2021 Public Safety Officer Career Advancement Reimbursement (PSOCAR) Program Application for the 2019-2020 Academic Year



PSOCAR is a state-funded program for reimbursement of up to half of tuition and fees (maximum of \$5,000 per year, subject to funding) for students enrolled in criminal justice-related programs at a credit-granting state system of higher education institution, available for up to eight academic years. If total qualified applicant awards exceed available funding in any given year, awards will be reduced on a pro rata basis across all qualified applicants, provided that the minimum designated amounts for particular rural counties are first met. If an award is reduced, applicants may reapply for the remaining portion of their qualified reimbursement for up to two additional years. Reimbursement for those remainders will be awarded after fully funding new awards first.

The 2021 applications will allow for reimbursement of up to half the cost of tuition and fees to students who were enrolled during the 2019-2020 academic year (as defined by the institution), who meet program requirements.

- Qualified applicants may submit applications beginning July 1, 2021, after the post-enrollment work component is completed.
- The deadline for 2021 applications is September 1, 2020 to be considered for reimbursement.
- Applications must be postmarked and addressed to, or received by, the criminal justice or related department at the USHE institution by the application deadline in order to be considered. Contact information for each institution can be found at <u>www.USHE.edu/PSOCAR</u>.

Qualified applicants must:

- be a certified peace officer, currently employed by a law enforcement agency in Utah;
- be seeking a post-secondary degree in the area of criminal justice from a credit-granting USHE Institution;
- have earned credit for all classes for which the applicant is seeking reimbursement;
- be employed by a law enforcement agency in Utah as a certified peace officer for three consecutive years prior to the *completion* of the academic year for which he or she is seeking reimbursement; and
- be employed by a law enforcement agency in Utah as a certified peace officer for one additional year after the completion of that academic year.

For reimbursement of the 2019-2020 academic year, applicants must show proof of continuous employment by a law enforcement agency in Utah as a certified peace officer for the period of July 1, 2017 to the present. Applicable employer(s) must certify continuous employment as a peace officer in the Employment History section provided below.

Qualified applications *must* include:

- A completed application with all sections filled out, including the applicant signature and date
- Employer certification from an authorized representative of each employer for the four-year period
- A copy of the tuition payment receipt(s) and transcript(s) with final grades (unofficial transcripts are acceptable) for the enrollment period

Applications may be submitted by email, post mail, or hand delivery to the designated contact at your USHE institution. For contact information visit www.USHE.edu/PSOCAR.

DEMOGRAPHICS	
Name	Student ID Number
Address (Street, City, State, Zip) WHERE YOU WANT YOUR REIMBURSEMENT SENT	
Phone Number	Email

Institution			Program of Study				
Degree Expected			Date of Degree Expected				
Semester	Credits Attempted	Credits Earned	% Credits Earned	Total Tuition & Fees Paid	Eligible Tuition & Fees		
(Fall, Spring, Summer & Year)	(# Credits Attempted)	(# Credits Earne	d) (Credits earned/ Credits attempted)	Not including late fees	% credits earned * Tuition & fees paid		
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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Include all applicable employment history for the period of July 1, 2017 – the present. Continuous employment as a certified peace officer by a law enforcement agency in Utah for this entire period is required for eligibility. As needed, attach additional employment history information for the period on an additional sheet of paper.

Current Employer				Emplo	oyer Phone		
Employer Address (Street, City, State, Zip)							
Employer Jurisdiction (county or counties)							
Length of Employment:	From (mo/yr)				To (mo/yr)		
THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE EMPLOYER							
Printed Name				Title			
Signature							
I hereby certify I am an authorized representative of the above named employer, which is a law enforcement agency within the state of Utah, and the named applicant was <i>continuously employed as a certified peace officer</i> for the period provided.							

Previous Employer 1			mployer Phone		
Employer Address (Street, City, State, Zip)					
Employer Jurisdiction (county or counties)					
Length of Employment:	From (mo/yr)		To (mo/yr)		
THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE EMPLOYER					
Printed Name	1		itle		
Signature					
I hereby certify I am an authorized representative of the above named employer, which is a law enforcement agency within the state of Utah, and the named applicant was <i>continuously employed as a certified peace officer</i> for the period provided.					

Previous Employer 2			Emplo	yer Phone		
Employer Address (Street, City, State, Zip)						
Employer Jurisdiction (county or counties)					
Length of Employment	: From (mo/yr)			To (mo/yr)		
THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE EMPLOYER						
Printed Name				Title		
Signature						
I hereby certify I am an authorized representative of the above named employer, which is a law enforcement agency within the state of Utah, and the named applicant was <i>continuously employed as a certified peace officer</i> for the period provided.						

Applicant Signature

Date

By signing this application, I hereby certify under the penalty of perjury that I have read and understand the program rules and that all information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE OR RELATED DEPARTMENT AT THE INSTITUTION						
Student Eligibility for Funding: Eligible Ineligible						
Eligible Tuition/Fees (For credit earned in 2019-20 academi yr, tuition w/ mandatory & course fee		Eligible Reimbursement (½ eligible tuition & fees, max \$5,000)				
Printed Name		Title				
Signature						
I hereby certify this applicati funding in accordance with t		the student determined to be eligible or ineligible for cipation agreement.				