges.
- The grant is awarded proportionately over each quarter in the program.
- Qualifying students are active and drilling members of the U.S. military personnel and their immediate families' members\*.
- Candidates must apply and be accepted for admission to the University to be eligible to receive the grant.
- All grants are applied as a credit to the student's account, and no cash payments will be awarded to the student.

- The grant is non-transferrable and non-substitutable and cannot be combined with any other AIU institutional grant.
- The grant with the greatest benefit to the student will be applied.

Students selected for membership verification must provide documentation before the grant is applied. Students not able to provide documentation will also be required to pay the application fee.

\*Immediate family members: Spouse (life partner) or dependent children as defined by the U.S. Department of Education's dependency criteria. Siblings, cousins, etc. are not considered an immediate family member.

\*\*For students utilizing Chapter 33 Post-9/11 benefits, the veterans educational benefit awarded for tuition purposes will be considered before determining the Freedom Grant amount. The combination of Chapter 33 benefits applied to tuition and the Freedom Grant cannot exceed the amount of tuition for the term. In no case will the Freedom Grant award exceed the percentage listed above.

*Note: The Freedom Grant funding is limited. If funding for the Freedom Grant is exhausted, otherwise eligible students may not be awarded the grant.*

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### **A Veterans Grant**

AIU has established a grant for all honorably discharged\* Veterans of the U.S. military and their immediate family members\*\* to assist in providing the opportunity to attend a degree program of study at AIU. Veterans may be eligible for up to 10% of tuition costs and immediate family members may be eligible for up to 5% of tuition costs\*\*\*.

To be eligible for the grant and waived application fee, a candidate must be accepted for admission to the University, allow for the verification of their military discharge via a DD-214 Member-4, or comparable government document (or that of their spouse or parent/legal guardian), and complete the AIU Veterans Grant Attestation form. The conditions are as follows:

- The AIU Veterans Grant is used exclusively towards prior or current tuition charges.
- The grant is awarded proportionately over each quarter in the program.
- Qualifying students are honorably discharged\* Veterans of the U.S. military and their immediate family members\*\*.
- Candidates must apply and be accepted for admission to the University to be eligible to receive the grant.
- All grants are applied as a credit to the student's account, and no cash payments will be awarded to the student.
- The grant is non-transferrable and non-substitutable and cannot be combined with any other AIU institutional grant.
- The grant with the greatest benefit to the student will be applied.

Students selected for membership verification must provide documentation before the grant is applied. Students not able to provide documentation will also be required to pay the application fee.

\*Certain exceptions apply

\*\*Immediate family members: Spouse (life partner) or dependent children only, as defined by the U.S. Department of Education's dependency criteria. Siblings, cousins, etc. are not considered an immediate family member.

\*\*\*For students utilizing Chapter 33 Post – 9/11 benefits, the veterans educational benefit awarded for tuition purposes will be considered before determining the AIU Veterans Grant amount. The combination of Chapter 33 benefits applied to tuition and the AIU Veterans Grant award cannot exceed the amount of tuition for the term. In no case will the AIU Veterans Grant award exceed the percentage listed above.

*Note: The AIU Veterans Grant Funding is limited. If funding for the AIU Veterans Grant is exhausted, otherwise eligible students may not be awarded the grant.*

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### *Yellow Ribbon Grant*

In accordance with the Yellow Ribbon Program, a provision of the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008, the University has established a Yellow Ribbon Grant. Eligibility and amounts are determined on an annual basis (on or after August 1st) and are subject to change.

To be eligible for the grant and waived application fee, a candidate must be accepted for admission to the University, be eligible for Chapter 33 Post-9/11 veterans benefits at the 100% rate, as determined by the Department of Veterans Affairs, complete the appropriate University Attestation form, and allow for the verification of their Chapter 33 Post-9/11 eligibility via a DD-214 Member-4, or Certificate of Eligibility, or comparable government document.

The conditions are as follows:

- Candidates must be an eligible Veteran or a Dependent of an eligible Veteran that meets the Post-9/11 GI Bill Transferability requirements ([www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov)).
- Candidates must apply and be accepted for admission to the University to be eligible.
- The Yellow Ribbon Grant is applied as a credit to the student's account, and no cash payments will be awarded to the student.
- The Yellow Ribbon Grant is used exclusively towards prior or current tuition charges.
- The Yellow Ribbon Grant is awarded for each period in the program that the student is determined eligible, and where the grant is needed.
- The Yellow Ribbon Grant is non-transferable and non-substitutable and cannot be combined with any other institutional grant.

American InterContinental University is committed to assisting military students in determining the best options available to them. To receive additional information on veterans educational benefit eligibility, students can contact the Veterans Administration at 800-827-1000, or 888-GI BILL-1 (1-888-442-4551) or visit their website at [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov).

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### Assessment of Academic Proficiency

#### *Atlanta, Houston, South Florida*

An assessment of academic proficiency is conducted for all undergraduate students at AIU Atlanta in language, reading and mathematics to ensure success in their University degree program of study. Acceptable measures of academic proficiency include the results of a standardized academic assessment including ACT and SAT or the diagnostic assessment administered during a student's first term of study at the campus. Transfer students may demonstrate proficiency for English or mathematics with a grade of 'C' or better in college-level coursework or have proficiency credit in these subject areas. Students with academic challenges in English, reading, and mathematics or without prior successful collegiate experience are identified through diagnostic assessment prior to entering the introductory ENG 105 and MTH 133 courses.

Students who demonstrate basic academic challenges in these areas are immediately placed on an academic success plan administered by Academic Affairs and will be required to attend the assigned Learning Center sessions as indicated by their assessment outcomes. Faculty and Student Success staff, including Online staff and campus Learning Center staff, will implement concurrent required academic activities to improve math, reading, and English proficiency. Successful completion of these focused activities will enable students to improve their academic performance along with their persistence towards graduation.

Students are also advised to visit the Learning Center for additional resources that assists students in mastering basic academic proficiency in order to prepare them for collegiate-level study.

#### *London*

An assessment of academic proficiency is conducted for all undergraduate students at AIU to determine their level of proficiency in language, reading, and mathematics to ensure success in their University degree program of study. Acceptable measures of academic proficiency include the results of a standardized academic assessment such as the ACT, SAT, or Accuplacer assessment. Students may complete the Accuplacer assessment through AIU at no additional cost. If it is determined that a student does not possess the minimal standards of proficiency in language, reading, or mathematics, he or she will be scheduled in the appropriate developmental coursework and/or provided with an individualized academic assistance plan to strengthen the area of need. Transfer students may demonstrate proficiency in language, reading, and mathematics through a grade 'C' or better in college level coursework or proficiency credit in these subject areas. Students admitted to AIU Online without prior successful collegiate experience or with academic deficiencies in English or mathematics are identified through diagnostic assessment prior to entering the introductory ENG105 and MTH133 courses.

Students who demonstrate basic academic deficiencies in these areas are immediately placed on an academic success plan that is administered by their Academic Advisor. At AIU Online, they are also advised to visit the Learning Center for additional resources that assist students in mastering basic academic proficiency in order to prepare them for collegiate-level study.