

# Tuition Grant Overview 2025

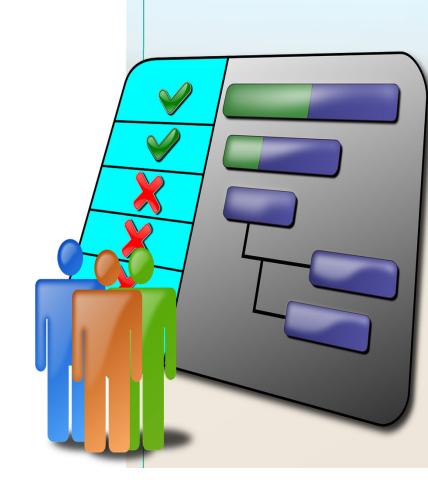
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### **AGENDA**

- Tuition Grant Program
  - Employee and Dependent Eligibility
  - Required Documentation
  - Eligible Expenses & What is Covered
  - Application and Payment Process
- EdAssist User Experience
- Question & Answer Session



# **Employee Eligibility**

### Who is eligible?

 Full-time Faculty, Staff, Liuna Bargaining Unit Members and Retirees

### Years of Service

- Two (2) consecutive years of full-time service prior to the semester/term start date.
- Employees hired prior to 7/1/24 must satisfy two years of full time employment prior to 10/1 for fall semester and 2/1/ for spring.
- Eligibility date must fall before the semester start date to qualify.
- Two (2) years may be waived for employees who come to JHU directly from another employer within 30 days of the termination date, where they were eligible for a similar benefit.



# Dependent Eligibility

### Who is eligible?

- Biological, Adopted, Step Children, Children of domestic partners and Children of Legal Guardianship
- Dependents born in the U.S., Canada or Mexico

**HUMAN RESOURCES** 

### Eligibility period

- Dependents are eligible until the end of the year of their 26<sup>th</sup> birthday,
- Or, until they have received 8 semesters.
   Whichever is first
- If the school has trimesters it is 12 and 16 for schools with



### Required Documentation

- ✓ Birth certificate
- ✓ Adoption papers for adopted children
- ✓ Legal Guardianship court documents
- ✓ Green Card, U.S. Passport, U.S. Visa or Certificate of Naturalization for dependents born outside the U.S., Canada or Mexico



### Tuition Grant: What's Covered?

50% of undergraduate full time tuition and ALL course related fees

- 100% when both parents work at JHU
- Up to Plan Maximum. Half of JHU's Undergraduate Freshman tuition

Covers Eight (8)
Semesters

- Semesters do not have to be consecutive
- 12 for Trimester Schools

Mini Winter & Mini Summer

- Do not deduct from Eight Semester count
- Must have available balance

Study Abroad

- Study Abroad Certification may be required
- Payments are made to the school via direct payment if administered by the home school

# Tuition Grant Eligible Fees

Fees are all mandatory course fees that are part of the invoicing received by the school

- The fee is charged to all students no matter what type of degree
- The fee does not fund debt or financial aid for other students
- The fee is not optional and cannot be refunded to the student
- The fee is not related to a specific course or degree
- The purpose of the fee can be defined by the institution
- Room and Board or other housing fees are ineligible.

# Tuition Grant Eligible Fees

### Eligible Fees & Expenses

Activity, Athletic/Recreation, Facility, Health Center, Registration,
 Student Government Association, Technology, Transportation,
 General (Incudes graduation)

### Excluded Fees and Expenses

Accommodations, Airfare, Books, Course-related Fees,
 Equipment (Laptops, Sports Equipment, etc.), Excursions, Health
 or Other Insurance, Late Fees, Room and Board or Housing Fees

### Tuition Grant: What isn't covered?

Institutions that do not offer degrees

**Remedial Courses** 

Non Credit Courses

Part Time Courses

**Graduate Level Course** 

Room and Board

Cooperative Programs that do not offer academic credits



# Financial Aid/Scholarship Support

If the student receives gift aid (scholarships or grants) from other sources, the grant may be reduced.

