

Life After AmeriCorps: Using Your Segal Education Award

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Agenda

- I. Segal Education Award Details
- II. Technical Support
- III. Questions From The Chat Box



Your part in national service

- AmeriCorps opportunities in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and Guam
- 3 streams of service: State & National, VISTA, & NCCC
- 6 focus areas:
 - Education
 - Healthy Futures
 - Economic Opportunity
 - Disaster Services
 - Environmental Stewardship
 - Veterans & Military Families



Segal Education Award

- Benefit for AmeriCorps State & National, VISTA, and NCCC
- Tied to the Pell Grant – current max of \$6,345
- Use within 7 years, except for extenuating circumstances
- Lifetime limit of 2 full awards (for example, full award is 1.0; half award is 0.5)
- **Education awards and interest payments are taxable income.**



Education award amounts

Term of Service	Minimum Hours	Education Award Amount (before Oct. 1, 2020)	Education Award Amount (starting Oct. 1, 2020)
Full-Time	1700	\$6,195.00	\$6,345.00
Three-Quarters Time	1200	\$4,336.50	\$4,441.50
Half-Time	900	\$3,097.50	\$3,172.50
Reduced Half-Time	675	\$2,360.00	\$2,417.14
Quarter-Time	450	\$1,638.89	\$1,678.57
Minimal-Time	300	\$1,311.11	\$1,342.86



Traditional uses

Title IV Schools

***can process U.S. federal aid**

Cost of attendance (determined by school), e.g., tuition, books, room and board; resources required but not provided by the school

Repay Qualified Student Loans

- Applicable loan types are listed by AmeriCorps the agency
- The Trust will pay all or some of the interest accrued during service, in addition to the education award



Creative uses

- Non-degree educational courses
- Programs approved through the G.I. Bill
- Study abroad program
- **Outward Bound**
outwardbound.org/classic/americorps-education-awards/
- **National Outdoor Leadership School**
info.nols.edu/americorps
- Transfer your award (if at least 55 by start of term)



**OUTWARD
BOUND**



Schools of National Service

- Tuition matching for the Segal AmeriCorps Education Award (could be at the undergraduate or graduate level and could be specific to a school or program)
- Scholarship or fellowship to AmeriCorps alumni
- Priority points for admission consideration for AmeriCorps alumni
- In-state tuition for AmeriCorps alumni
- Expenses like books and supplies, room and board, or other personal costs like transportation for AmeriCorps alumni
- One-year enrollment deferrals for individuals to serve in AmeriCorps
- Academic credit for AmeriCorps experience
- Other incentives that vary by institution



Schools of National Service in Colorado

Colorado State University, Conservation Leadership through Learning Master's Program

Iliff School of Theology

Metropolitan State University of Denver (any program)

National Personal Training Institute of Denver

Regis University, Development Practice program

University of Colorado Denver, School of Public Affairs, Accelerated Master of Public Administration

University of Denver, Josef Korbel School of International Studies (dollar-for-dollar)

University of Denver, University College, Nonprofit Leadership program

Western Colorado University, Master in Environmental Management



Resources

AmeriCorps Education Award Information:

americorps.gov/members-volunteers/segal-ameri-corps-education-award

Schools of National Service:

americorps.gov/partner/partnerships/schools-national-service

AmeriCorps Alumni:

americorps.gov/members-volunteers/alumni

Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program

studentaid.gov/manage-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/public-service



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AmeriCorps VISTA

AmeriCorps NCCC

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Preferred Name:	
Date of Birth:	
NSPID:	
SSN:	
E-mail:	
Permanent Address:	<div></div>
Home Phone Number:	
Work or Other Phone Number:	
Mailing Address:	
Home Phone Number:	
Work or Other Phone Number:	
AmeriCorps Service Date:	<div></div>
Available Balance:	
* Payment Type:	
* Amount Authorized:	<div></div>

Institution Information [\(Search for Institutions\)](#) ?

Please select an institution to send this request to by clicking the "Search Institutions" link above.

Certify and Submit ?

☐ I authorize the amount indicated above to be paid to the loan holder or educational institution named above.

☐ I certify that I have not been convicted, since the completion of my term of service or receipt of my transferred award amount, of the possession or sale of a controlled substance. (If you are unable to make this certification please contact the help desk at 1-800-942-2677 to find out what you must do to be eligible to use your award.)

☐ I authorize the release of any loan information to the National Service Trust.

I certify that all of the information I have provided is true and correct. I understand that a knowing and willful false statement on this form can be punished by one or more of the following: a fine or imprisonment or both under Section 1001 of Title 18, U.S.C.; exclusion from participation in Federal programs; forfeiture of benefits I may receive as a result of my enrollment; or other actions authorized by the Civil Fraud Remedies Act, 31 U.S.C. 3801-3802

If you are unable to make these certifications, please contact the help desk at 1-800-942-2677 and we will inform you of what you must do to be eligible to use the award.

