

APPLICATION FOR VA EDUCATION BENEFITS (VA FORM 22-1990)

Use this form to apply for educational assistance under the following benefit programs:

- Post- 9/11 GI Bill chapter 33 of title 38, U.S. Code
- Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB) chapter 30 of title 38, U.S. Code
- Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserve (MGIB-SR) chapter 1606 of title 10, U.S. Code
- Post-Vietnam Era Veterans' Educational Assistance Program (VEAP) chapter 32
- of title 38, U.S. Code, or section 901 or section 903 of Public Law 96-342

INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION FOR VA EDUCATION BENEFITS

Do not use this form to apply for Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment benefits (chapter 31 of title 38, U.S. Code), Dependents Educational Assistance benefits (chapter 35 of title 38, U.S. Code), Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship (chapter 33 of title 38, U.S. code), Transfer of Entitlement, or National Call to Service (section 510 of title 10, U.S. Code). These benefits require different application forms that can be completed on-line and printed at <u>www.va.gov/vaforms</u> or can be obtained from the nearest VA regional office. They may also be available where you received this application.

INTERNET VERSION AVAILABLE - You may complete and submit this application on-line at <u>www.benefits.va.gov/gibill</u>. Click "Apply On Line" and select the "Education" option.

VA VOCATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL COUNSELING HELP AVAILABLE - If you need help planning your individual educational and career goals, VA offers a wide range of counseling services to help you make these decisions. Services include educational and vocational guidance and such testing as necessary for you to develop a greater understanding of your skills, talents, and interests. For further information on VA counseling, call VA toll-free at 1-888-GI-BILL-1 (1-888-442-4551) or TDD at the Federal Relay, 711.

PART I

NOTE: The numbers on the instructions match the item numbers on the application. Items not mentioned are self-explanatory.

This section provides an overview of the general eligibility requirements for various education programs. Additional requirements not listed on this form may be necessary.

NOTE: A specific single period of service may not be used towards establishing eligibility for more than one benefit. Therefore, once a period of service has been applied toward a specific benefit, that period of service may not be used again toward a different benefit. However, there is one exception to this rule. With regard to Chapter 33, a period of service beginning before August 1, 2011, can be used to establish eligibility to Chapter 33 even if it has already been used to establish eligibility to a different benefit.

ITEM 7. The Department of the Treasury requires all Federal benefit payments be made by electronic funds transfer (EFT), also called direct deposit (Direct Deposit is not available for Chapter 32 recipients). To enroll in direct deposit, provide the information requested in Item 7 <u>and</u> attach either a voided personal check <u>or</u> a deposit slip to match the information in Item 7. If you **do not** have a bank account, please visit<u>https://www.benefits.va.gov/benefits.banking.asp</u>. This website provides information about the Veterans Benefits Banking Program (VBBP), and a link to banks and credit unions that may fit your needs. You may also call 1-800-827-1000. If you elect not to enroll, you must contact representatives handling waiver requests for the Department of the Treasury at 1-888-224-2950. They will encourage your participation in EFT and address any questions or concerns you may have.

PART II

ITEM 9A. You may be eligible for benefits under the Post-9/11 GI Bill, also referred to as chapter 33, if you served at least 90 aggregate days on active duty (excluding entry level and skill training) after September 10, 2001. You may also qualify if you were discharged due to a service-connected disability after serving at least 30 continuous days on active duty after September 10, 2001.

ITEM 9B. You may be eligible for the Montgomery GI Bill, also referred to as MGIB or chapter 30, if you served on active duty and meet certain conditions. NOTE: You do not have to be on active duty to apply for benefits under this program. You must meet any <u>one</u> of the following conditions (there are additional requirements):

You first entered service on or after July 1, 1985, and you didn't decline this benefit at your initial entry into service

OR

You entered service (or agreed to delayed entry) before January 1, 1977, and you have educational assistance entitlement remaining under the Vietnam Era GI Bill (also known as "chapter 34") OR

You were voluntarily separated under the Voluntary Separation Incentive (VSI) or Special Separation Benefit (SSB) programs and had your military pay reduced by \$1,200

You were involuntarily separated from active duty after February 2, 1991

You were on active duty and a participant in the Post-Vietnam Era Veterans' Educational Assistance Program (VEAP) program on or before October 9, 1996, or you first entered the National Guard under title 32, U.S. Code, between July 1, 1985, and November 28, 1989, you elected chapter 30 benefits between October 9, 1996, and October 8, 1997, and you paid \$1,200

OR

OR

OR

You were on active duty and eligible for VEAP benefits on October 9, 1996, you elected chapter 30 benefits between November 1, 2000, and October 31, 2001, and you paid \$2,700.

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SUPERSEDES VA FORM 22-1990, MAR 2023, WHICH WILL NOT BE USED.

ITEM 9C. You may be eligible for the Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve Educational Assistance Program, also known as MGIB-SR or chapter 1606, if you are a member of the Selected Reserve and meet certain requirements, including a 6-year commitment. (The Departments of Defense and Homeland Security determine eligibility for this program.)

To expedite processing, attach a copy of your DD 2384, Selected Reserve Educational Assistance Program (GI BILL) Notice of Basic Eligibility. This form is also called a "NOBE." Your reserve unit should have issued this notice to you when you became eligible for the Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve Educational Assistance Program. If you are unable to locate your copy, request a duplicate from your reserve unit.

