

**Berkeley College**  
**Research Planning Tools, Disclosures and a Limited FERPA Authorization**

As a Military Tuition Assistance student considering pursuing a degree or certificate at Berkeley College, the College Admissions Department shall provide you with the following research tools and information to assist you, as you make this important decision:

- The College Scorecard is a planning tool available to evaluate options in selecting a school and is located at <http://collegecost.ed.gov/scorecard/>.
- The College Navigator is a research tool that provides information on tuition and fees, retention, graduation rates, use of financial aid, student loan default rates, cost calculator, and a school comparison tool at <http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator>.
- Berkeley College provides the Military Tuition Assistance Scholarship to cover tuition above the Military TA rate of \$250 per semester hour ([Berkeley College Grants and Scholarships](#)). This Scholarship can be compared with other institutions using the Pay for College Website by entering the financial aid offered information from up to three colleges at <http://www.consumerfinance.gov/paying-for-college/>. If you have any questions about financial aid, please contact 973-200-1148 or email [studentfinance@berkeleycollege.edu](mailto:studentfinance@berkeleycollege.edu).
- Cohort Default Rate (CDR) - The CDR is the percentage of a school's borrowers who enter repayment on Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program or William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) Program loans during a federal cohort fiscal year (FY), October 1 to September 30, and default or meet other specified conditions prior to the end of the second following fiscal year. The Berkeley College FY2016 cohort default rate is 14.1% for New Jersey borrowers and 12.8% for New York borrowers, compared to the 10.1% National average. The current percentage of federal loan borrowers is 80% in New Jersey and 65% in New York.
- Upon completion of your degree or certificate program, Berkeley College will provide an Official Transcript for your submission to your branch of service.

**Limited FERPA Authorization**

- The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (**FERPA**) is a Federal law that (1) protects the privacy of student Education Records and certain information derived from them and (2) confers certain rights upon students with respect to such records. For more information about FERPA, please see the College FERPA Policy here: <https://berkeleycollege.edu/pdf/ferpa-notice.pdf> A Berkeley College student may consent to the disclosing of his/her Education Records by specifying to the College: 1) the records that may be disclosed; 2) the purpose for which they may be disclosed; and 3) the persons or classes to whom they may be disclosed. As applicable here, DOD requires Berkeley College to report for Tuition Assistance students records reflecting: course enrollment, withdrawal, cancellation, course completion or failure, grade, verification of degree completion, and billing information to your branch of service for the purpose of meeting service regulations and instruction.

Your signature below indicates that you consent to Berkeley College disclosing the above-listed records/information to the DOD, in compliance with FERPA.

Your signature below also indicates that you have received the above-listed research and planning tools and other disclosures.

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Student Signature

Print Name

Date