Gift Aid that does not affect payment

• Pell Grants, VA Grants, Housing Grants

Gift Aid that affects payment

Scholarships and grants that do not have to be repaid

# Example of Gift Aid Payments

EXAMPLE #1		EXAMPLE #2	
Employee is Eligible for the JHU tuition grant plan (50% Level) & the child receives gift aid that reduces the tuition grant		Employee is Eligible for the JHU tuition grant plan (50% Level) & the child receives gift aid that reduces the tuition grant	
Tuition and Eligible Fees per Semester	\$20,000	Tuition and Eligible Fees per Semester	\$20,000
Minus the Other Scholarships and Grants	\$15,000	Minus the Other Scholarships and Grants	\$1,000
JHU Grant Payment	\$5,000	JHU Grant Payment =	\$10,000

## **Tuition Grant Payments**

- Payments will be made directly to the school within 5-7 business days after the school sends their invoice
- Payments are tax free (except for dependents of domestic partners)
- International school payments will be made via immediate reimbursement to the employee's payroll, tax free



# **Application and Payment Process**

#### **Current Students:**

Are not required to provide eligibility documents

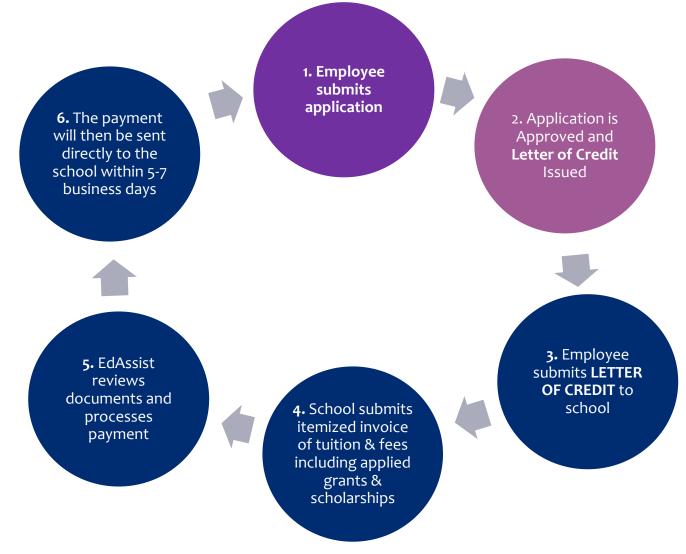
#### **New Students:**

Employees will need to provide eligibility documents

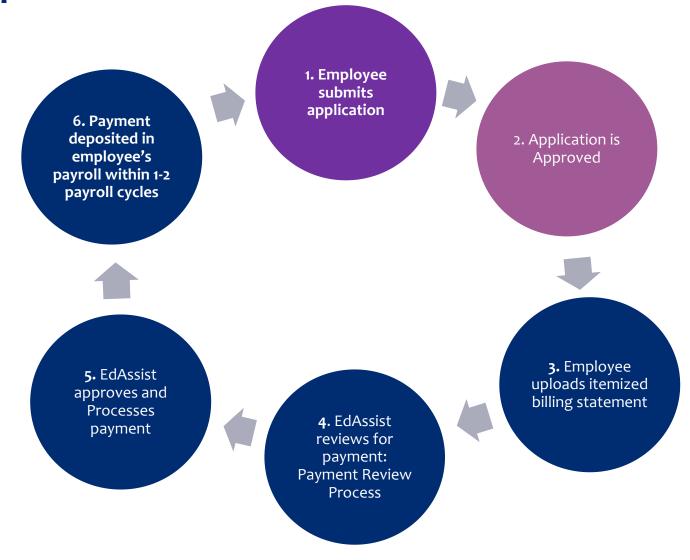
Applications must be submitted each semester up to **60 days prior** to the term start date, but no more than **30** days after



# Application Process for Direct Payment



# **Application Process for Reimbursement**



# About the Letter of Credit (LOC)

### The LOC replaces the JHU GAN



- 2. Employee will need to log into EdAssist to download the Letter of Credit
- 3. Employee will need to email the LOC to the school
- The school will send an invoice to EdAssist
- EdAssist pays the school directly within5-7 business days
- 6. The LOC will reflect the amount entered but EdAssist will pay based on the bill.





Application Number: 12194808

Educational Providers: Please email invoices to edprovider@edassist.com. For invoice inquiries, call 1-888-734-2235.

#### Letter of Credit Forn

This Letter of Credit Form certifies that the Johns Hopkins University Plan will honor payment of tuition as specified in accordance with the program policy. This is a one-time use document valid only for the following course(s).

