

Military Leave Readmissions Policy

Students who wish or need to interrupt their studies to perform military service are subject to a separate military leave readmissions policy.

In the event a student withdraws or takes a leave of absence from YSN to serve in the military, the student will be entitled to guaranteed readmission under the following conditions:

- (1) The student must have served in the Armed Forces for a period of more than 30 consecutive days;
- (2) The student must give advance written or verbal notice of such service to the Assistant Dean for Student Affairs. In providing the advance notice the student does not need to indicate whether he or she intends to return. This advance notice need not come directly from the student, but rather, can be made by an appropriate officer of the Armed Forces or official of the Department of Defense. Notice is not required if precluded by military necessity. In all cases, this notice requirement can be fulfilled at the time the student seeks readmission, by submitting an attestation that the student performed the service.
- 3) The student must not be away from the School to perform military service for a period exceeding five years (this includes all previous absences to perform military service but does not include any initial period of obligated service). If a student's time away from the School to perform military service exceeds five years because the student is unable to obtain release orders through no fault of the student or the student was ordered to or retained on active duty, the student should contact the appropriate dean to determine if the student remains eligible for guaranteed readmission.
- 4) The student must notify YSN within three years of the end of the military service of his or her intention to return. However, a student who is hospitalized or recovering from an illness or injury incurred in or aggravated during the military service has up until two years after recovering from the illness or injury to notify YSN of his or her intent to return; and
- 5) The student cannot have received a dishonorable or bad conduct discharge or have been sentenced in a court-martial.

A student who meets all of these conditions will be readmitted for the next semester, unless the student requests a later date of readmission. Any student who fails to meet one of these requirements may still be readmitted under the general readmission policy but is not guaranteed readmission.

Upon returning to YSN, the student will resume his or her education without repeating completed course work for courses interrupted by military service. The student will have the same enrolled status last held and with the same academic standing. For the first academic year in which the student returns, the student will be charged the tuition and fees that would have been assessed for the academic year in which the student left the institution. YSN may charge up to the amount of tuition and fees other students are assessed, however, if veteran's education benefits will cover the difference between the amounts currently charged other students and the amount charged for the academic year in which the student left.

All students in clinical programs who are away from YSN for more than two consecutive semesters are required to pass a re-entry assessment to demonstrate clinical safety and proficiency. This assessment will normally consist of a written exam, written cases, and demonstration of a comprehensive history and physical exam with relevant SOAP note documentation. The assessment will include content from the student's clinical specialty area encompassing relevant didactic and clinical courses completed prior to the leave of absence. In the case of a student who is not prepared to resume his or her studies with the same academic status at the same point at which the student left or who will not be able to complete the program of study, YSN will undertake reasonable efforts to help the student become prepared. If after reasonable efforts, YSN determines that the student remains unprepared or will be unable to complete the program or after YSN determines that there are no reasonable efforts it can take, YSN may deny the student readmission.