



**Illinois National Guard Grant (ING)
SIU Off Campus Students Only**

- Managed by Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC)
 - ISAC Phone Number: 1.800.899.4722
 - ❖ General questions, points, eligibility, etc.
- **Student must apply every year for benefits; an application must be submitted for each academic year, which begins with the fall term and concludes the following summer term.**
 - Apply for ING at: https://www.isac.org/students/during-college/applying-for-financial-aid/applications/ing_applying/index.html
 - For application deadlines: https://www.isac.org/students/during-college/types-of-financial-aid/grants/ING-grant-program.html#Application_Decline_Dates
 - Desired school must be filed with ISAC prior to using benefits at your chosen school
- Requirement for use of ING:
 - Illinois public college or university
 - Student must be actively drilling with Illinois National Guard Unit
 - Financial Aid Office applies ING waiver only if student is meeting Satisfactory Standards of Academic Progress (SAP): <http://fao.siu.edu/forms/academic-progress-forms.php>
 - ❖ The appeal process can be found on the above link
- Student receives letter of eligibility from ISAC
 - Must submit their ISAC approval letter with claim number to ecvets@siu.edu along with their Vet Information Sheet
- ING waives tuition
 - **Note:** if the waiver is not applied prior to last day of class, it CANNOT be applied retroactively!
- Eligibility is measured in points and is exhausted at 120
 - Points are charged based on credit hours that student is enrolled in the term; points are charged after end of term

Number of Hours	Semester School
12 or more hours	12 units
9 - 11.99 hours	9 units
6 - 8.99 hours	6 units
3 - 5.99 hours	3 units
0 - 2.99 hours	1 unit

- What happens if I drop a class within the current semester?
 - If tuition and fees are refunded, units will be returned to ING and eligibility points will be restored
 - If tuition and fees are not refunded, eligibility points will not be restored
- Who to contact if there is a problem or if I have questions?
 - SIU Extended Campus: Christina Lawrence, ecvets@siu.edu or 618.453.5664
 - Illinois Student Assistance Commission: 1.800.899.4722