

## **Hazlewood Legacy Program:**

The Hazlewood benefit is a state exemption offered to Texas Veterans and under the Hazlewood Legacy program the eligible veteran may assign their hours to a dependent child.

The child must meet the following requirements:

- Be a Texas resident,
- Be the biological child, stepchild, adopted child, or claimed as a dependent in the current or previous tax year,
- Be 25 years or younger on the first day of the semester or term for which the exemption is claimed (unless granted an extension due to a qualifying illness or debilitating condition), and
- Make satisfactory academic progress in a degree, certificate, or continuing education program as determined by the institution.

If a child to whom hours have been delegated fails to use all of the assigned hours, a veteran may re-assign the unused hours that are available to another dependent child. Only one child may use the benefits at one time.

Veterans' spouses are not eligible to receive a transfer of the veteran's unused hours.

To be eligible, the veteran must meet the following requirements:

- At the time of entry into the U.S. Armed Forces the veteran:
  - Was a Texas resident.
  - Designated Texas as Home of Record.
  - Or entered into the service in Texas
- Have served at least 181 days of active military duty
- Have received an honorable discharge or separation or a general discharge under honorable conditions.
- Is not in default on a student loan made or guaranteed by the State of Texas.
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  - Must make satisfactory academic progress in a degree, certificate, or continuing education program as determined by the institution.
  - Excessive hours not covered by Hazlewood.
  - Federal benefits must be utilized prior to using Hazlewood.

## **Hazlewood Application Process:**

To use Hazlewood benefits or to transfer unused benefits to an eligible child, applicants must complete the proper applications located at [www.tvc.texas.gov/Hazlewood-Act.aspx](http://www.tvc.texas.gov/Hazlewood-Act.aspx).

All applications must be submitted to the UNT Student Veteran Services Office located in Sage Hall Suite 123.