

## The Virginia Line of Duty Act (LODA)

The Virginia Line of Duty Act, (LODA), established in Title 9.1 of the Code of Virginia and enacted in 1972, provides benefits to eligible family members of eligible employees and volunteers killed in the line of duty and to those eligible employees and volunteers disabled in the line of duty and their eligible family members.

**Institutions that grant such waivers shall waive the amounts payable for tuition, institutional charges and mandatory educational and auxiliary fees, and \*books and supplies but shall not waive user fees such as room and board charges.**

\*If the books/materials are attached to the course, both the tuition and the books/material will be waived, however, books and supplies not billed by the institution will not be waived.

<https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title23.1/chapter6/section23.1-609/>

Documents needed

- Verification letter of line of duty death and benefits from employer
- Copy of student's birth certificate for dependent children
- Marriage license for spouse

For each term of enrollment, the student will be responsible for emailing the associate director of counseling services/financial aid office once the enrollment process is completed.

Once the enrollment confirmation is received, a request to waive the student's tuition charges under the Line of Duty Act will be sent to the Office of Finance/billing office.

Each year (end of spring term), the student's grades will be reviewed to verify that the student meets the Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards which is a requirement of all financial aid recipients. All undergraduate students must complete 67% of the attempted credits and maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA.

If a student fails the SAP standards, the student is no longer eligible for financial aid, including the line of duty benefits.