
UNCW is dedicated to supporting “Seahawks Who Serve.” We have created specific admission processes for both active-duty and veteran members of the armed services. In addition to the main campus, the university offers courses in Onslow County at Coastal Carolina Community College and MCB Camp Lejeune, as well as a variety of online options.

All active and veteran military personnel who have served at least two years can apply to UNCW as transfer students, even with little or no traditional college credit; military training and experience qualify as transfer credit. UNCW does not require SAT or ACT scores for admission. Use this guide to help you as you enroll.

Application Priority Deadlines

Summer/Fall Entry • March 1
Spring Entry • October 15
Create an account at uncw.edu/sealevel.
Complete and submit the application, essay and $80 application fee. The fee is waived for active-duty military. (Select “pay by check” on the application and email militaryadmissions@uncw.edu requesting a fee waiver. Provide full name and date of birth.)
Submit all transcripts (high school, college/university and military) to: UNCW Office of Admissions 601 S. College Road, Wilmington, NC 28403-5904 or fax to 910.962.3038.
For information on obtaining military transcripts, visit vets.gov/employment/job-seekers/military-transcripts.
All students claiming in-state residency (including active duty, dependents and veterans), must complete the residency determination at ncresidency.org and provide their residency certification number. Students who qualify under the Veteran’s Choice Act must complete a supplemental form and provide documentation upon request. Learn more at ncresidency.org.
Pay $100 non-refundable enrollment deposit.
Send updated transcripts (if you are currently enrolled in another institution).
Register for mandatory student orientation and attend the military session. For more information visit uncw.edu/transitions/transfer or call 910.962.3099.
Run your degree audit at uncw.edu/degreeaudit and take it to orientation.
Consider registering for UNI 201-Transfer Seminar. UNI 101 is a required course for first-year students.
Submit medical history and immunization form and complete the health insurance information/waiver.
For assistance with the application process, please email militaryadmissions@uncw.edu or call 910.962.3243.
For additional assistance, email veterans@uncw.edu or call 910.962.3177.
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If eligible, Apply for VA Benefits
If you have used GI Bill benefits at another institution, you must complete VA Form 22-1995 Request for Change of Program or Place of Training.
Military dependents can receive VA educational benefits by having the service member submit paperwork to transfer unused Post 9/11 GI Bill benefits via vets.gov/education/gi-bill-transfer for more information.
Students who have tuition, fees and other charges paid by the military or government must notify the student accounts office to set up third-party billing. For information, email studentaccounts@uncw.edu or call 910.962.4281.
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