Participant Name:	Educational Provider: University of Michigan	Student Name: Dependent Name
Application Number: 121	Enrollment Period: 07/10/2024 - 08/10/2024	
Date Issued: 06/17/2024	Amount: \$100.00	
Expiration Date: 60 days after course end date	Approved Course(s): (Summer) Semesters(2)	

#### Participant Instructions/Agreement:

Provide this signed Letter of Credit Form to your educational provider/school at the time of course registration. The educational provider/school will bill Johns Hopkins University via the Program Administrator, EdAssist, for your tuition.

I understand that this Letter of Credit Form can only be used as specified in accordance with the program policy. I understand this Letter of Credit Form is considered a cash advance for the cost of futition and eligible expenses only. I am responsible for any amounts not covered under the program policy and for the total amount of any approved courses in which I fail to meet the program eligibility and/or course completion (grade) requirements. I authorize my educational provider/school to release to the Program Administrator, EdAssist, records concerning my education as it pertains to my participation in the education assistance program.

Participant Signature: Date:

#### **Educational Provider Instructions**

Please accept this Letter of Credit Form under the following terms

- To receive payment, an itemized invoice for the stated course(s) must be received by the Program Administrator, EdA as ist, as soon as possible but no later
  than 60 days after the course end date. Invoices must be in one of the following formast: PDF, JFG, XLS, XLSX, BMP, or PNG. If an invoice is received by
  EdAssist after the course end date, the enmolvee's randes are required in order for EdAssist to process payment.
- To avoid processing delays please be sure to include the Application Number found at the top of this page as the subject line of your email with the invoice to be sent to edgewide@edassist.com. Invoices must include the following data elements: institution name, student name and identification number, course name, applicable semester or course dates, client name Johns Hopkins University, and an itemized breakdown of tuition and all fees associated with this course(s), as well as any gift aid applied (stipends, grants, scholarships).
- This Letter of Credit form is valid only for payment of 50% of digible takino and expenses. Payment of the remaining 50% of tuition and expenses is the
  responsibility of the participant. Please invoice the full 100% of all takino and expenses. The program administrator, EdAssist, will then pay 50% of the
  invoiced amount, leaving the participant to pay the remaining 50%.
- If the participant withdraws from an approved course and is eligible for a refund, or for any other reason is eligible for a refund, the refund must be issued to Johns Hopkins University via the Program Administrator, EdAssist, not to the participant.
- If your institution does not accept the EdAssist Letter of Credit, please provide the student with a detailed invoice that includes the required data element stated above. The student must submit this invoice to EdAssist, and EdAssist will remit payment on the participant's behalf.
- If your institution does not accept the EdAssist Letter of Credit, please advise the student to request reimbursement through the traditional reimbursement program option.



### If the School does not take the LOC

- IF the school does not accept the letter of credit, follow the below steps:
  - Log into your EdAssist form and cancel the direct bill application.
    - To cancel, open your form by clicking the application number
    - Go to Actions and click cancel from the drop down and confirm.



- Once the application is canceled, submit a new form as reimbursement and upload the billing statement.
  - Note: Upload the official billing statement not a screen print of the online account. If obtaining from online, be sure to download the bill.

# **Application and Payment Process**

- International schools will be paid as reimbursement to employee's payroll tax free
- For applications received after 30 days from the term start date, payments will be paid to employee's payroll tax free
- For schools that do not accept Letter of Credit, payments will be made as reimbursement to the employee's payroll tax free
- Proof of payment will not be required

### **Expected Time Frames**

- Submit applications up to 60 days prior to term start date, but no later than 30 days after.
- Applications will be approved by BSC within five business days.
- Once approved, the application is approved, the letter of credit is issued immediately via email and within the app portal
- Once the bill is received from the school, payment will be processed and sent to the school within 5-7 business days.
- For reimbursement, once the employee uploads the bill and it is approved, the grant will be paid in your paycheck within 1-2 pay cycles.

