



INDIANA

Collegiate Purple Star Award
Supporting Military Affiliated Students

Indiana Collegiate **PURPLE STAR**

MISSION STATEMENT

The **Collegiate Purple Star of Indiana (CPSI)** recognizes an eligible postsecondary institution that has successfully demonstrated a supportive environment for its United States military-affiliated student population from application to graduation.

Five Guiding Points of CPSI

- Education
- Respect
- Inclusion
- Commitment
- Capacity Building

Eight Core Categories with 37 Total Standards

Military-affiliated student pathway from application to graduation, and beyond:

1. Core Requirements
2. Marketing and Communication Strategies
3. Admissions and Enrollment
4. Financial Support
5. Institutional Support Systems
6. Student Support Services
7. Student Engagement
8. Career and Community Engagement Opportunities

The CPSI Field Guide (Program Manual) is available on the CPSI website.

Award Certification Levels

Acknowledging the institution's efforts in successfully administering the Collegiate Purple Star objectives.

- Tier 3 (Military-Student Friendly) = 70-79%
- Tier 2 (Military-Student Ready) = 80-89%
- Tier 1 (Military-Student Engaged) = 90-99%
- Special Commission Distinction = 100%

Additional Initiative Information

- In 2023, the Indiana General Assembly passed Senate Bill 384 (IC-21-18-18), which tasked the Commission for Higher Education and the Department of Veterans Affairs with establishing and implementing a Higher Education Purple Star Designation, commonly called CPSI.
- Indiana is one of a few states in the nation to officially champion the relationship between military-affiliated individuals and postsecondary institutions.
- Enhancing and raising awareness of institutional academic opportunities and supports for military-affiliated students is at the heart of the CPSI designation.
- Applications are accepted annually in January.



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CPSI Website

<https://www.in.gov/che/adult-strategy/collegiate-purple-star/>



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