



**Veterans Upward Bound  
Participant Application**

Veterans Upward Bound is a Federal TRIO program funded by the U.S. Department of Education.

**U.S. Military Service:**  Army  AR  ARNG/State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Marine Corps  MCR  Navy  NR  Air Force  
 AFR  AFANG/State \_\_\_\_\_  Coast Guard  CGR  
 Space Force  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Service# \_\_\_\_\_ Date Entered Service: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
(If other than Soc Sec#)

Date Separated: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Type of discharge \_\_\_\_\_

DD214 Provided by Veteran:  Yes  No, need to request

Photo ID Provided:  Yes  No

**Social Security Number** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**Full Legal Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Gender:  Male  
(MM DD YY YY)  Female

Ethnicity/Race (Check all that apply):  
 Hispanic/Latino  American Indian/Alaskan Native  
 Asian  Black/African American  
 White  Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

Do you have a disability? (check all that apply)  
 Service-connected  Yes Percent: \_\_\_\_%  No  Pending  
 Non-service connected  Yes  No  Pending  
 Social Security  Yes  No  Pending  
 Social Security Disability  Yes  No  Pending

Are you a U. S. citizen?  Yes  No

Do you have a four-year degree?  Yes  No

Convicted of a felony/court martial?  Yes  No

Did either of your parents receive a four-year degree prior to you turning 18?  Yes  No

Who referred you to us? \_\_\_\_\_

(Staff complete) Date of First Project Service: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/202\_\_\_\_

After completing VUB, what are your educational goals?  
 Complete GED \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pre-college \_\_\_\_\_  
 Certificate Program \_\_\_\_\_  
 Associate Degree \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bachelor Degree \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Contact: Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relation: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

**Education Status:**  < High School  High School Graduate  
 GED/HS Equivalency  HS Grad w/college  GED w/college

**Employment:**  Unemployed  Employed part-time  
 Employed full-time  Retired

**SELF-ASSESSMENT NEEDS:**  Academic Advice  English  
 Math  Science  Foreign Language  Computer Skills  
 Career Aspirations/Info  Employable Skills  
 Confidence to transition into civilian life/postsecondary  
 Financial Aid/Literacy Info  Military Education Benefits  
 Scholarship Info  College Info  Test Taking Skills  
 Study Skills  Goal Setting  Personal Counseling

**Education History:**

GED/HS/Technical School(s)/College(s)	City/State	Dates Attended	Grad? Y/N	Cert/Degree

**Income Status (based on prior tax year income)**

Provide a signed copy of your Federal Income Tax return or complete the following:

**TAXABLE INCOME: (2023 Income Tax Form 1040, Line 15)**  
 Did not file Federal Income Tax return or less than \$21,870;  
 from \$21,871 to \$29,580;  from \$29,581 to \$37,290;  
 from \$37,291 to \$45,000  from \$45,001 to \$52,710;  
 from \$52,711 to \$60,420  from \$60,421 to \$68,130;  
 from \$68,131 to \$75,840  Greater than \$75,841;  
*(VA, TANF, SSD, SSI, Child Support Income are not taxable income.)*

**FILING STATUS (check one):**  Married, filing jointly  
 Married, filing separate  Single or Head of Household

**TOTAL NUMBER OF EXEMPTIONS (Dependents & Self):** \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that the above information will be used for statistical and follow-up purposes only and is strictly confidential. I certify that all the above information is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and have read and understand the information in the participant agreement and stipend policies.

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/2024  
 Signature Date

**EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY (ETSU)  
VETERANS UPWARD BOUND (VUB) PROJECT  
PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT**

*While East Tennessee State University's Veterans Upward Bound Project cooperates with the Veterans Administration in student referrals and recruiting, our policies, rules and guidelines are solely mandated by the U.S. Department of Education.*

Please read the agreement carefully. Discuss questions you have with a staff member.

1. Each veteran admitted to the Veterans Upward Bound Project is required to actively participate in the Program agreed upon by staff members and participant, and must behave and dress in an appropriate manner.
2. VUB participants are guests of the university and may be suspended and/or dismissed from the project if any of the following occur:
  - Attendance in class or activity under the influence of or in possession of any illegal drug or alcohol (**ETSU is a drug/alcohol/tobacco-free campus**).
  - Excess absences from class, missed appointments or inappropriate behavior.
  - Determination that VUB is an inappropriate program or course of instruction for the participant.
  - Inappropriate use, willful destruction or misappropriation of supplies and equipment.
3. The VUB Project is a contracted program between ETSU and the Department of Education and is dependent upon federal funds for continuance. ETSU and its personnel are in no way liable or obligated to continue project services if federal funds are terminated.
4. The VUB Project is authorized to pay stipends to participants who enroll in pre-college classes and/or receive tutoring in subject areas deemed necessary for entry into and success in post-secondary education programs. The stipend policy is included in the VUB Project Student Handbook which is provided to participants as part of the program intake process.