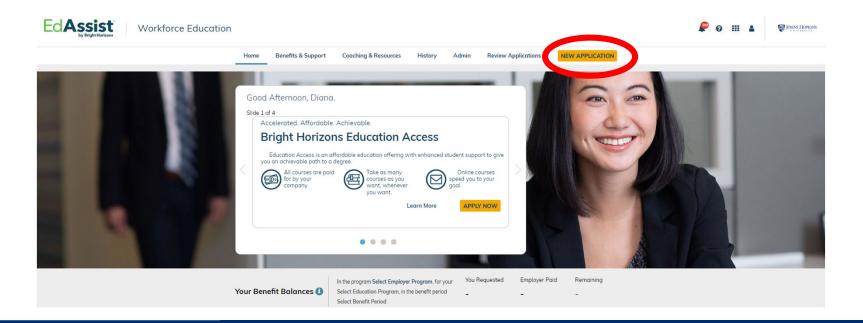
## Repayments: What you need to know

- If students fall below 12 credits, the employee is responsible for refunding the payment if it has already been made
- Participation will be suspended until full amount has been repaid or a repayment agreement has been signed

# **Application Process**

# **EdAssist Application Process**

- Log in from the Benefits and Worklife website
- Select New Application

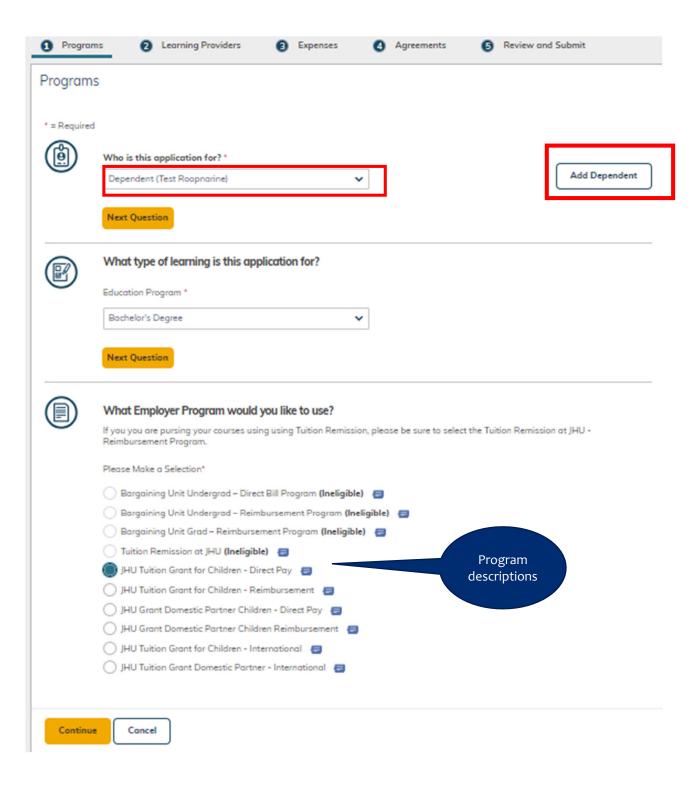


 Select current dependent or add new dependent

 Select degree type

 Select Program –
 "Direct Pay" or Reimbursement





### Select Education Provider

for Education Network or Students attending Johns Hopkins University: Once the application is approved, you must select a third party payer and **EdAssist Education Network** upload the letter of credit in SIS Self-Service. providers. Selected Education Provider \* Address \* Student ID (Optional) None Selected 222 3/15 2 Learning Providers 3 Expenses Agreements 6 Review and Submit \* = Required Who is your Education Provider? Search Selected Education Provider \* Address \* Student ID (Optional) Roston University Student Acctg Srvcs, Agency Billing Unknown Search For A Provider

Continue

Cancel



Show only EdAssist Education

Network providers

Learn About EEN

Show only Workforce

Learn About WEN

**Education Network** providers

\* = Required

Who is your Education Provider? \*

Note: Do not check the boxes

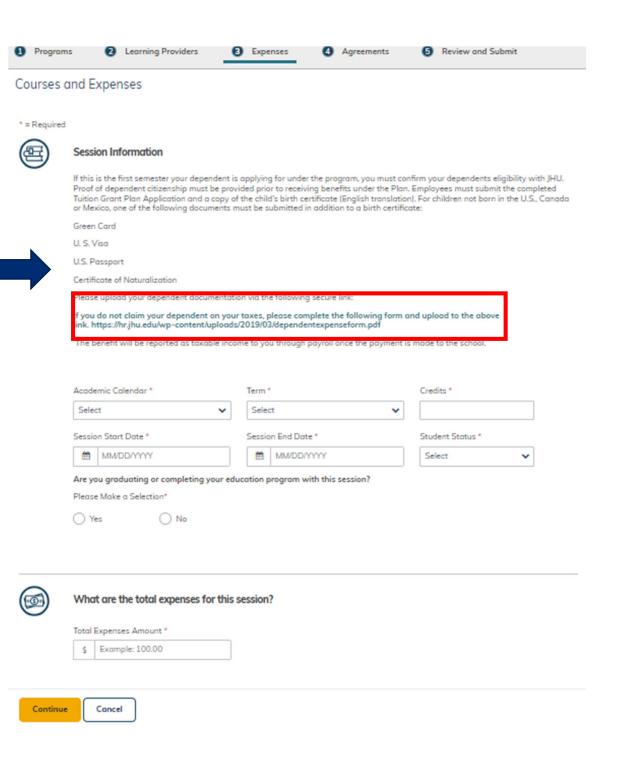
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If new dependent

