

# Veterans Education Benefits Information

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## Welcome Veteran and Military Students

We are pleased you selected Virginia Tech to continue your education and welcome you to the Hokie nation. Virginia Tech is proud of its long military history and has a strong commitment to supporting the success of our veteran and military students including active duty, reservists, and guardsmen. This information will guide you through the process so you can utilize your Veterans Education benefits.

### Step 1: Apply for Benefits

You must apply for benefits by filling out the **VA Form 22-1990 Application for VA Education Benefits**. This form can be completed online at:

<https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/vonapp> The VA will process your request in about 30-45 days.

### Step 2: Submit COE or NOBE to Virginia Tech

For Post 9/11 GI Bill (Chapter 33) and Montgomery GI Bill (Chapter 30) recipients, you will receive a **Certificate of Eligibility (COE)**.

For 1606- Selected Reserve or National Guard recipients, you will receive a **Notice of Basic Eligibility (NOBE)**.

Once you receive either your COE or NOBE by mail, please send a copy of this letter to the Office of Veterans Services by mail, fax, or email.

### Step 3: Register for Classes

Most new freshman and transfer students will register for courses during Summer Orientation. Be sure to register only for classes that are required for your degree. The VA will not pay for classes that are not required.

### Step 4: Complete VA Enrollment Certification Form

This online Virginia Tech form can be found in Hokie Spa. This must be completed every semester a student wants to utilize benefits. Benefits will not be certified if the form is not completed. We urge students to complete this form at least 45 days prior to a semester bill due date.

## Important Reminders

- *Apply for benefits early!*
- *We recommend you set up an EBenefits account with the VA*
- *Students transferring must complete the VA Form 22-1995 "Change of Place or Program or Training"*
- *Chapter 30 and 1606 students must verify their enrollment over the phone or online every month to receive their stipend.*



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## Post 9/11 GI Bill- Chapter 33 Information

### Tuition and Fees:

- Once all paperwork is received and the student has been certified with the VA, a pending credit will be placed on the student's account in the amount expected to be paid by the VA. The pending credit relieves the student of responsibility for paying this portion of the tuition and fees.
- The pending credit is for **in-state tuition and fees only**.
- ***Housing, dining, and most education abroad expenses will NOT be paid by the VA.***
- The student is responsible for paying the difference between the billed amount and what the VA is expected to pay. If this difference is not paid for by the bill due date, the student will be subject to late fees and holds.
- If a student is receiving scholarships or grants that must be applied directly to tuition and fees, these awards will be subtracted out of the amount certified to the VA. Virginia state grants (Commonwealth and VGAP), Virginia Tech Grant, and ROTC awards are examples of funds that will be subtracted out.

### Basic Housing (BAH) and Books and Supply Stipend:

- Payment of the eligible amount for BAH, **books and supply stipend** will be paid by the VA directly to eligible students approximately 30-45 days after certification or the start of the term- whichever is later.
- If a student is living on campus, they must ensure their housing and meal charges are paid with the Bursar's office by the bill due date. If this is not paid by the bill due date, the student will be subject to late fees and holds.
- BAH amount is determined based on the rate for E-5 with dependents and the zip code of the institution. If a student is enrolled solely in online/distance education (virtual) courses, the BAH payment will be ½ the national average BAH for E-5 with dependents. BAH will not be provided for students enrolled less than 50% of a full time credit hours.
- BAH is paid on or after the first of the month following the month for which payment is due, e.g. BAH is paid October 1 for the month of September
- Active duty personnel qualify for the books and supply stipend but are not eligible to receive BAH.

## Chapter 30 and 1606 Information

### Benefit Stipend

- You must verify your enrollment to the VA **on the last day of each month** and the last day of the semester. You will not receive your VA payment until you have verified your attendance.
- You can verify your attendance via W.A.V.E <https://www.gibill.va.gov/wave/index.do> or by calling 1-877-823-2378.