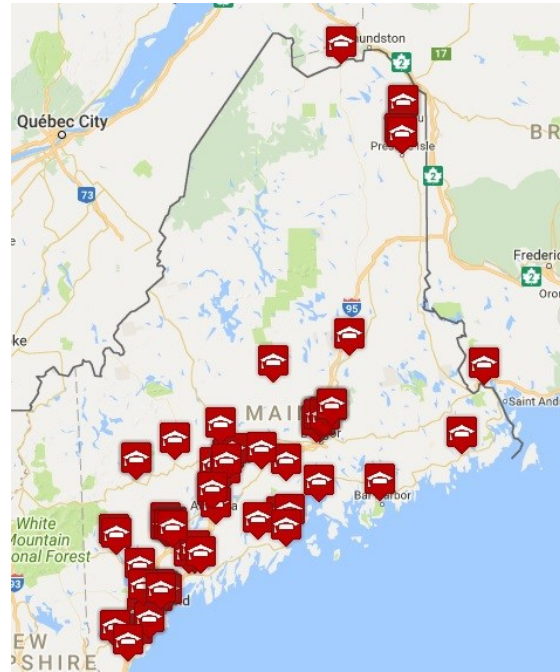




## Participating Schools Include:

University of Maine  
University of Maine at Augusta  
University of Maine at Farmington  
University of Maine at Fort Kent  
University of Maine at Machias  
University of Maine at Presque Isle  
University of Southern Maine  
Maine Maritime Academy  
Central Maine Community College  
Eastern Maine Community College  
Kennebec Valley Community College  
Northern Maine Community College  
Southern Maine Community College  
Washington County Community College  
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Veterans  
Dependents  
Educational  
Benefits

## DO I QUALIFY FOR BENEFITS?

**Spouses, Children, Step-Children, and Adopted Children qualify.**

Veterans must meet one of the following requirements:

- 100% Permanent & Total disability rating
- Killed in action
- Died from a service connected disability
- As a member of the Armed Forces on Active Duty was listed MIA for 90 days, captured or forcibly detained in the line of duty

Veteran means any person who served in the military of the United States and entered the service from this State or has been a resident of this State for **5 years**. Veterans who entered service from another state **must** provide residency verification for the State of Maine for 5 years preceding the application.

## HOW DO I APPLY?

To apply for the Veterans Dependents Education Benefits Program, please visit:

[http://maine.gov/veterans/docs/VDEB1\\_APPLICATION.pdf](http://maine.gov/veterans/docs/VDEB1_APPLICATION.pdf)

### **Spouses Must Have:**

Copy of DD214  
Copy of Marriage Certificate

### **Children Must Have:**

Copy of DD214  
Birth Certificate with both parents' names

### **Step-Children Must Have:**

Copy of DD214  
Marriage Certificate showing biological parent is married to the veteran  
Birth Certificate

### **Adopted Children Must Have:**

Copy of DD214  
Adoption Certificate  
Birth Certificate

## FAQ

### **Q. What does VDEB cover?**

A. 100% waiver of tuition and mandatory fees

### **Q. How many dependents qualify for VDEB per veteran?**

A. All children of a disabled veteran qualify for benefit.

### **Q. What type of degree can I earn?**

A. Spouses may be admitted to certificate programs, or an associate's, bachelor's or master's degree program. Children may use benefit for an associate's or bachelor's program.

### **Q. Is there an age limit?**

A. Children must enroll in program prior to the age of 22 unless they are unable due to service in the Armed Forces.

### **Q. How long do I have to complete my degree?**

A. Spouses have up to 10 consecutive years from the date of entrance. Children have up to 6 consecutive academic years.