

Dependent Tuition for Faculty

We believe one should always keep growing and learning and strive to encourage that in the next generations. To continue the love of learning, Vanderbilt offers a Tuition Benefit for eligible, full-time faculty's dependent children toward their first baccalaureate degree at an accredited college or University of their choice.

What's covered?

Each eligible dependent child may receive tuition assistance for up to eight academic semesters or 12 academic quarters of undergraduate courses. The benefit begins the semester following five years of continuous service.

For faculty employed prior to 9/1/2012: A dependent child who is enrolled at Vanderbilt or another accredited college or University is entitled each semester to a benefit of 70 percent of the total tuition not to exceed 70 percent of Vanderbilt's tuition.

For faculty employed on or after 9/1/2012: A dependent child who is enrolled at Vanderbilt or another accredited college or University is entitled each semester to a benefit of 55 percent of the total tuition not to exceed 55 percent of Vanderbilt's tuition.

How do I apply for Dependent Tuition?

Faculty may apply online through EdAssist starting **90 days prior to the semester start date**. The **DEADLINE** to submit an application is **30 days after the semester start date**.

1. Apply online with EdAssist
2. EdAssist® reviews the application and, if criteria are met, EdAssist approves and notifies you of the updated status via email. EdAssist generates a Letter of Credit for you to print or download and provide to the school. The school sends EdAssist the completed Letter of Credit. EdAssist® processes payment to the school.
3. For questions on the process of applying or your application status, contact EdAssist. You can reach a live operator Monday through Friday 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. CT at 844-266-1532; log in and use the chat function to get an instant response; or submit a help ticket by clicking Contact Us from the left menu through the EdAssist Portal.

For a step-by-step guide, please see [EdAssist's Dependent Tuition tutorial](#).

Are there any restrictions on using the Dependent Tuition Benefit?

- The benefit cannot exceed a total of 24 semesters for all of their children, and no one child can receive benefits for more than 8 semesters.
- Any scholarship that is granted to the qualifying child and is applied, by the terms of the scholarship, toward tuition may reduce the amount of tuition benefit that Vanderbilt pays.
- Benefits are confined to undergraduate courses leading to the first baccalaureate degree.
- The continuation of the benefit is contingent upon the parent's continued employment at Vanderbilt.
- The benefit may be used only for tuition and not for room and board, books or meal plans.

For more information, see our [Faculty Manual](#) or visit [HR's Dependent Tuition](#) page.