

# USU Selective Service Exemption

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Student Name:	Student Number: <b>A</b>
Email:	Phone Number:

**Federal law prohibits male students from receiving financial aid, including loans and grants, if they are not registered for selective service. If you feel you are exempt from this requirement, please provide a signed letter explaining your circumstances. You must provide supporting documentation.**

## Exempt from registration:

You may be exempt from the requirement to register if you meet one of the following conditions:

- ☐ males currently in the armed services and on active duty (this exception does not apply to members of the Reserve and National Guard who are not on active duty);
- ☐ males who served on active duty in the armed services - Must provide DD 214: Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty showing military service in the armed forces - other than the reserve forces, the Delayed Entry Pool and the National Guard.
- ☐ citizens of the Republic of Palau, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, or the Federated States of Micronesia\*;
- ☐ non-citizens who first entered the U.S. after they turned 26;
- ☐ non-citizens who entered the U.S. as lawful non-immigrants on a valid visa and remained in the U.S. on the terms of that visa until after they turned 26;
- ☐ unable to register due to being hospitalized, incarcerated, or institutionalized;
- ☐ enrolled in any officer procurement program at The Citadel, North Georgia College and State University, Norwich University, Virginia Military Institute, Texas A&M University, or Virginia Polytechnic and State University; or
- ☐ Commissioned Public Health Service officers on active duty or members of the Reserve of the Public Health Service on specified active duty.

If you feel that you are exempt from this requirement, you must explain your situation and provide supporting documentation.

## Failure to Register for Selective Service:

The Selective Service will only register males age 18 through 25. However, you may still be eligible to receive aid if you can demonstrate that you did not knowingly and willfully fail to register.

You must contact the Selective Service to get a "Status Information Letter" addressing your failure to register. You can download a request form from the Selective Service website ([www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov)) to print out, complete, and mail.

After you receive a "Status Information Letter" from Selective Service, you must provide it to the financial aid office, with a complete description about your situation including:

- Where you were living during the period when you should have registered;
- Whether you were incarcerated or institutionalized;
- Your citizenship status during the period, if applicable, and so on;
- Whether you thought you were registered;
- Why you were not aware of the widely publicized requirement to register when you were 18 through 25.

Explain why you failed to register for selective service. Students without military service who knew of the registration requirement but chose not to register are considered to have knowingly and willfully failed to register and are therefore ineligible for Financial Aid funds.

**I certify all information in this appeal (including submitted documentation) is true and accurate.**

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Petition action by committee:    Approved ☐    Rejected ☐    Further Information Required ☐

Comments

Committee Signatures: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_