

BATTLEGROUND TO BREAKING GROUND



APPLICATION INFORMATION

Tuition Waived Option

Through various USDA funded grants, the BGBG program is able to provide 15 tuition waived spots per cohort for veterans, active military, and a select number of other beginning farmers and ranchers. Applications for a tuition waiver are now open on a rolling basis.

- 15 spots per cohort
- Application Required
- Competitive process: Online application and 3 letters of support required
- In-person attendance to Basic Training & Graduation required; \$125 registration fee
- 100 hours of hands-on training required
- Only waives tuition for Phase 2; tuition waiver for Phase 3 based on performance in Phase 2

Tuition Paid Option

- 30 spots per cohort available
- Tuition is required; Phase 2 \$600 & Phase 3 \$900
- Available for veterans, active-duty military, and all other farmers/ranchers
- No application process
- In-person attendance at Basic Training & Graduation is optional

Core Program Outline

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Online Course or In-Person Workshop includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rural Business Ideas • Business Planning Basics • Agriculture Resources • Funding Opportunities for Ag Operations 	Develop your ag business plan! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16 weeks of business planning courses • Individual Education Plan • Community of Practice 	Production Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentorship • 100 Hours of Hands-On Training • Online Production Agriculture Classes 	Mentor Training Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For BGBG Phase 1-3 Graduates • Learn Mentorship Basics • Phase 4 graduates get paid to provide mentorship & training to Phase 3 participants

BGBG Skills Training Program

Registered DoD SkillBridge Program for Active Duty Military Members
 120 day program includes Phase 1 Phase 2 & Phase 3.
 Includes 500+ hours of hands-on training.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

The BattleGround to Breaking Ground Program is a 4 phase educational program available to veterans, active duty military, their families, and other beginning farmers and ranchers. The purpose of the BattleGround to Breaking Ground program is to enhance the sustainability and increase the number of farms and ranches in Texas & throughout the U.S., especially for military veterans.

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