 use link to load
 dependent
 verification

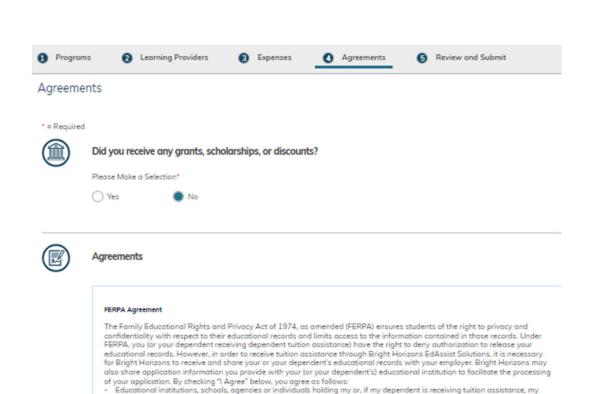
 Completed session information (Enter Anticipated 50% payment, not total charges)





 Disclose any scholarships, grants, gifts, aid, and sign / acknowledge all participant agreements





dependent's educational records may release such records to Bright Horizons.

the educational institution identified in the tuition assistance application.

application, and your application will be cancelled.

(whether received from educational institutions, schools, agencies or individuals) to my employer.

This consent shall remain in effect until I submit a written request to cancel the authorization.

#### Participant Agreement

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I have read and understand the terms and conditions set forth in the Johns Hopkins University Tuition Assistance Program Policy (the "Program"). As a condition of participating in this Program, I agree to abide by these terms and conditions. I understand that my participation in this program is not a condition of my employment or continuation thereof. I further understand that grades or other evidence of satisfactory completion, as well as an itemized invoice for all expenses must be provided.

- Bright Horizons may release my or, if my dependent is receiving tuition assistance, my dependent's educational records

If you do not agree with the above terms, please understand that we will be unable to process your tuition assistance

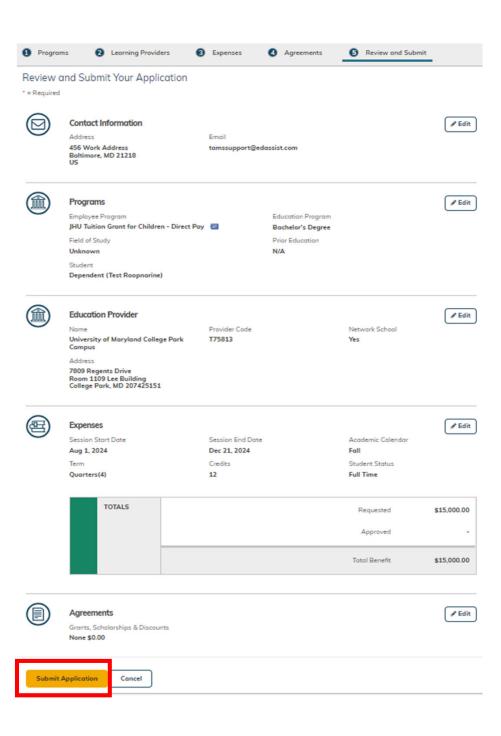
- Bright Horizons may release information you provide as part of your (or your dependent's) tuition assistance application to

I affirm that any documentation I have submitted in connection with this Program is complete and accurate. I acknowledge that if I knowingly submit false, deceptive or misleading information in order to receive benefits under the Program, this may result in adverse tax consequences and discontinuance in my tuition assistance.



