



# AmeriCorps Segal Education Award Payments- Tax Free in Iowa!

According to [Iowa Code 701—40.74\(422\)](#), AmeriCorps Segal Education award payments are not taxed as individual state income in Iowa. This can make a big difference in the amount of taxes owed, so be sure to highlight this when working with your tax preparer. To document AmeriCorps Segal Education Award payment as an adjustment, or tax deduction, on your individual Iowa State Income Tax form, please see the directions below. Remember, however, that any Segal Education Award payment *is* still taxable as *federal* income in the year it is redeemed.

Tax year 2010 was the first time that AmeriCorps members and alums could take advantage of the exclusion of education award payments from their Iowa income taxes. These instructions, therefore, reference 2010 tax forms but we expect them to be similar for later years.

1. Step 4, Gross Income: Your Segal AmeriCorps Education Award payment was included in your federal taxable income, so it will be included in your Iowa taxable income in Step 4.
2. Step 5, Adjustments to Income: You must enter the amount of your Segal AmeriCorps Education Award payments (including interest) on **LINE 24 “Other Adjustments”, pg. L10** of the **IA 1040 Long Form** return. This will result in these payments being deducted from your taxable income.

	15. GROSS INCOME. ADD lines 1-14. ....			
STEP 5 Adjustments to Income ment, and voucher here.	16. Payments to an IRA, Keogh, or SEP .....	16.	.00	
	17. One-half of self-employment tax .....	17.	.00	
	18. Health insurance deduction .....	18.	.00	
	19. Penalty on early withdrawal of savings .....	19.	.00	
	20. Alimony paid .....	20.	.00	
	21. Pension/retirement income exclusion .....	21.	.00 ▲	
	22. Moving expense deduction from federal form 3903 .....	22.	.00	
	23. Iowa capital gain deduction. ....	23.	.00 ▲	
	24. Other adjustments .....	24.	.00	
	25. Total adjustments. ADD lines 16-24. ....			
	26. NET INCOME. SUBTRACT line 25 from line 15. ....			

3. Complete the remainder of the tax form as instructed.

For a detailed description of “Other Adjustments” visit the [Department of Iowa Revenue: Individual Income Tax Forms, IA 1040 Long Form instructions only](#), Page 4, Line 24, “Other Adjustments”. The 2010 amendment stating that the AmeriCorps Segal Education Award cannot be taxed as individual state income can be viewed in the introduction of the [IA 1040 Long Form instructions only](#) under “New for 2010”.

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