Please click submit button ONCE. Do not click back button or refresh your browser.

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Name:
Preferred Name:
Date of Birth:
NSPID:
SSN:
E-mail:
Permanent Address:
Home Phone Number:
Work or Other Phone Number:
Mailing Address:
Home Phone Number:
Work or Other Phone Number:
AmeriCorps Service Date:
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Status of the request

<u>Request</u>	<u>Status</u> ?	<u>Creation Date</u>	<u>Modified Date</u>
Education Award - Loan	Pending Institution Action	2/07/2008	2/11/2008

What you should do: Wait for your loan company or school to take action.

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Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	2/07/2008	2/11/2008

What you should do: Contact your loan company or school to verify payment.

<u>Request</u>	<u>Status</u> ?	<u>Creation Date</u>	<u>Modified Date</u>
Education Award - Loan	Denied by Institution	2/07/2008	2/11/2008

What you should do: Click “Education Award” and scroll to the bottom to find the reason for denial; contact loan company or school.

Status of request history

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Education Award - Expense	Cancelled	11/23/2016	11/23/2016
Education Award - Expense	Accepted by Institution	1/25/2017	2/08/2017
Education Award - Expense	Cancelled	11/21/2016	11/21/2016
Interest Payment	Denied by Institution	10/04/2019	10/21/2019
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Education Award - Loan	Denied by Institution	10/04/2019	10/21/2019
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	10/30/2019	11/01/2019
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	12/06/2019	12/10/2019
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	1/02/2020	1/08/2020
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	1/31/2020	2/04/2020
Interest Payment	Accepted by Institution	1/22/2020	1/28/2020
Forbearance	Received by Institution	2/18/2016	2/18/2016
Forbearance	Denied by Institution	1/08/2016	1/08/2016
Education Award - Expense	Accepted by Institution	8/16/2017	8/24/2017
Education Award - Expense	Accepted by Institution	1/07/2018	1/11/2018
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	6/11/2019	6/13/2019
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	7/15/2019	7/19/2019
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	8/08/2019	8/14/2019
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	9/09/2019	9/18/2019
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	11/28/2018	11/28/2018
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	1/08/2019	1/10/2019
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	2/15/2019	2/18/2019
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	4/11/2019	4/15/2019
Education Award - Loan	Accepted by Institution	3/19/2019	3/20/2019


A history of requests will look like this in your My Education Award tab

Interest accrual payments

- Student loans will accrue interest during your AmeriCorps term.
- AmeriCorps will pay the interest that accrued on your loans with what is called an “Interest Accrual Payment.”
- In addition to your education award
- Request once your term of service is complete.
- **Make your Interest Accrual Payment request BEFORE you use the entire balance of your award, or you will forfeit your Interest Accrual Payment.**

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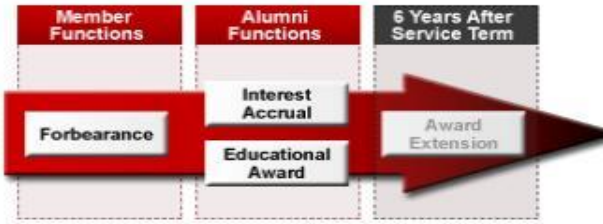
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Request an interest accrual payment

You **MUST** submit an Interest Accrual Payment Request for **EVERY** loan you had in forbearance.

My Information

Name:
Date of Birth:
NSPID:
SSN:
E-mail:

Permanent Address:

Home Phone Number:
Work or Other Phone Number:

Mailing Address:

Home Phone Number:
Work or Other Phone Number:

* Term of service: 01/12/2010 to 06/17/2010 ?

Institution Information ([Search for Institutions](#)) ?

Please select an institution to send this request to by clicking the "Search Institutions" link above.

Comments:

If you have more than one loan with the institution you specified you may specify a particular loan number and loan type.

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Forms can be viewed using [Adobe Reader](#) software.

End Year IRS Reporting

W-2 End Year Wage Statements ?

A W-2 form will be made available to you by January 31 of each year showing the amount of your earnings from the Corporation and the amount of federal taxes withheld for the preceding calendar year. When you do your taxes, you need to include a copy of the W-2 for that year.

- 2006
- 2007
- 2009
- 2010

1099 End Year Tax Statements ?

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has determined that payments from the Segal Education Award and interest payments made on behalf of a member during a particular calendar year are considered taxable income in that year. These payments (if total payments are equal to or greater than \$600 in the year) are reported to the IRS and you will receive a 1099-MISC IRS form. The amount stated on the 1099 must be included as income on your tax return.


- 2008
- 2010
- 2011
- 2012

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* **Service Term:**
Please Select ▼

* **Letter Type:**
Please Select ▼

Type name and address of recipient:

cancel

print

If you have served more than one term you can choose

This will depend on the branch in which you served and may not be an option for you

You can add the recipient's info if you want

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