

Veteran & Military Benefits Summary

	Montgomery G.I. Bill (Ch. 30)	Voc. Rehab (Ch. 31)	Post 9/11 GI Bill (Ch. 33)	Dependents Edu. Ass. Prog. (Ch. 35)	MGIB S.R. (Ch. 1606)
Eligibility Requirements	2 years continuous enlistment (minimum duty varies by branch and service date)	20% or more Service Connected Disability, and employment handicap	90 days active aggregate service (after 9/10/01) or 30 days continuous if discharged for disability	Dependent or spouse of a deceased military member or 100% disabled military member	Complete Initial Active Duty for Training (IADT) period. Basic training and MOS training must be complete
Maximum # of Months of Benefits	36	48	36	45	36
Duration of Benefits	Generally 10 years from last day of active duty	12 years from date of ETS or date of service-connected disability	Generally 15 years from last day of active duty	Spouses of 10-20 years and children ages 18- 26	Generally, either 10-14 years from the initial eligibility date or upon separation
Tuition & Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student • Amount varies • Does not cover out-of- state tuition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the school • May cover costs for additional materials and/or services required for a course • Does cover out-of-state tuition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the school • Yellow Ribbon program covers out-of-state tuition (at 100% entitlement) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student • Does not cover out-of-state tuition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student • Does not cover out-of-state tuition
Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student • Amount varies based on your Rate of Pursuit and type of training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student • Amount varies with your Rate of Pursuit as well as the number of dependents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student • Amount varies based on your entitlement percentage, Rate of Pursuit, and type of training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student • Amount varies based on your Rate of Pursuit and type of training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student • Amount varies based on your Rate of Pursuit and type of training
Books & Supplies Stipend	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student • Amount varies based on your Rate of Pursuit • Comes out of the same pool as your tuition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can be paid directly to the student but typically the student obtains a voucher from the institution which is charged to the student's account and billed to the VA (can include parking fees) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student at the beginning of the semester • Maximum for a year is \$1,000 • Amount varies based on your Entitlement percentage and your Rate of Pursuit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student • Comes out of the same pool as your tuition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is paid directly to the student • Amount varies based on your Rate of Pursuit

- ✓ Review housing allowance rates at: <https://www.vets.gov/gi-bill-comparison-tool>.
- ✓ Ask your Veteran & Military Resource Advisor if you qualify for the Yellow Ribbon Program or other financial resources.
- ✓ Benefits are conditional on honorable discharge.
- ✓ For detailed benefits information go to **ccv.edu/veterans** or the educational benefits pages of the VA and DoD.



How To Obtain And Use Your Benefits

Apply for benefits by filling out an application at this link www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/.

It may take the VA up to two months to determine your eligibility so start early. If eligible, submit your VA provided Certificate of Eligibility to your Veteran & Military Resource Adviser, Erik Zetterstrom, at erik.zetterstrom@ccv.edu or drop it off at your nearest CCV center (this is not required if you are using Vocational Rehab Benefits (Ch. 31)).

Every semester you use your VA Education Benefits, or any time you add or drop a class, submit a Request for Enrollment Certification. You can fill out the request at this link ccv.edu/vet-enrollment-certification (this is not required if you are using Vocational Rehab Benefits (Ch.31)).

Other Veterans Education Benefits

If you are a member of the Vermont Army or Air Guard you may be eligible for the VT National Guard Tuition Benefit Program – Contact and make an appointment with your Education Service Officer (ESO). View the Tuition Benefit Checklist ccv.edu/vtangapplication.

Contact your Education Service Officer (ESO) to determine if you are eligible for Tuition Assistance (TA). Be aware that TA differs by branch of service and that in some cases you cannot use TA with other benefits.

Frequently Asked Questions

Where do I begin? Your first step should be contacting a Veteran & Military Resource Advisor at CCV to explore benefit eligibility/entitlement, benefit advising, a review of certification process, and step-by-step application instruction.

How can I confirm my eligibility and/or entitlement? We recommend that all students visit the Department of Veteran Affairs web site for the most up-to-date information regarding veteran's education benefits. There is also a hotline for students to call at 1-888-GI BILL 1(1-888-442-4551). CCV's Veteran & Military Resource Advisors are also available by appointment to provide benefit advising.

Are there other resources available if I am ineligible or only partially covered? There are many different options available for financial assistance for higher education. Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC) has counselors available to help you apply for scholarships and grants. Additionally, CCV has financial aid counselors to assist in navigating and applying for various financial resources. Visit the veterans section on the CCV website for information on scholarships specific to veterans, spouses, and dependents.

What are the current pay rates for my education benefit? Pay rates vary with each GI Bill, entitlement percentage, and rate-of-pursuit. You can visit the VA website, call the GI Bill hotline for help, or contact your Veteran & Military Resource Advisor who can help you get an accurate figure.

What if I am having trouble and want to drop a course? Always contact your Veteran & Military Resource Advisor before dropping a class or your School Certifying Official after you have dropped a class. It is important for your Veteran & Military Resource Advisor to provide you with all the possible outcomes so you can make an informed decision.

What if I fail a course? The language around a failed course can be very specific depending on which benefit/GI Bill you are using. For accurate information please contact your Veteran & Military Resource Advisor, visit the VA website, or call the hotline. In most cases the course can be retaken without penalty.

**Contact your CCV
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