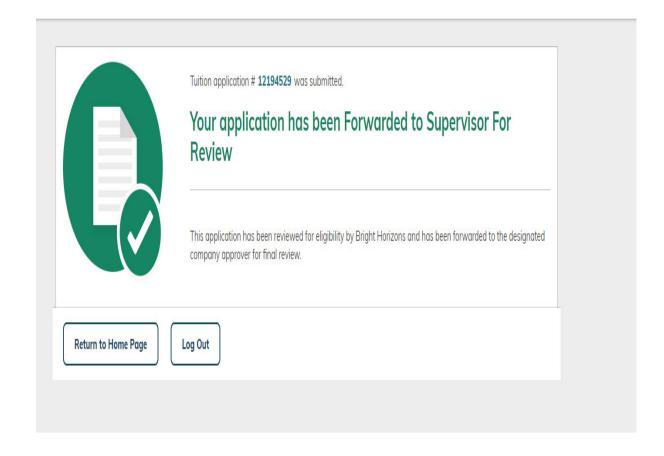
# Review and submit your application





## Application approval process

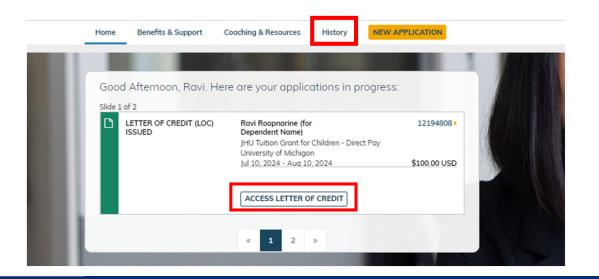
- New dependent enrollments will be sent to the Benefits Service Center for review and approval
- EdAssist will review for general eligibility





# **Application Status Updates**

- You will receive email updates when your application is approved
- At anytime you can click into your history to check the status of your application and payment



### More Information

#### Benefits & Worklife

At JHU, your benefits go far beyond health insurance and paid time off - and far beyond the workplace.

From health insurance to wellness programs to tuition assistance and more, our offerings are designed to help faculty and staff pursue productive and fulfilling professional and personal lives.

#### Tuition Grant Benefit Changes

The JHU Tuition Grant benefit for employee dependents is transitioning to the EdAssist online portal for the 2024-2025 academic year. Register for the live webinar and see

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#### Navigate Your Health Care Benefits

Quantum Health is your personal team of nurses, benefits experts and claims specialists. Contact Quantum Health care coordinators at 1-844-460-2801, available Monday your health care needs.

Quantum Health member portal o

- myChoices Health & Life Enrollment
- Retirement Plans Enrollment
- New Faculty, Staff, and LiUNA BU Members.
- Student & Learner Health Benefits

#### Learn More About Your Benefits:



Get the details on our extensive offerings of health and life insurance options for you and your family.



#### Planning

Whether you're just entering the workforce about to retire or already enjoying your post-work years. JHU has a variety of plans and programs to



View our holiday calendar learn how sick and vecation days accrue and get the details on our leave for new



Programs -

programs-from adoption assistance. to help finding and paying for child care



Learn more about tuition grants bursement and remission which



Well-Being Programs Sign up for a Zumba class, or get help

guitting smoking or losing weight. We can even help you boost your financial



Live Near Your Work Thinking of buying a home in Baltimore City? Get a grant to help with your



**Employee Assistance** Program -

Helps you through all of life's moments -from the most mundane to the most



Workshops & Webinars -> Schedule a workshop or webiner for your next department event.



#### Tuition Support for Dependent Children

JHU offers generous tuition benefits - not just for you, but for your family as well. Dependent children of full-time faculty, staff and bargaining unit members may be eligible to receive a tuition grant applied towards the cost of full-time undergraduate studies, or your dependent may be eligible for part-time credit and non-credit courses offered through the continuing education unit of one of JHU's academic divisions

To learn more about these programs, choose an option below:

- Tuition Grant Plan
- Tuition Remission for Courses at JHU

Hr.jhu.edu/benefits-worklife

### Contact Us

### JHU Benefits Service Center

- Phone 410-516-2000
  - Mon Fri 8:30 am to 5:00 pm EST
- Email <u>benefits@jhu.edu</u>
  - responds Mon Fri 8:30 am to 5:00 pm EST

### **Contact EdAssist**

- Live Chat: 8am 8pm ET (M-F)
  - Application questions



- General site or policy questions
- The live chat bubble can be found in the bottom right section of the page
- Submit a Support Ticket 24/7
  - General site or policy questions
- Add comments to your application
  - Application-specific questions



# Thank You

Be sure to sign of for future Benefit Insight Series of interest held every fourth Thursday of the month until September.

