

Veteran Rights and Responsibilities

Your eligibility for VA benefits depends on the following terms and conditions:

- ✓ I understand the University will not disclose information collected to any source other than what has been authorized under the Privacy Act of 1974 or Title 38 Code of Federal Regulations Section 1.526 for routine uses in assisting claims and reporting my status to the VA.
- ✓ I understand I must be admitted to a degree program to receive payment of Federal benefits.
- ✓ I understand changes in the number of hours of enrollment will be reported to the VA and may affect my eligibility.
- ✓ I understand I must notify OSFA Veterans Services of any changes in my enrollment or program of study by submitting an *Enrollment Change for VA Education Benefits* Form.
- ✓ I understand I should only request certification of courses that are fulfilling required electives or a core degree requirements.
- ✓ VA education benefits are paid in arrears and may require completing monthly Self-Certifications.
- ✓ I understand I may use VA education benefits in conjunction with Title IV financial aid by submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). **Do not include VA education benefits when reporting income and resources information.**
- ✓ I understand I must maintain [Satisfactory Academic Progress \(SAP\)](#) (38 U.S.C 3034(a) 3323(a), 3684) to receive Title IV financial aid. Failure to maintain academic standards of progress as defined by my academic college may result in suspended payment of military education benefits
- ✓ The minimum program enrollment required for receiving the maximum benefit payment for VA education programs and Social Security benefits is twelve hours of continuous enrollment during the fall/spring semesters and six hours during the summer semester (§ 3-301 Academic Policies and Regulations). The number of hours required for receipt of maximum benefit for programs with non-standard term lengths is determined proportionally (students are permitted 9 months to complete course offered through the Office of Continuing Education however the credit hours are used to determine the maximum benefit during one single term).
- ✓ In-state assessment of tuition and fees is awarded to students actively drawing a Chapter 30 or Chapter 33 benefit.

Irrevocable Benefit Election: You acknowledge that your election to use Post 9/11 Chapter 33 benefits is irrevocable. Contact the Department of Veterans Affairs at 1-888-442-4551 or www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/ if you have any questions.

Liability: During your academic career it may become necessary for you to withdraw. If this does happen, you agree to contact Veterans' Services to provide documentation and submit a Statement in Support of Claim if extenuating circumstances occur. If the VA makes a determination that you owe a debt, you are responsible for the overpayment. The Department of Veterans Affairs Debt Management Center (DMC) can assist you with repayment arrangements or petition for a waiver. DMC can be reached at 1-800-827-0648 or electronic inquiries can be sent through the following link: <https://iris.custhelp.va.gov/app/ask/>.

Reversed Transferability: Students using VA education benefits transferred to them by their sponsor should be aware that sponsors have the right to remove you as a recipient; as a result your benefits may be terminated.