ITEM 9D. You may be eligible for benefits under the Post-Vietnam Era Veterans' Educational Assistance Program (VEAP), also known as Chapter 32, if your service began on or after January 1, 1977, and before July 1, 1985, and you contributed to a VEAP account.

You may be eligible for benefits under the Post-Vietnam Era Non-Contributory Veterans' Educational Assistance Program, also known as "Non-Contributory VEAP" or Section 903", if your service began on or after November 30, 1980, and before October 1, 1981, and your branch of service paid contributions into your VEAP account.

PART III

ITEM 10A. Self-explanatory, except for the following items:

"Vocational Flight Training." You must already have a private pilot's license. If you are taking an Airline Transport Pilot course, you must have a valid first-class medical certificate on the date that you enter training. For all other flight courses, you must have a valid second-class medical certificate on the date that you enter training.

"National Test Reimbursement." You can be reimbursed for the cost of approved tests for admission to, or credit at, institutions of higher learning.

"Licensing or Certification Test Reimbursement." A licensing test is a test offered by a state, local, or federal agency that is required by law to practice an occupation. A certification test is a test designed to provide affirmation of an individual's qualifications in a specific occupation. Examples include EMT, CPA, MCSE, CCNP, etc.

"Tuition Assistance Top-Up." This benefit is payable only under MGIB and the Post-9/11 GI Bill programs. You can receive benefits to pay for the difference between what the military pays with Tuition Assistance (TA) and the total costs of these courses.

PART VIII

QUESTIONS ARE ONLY FOR APPLICANTS WHOSE SERVICE BEGAN BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1977, (or delayed entry before January 2, 1978). If you are currently married or if you have children under age 18 (under age 23 if in school), you should complete and return VA Form 21-686c. If your children are in school, you should also complete and return VA Form 21-674 for each child. If your parent(s) are dependent on you for financial support, you should complete and return VA Form 21-509. These forms may require additional documentation. VA cannot pay any additional benefits for dependents without properly completed forms and documentation. You can find VA forms 21-686c, 21-674, and 21-509 on-line at <u>www.va.gov/vaforms</u>.

ITEM 24. If you are certifying that you are married for the purpose of VA benefits, your marriage must be recognized by the place where you and/or your spouse resided at the time of marriage, or where you and/or your spouse resided when you filed your claim (or a later date when you became eligible for benefits) (38 U.S.C. § 103(c)). Additional guidance on when VA recognizes marriages is available at <u>www.va.gov/opa/marriage</u>.

ADDITIONAL HELP

If you need more help in completing this application, call VA TOLL FREE at 1-888-GI-BILL-1 (1-888-442-4551). If you use the Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD), the Federal Relay number is 711. You can also get education assistance after normal business hours at our education Internet site www.benefits.va.gov/gibill.

HOW TO FILE YOUR CLAIM

Be sure to do the following:

(A) If you have selected a school or training establishment:

Step 1. Mail the completed application to the VA Regional Processing Office for the state or region of that school's physical address. See page 3 for the addresses of VA Regional Processing Offices.

Step 2. Tell the veterans certifying official at your school or training establishment that you have applied for VA education benefits. Ask him or her to send your enrollment information using VA Form 22-1999, Enrollment Certification, or its electronic version.

Step 3. Wait for VA to process your application and notify you of its decision concerning your eligibility for education benefits.

(B) If you haven't selected a school or training establishment:

Step 1: Mail the completed application to the VA Regional Processing Office for the state or region of your home address. See the addresses below for VA Regional Processing Offices.

Step 2: Wait for VA to process your application and notify you of its decision concerning your eligibility for education benefits.

Eastern Region:											
VA Regional Office											
P.O. Box 4616											
	Buffalo, NY 14240-4616										
SERVES THE FOLLOWING STATES											
CO	СТ	DC	DE	IA	IL	IN	KS	KY	MA		
MD	ME	МІ	MN	MO	MT	NC	ND	NE	NH		
NJ NY OH PA RI SD TN VA VT V								WI			
WV	WY	APO / F	FPO AA FOREIGN SCHOOLS			US VIRGIN ISLANDS					

Western Region: VA Regional Office											
	P.O. Box 8888 Muskogee, OK 74402-8888										
SERVES THE FOLLOWING STATES											
AK	AL	AR	AZ	CA	FL	GA	н	ID	LA		
MS	MS NM NV OK OR PR SC TX UT WA								WA		
APO / FPO AP		GU	IAM	PHILI	PPINES	AMERICAN SAMOA		MARIANA ISLANDS			

REQUEST TO OPT OUT OF INFORMATION SHARING WITH EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

The Harry W. Colmery Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2017 (Public Law 115-48), also know as the "Forever GI Bill," requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to make available to educational institutions information about the amount of educational assistance to which a veteran or other eligible individual is entitled. If you are eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill (Chapter 33), Montgomery GI Bill-Active Duty (Chapter 30), Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve (Chapter 1606), or the Survivors' and Dependents Educational Assistance Program (DEA) (Chapter 35), you may elect to "opt-out" of these disclosures and have VA withhold this information instead. To request an opt-out, or for information about how to opt-out, please refer to our website at va.gov, or click https://www.va.gov/find-forms/ to complete the VA Form 22-0993, *Request to Opt-Out of Information Sharing with Educational Institutions*.

Privacy Act Notice: The VA will not disclose information collected on this form to any source other than what has been authorized under the Privacy Act of 1974 or title 38, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.576 for routine uses (e.g., VA sends educational forms or letters with a veteran's identifying information to the veteran's school or training establishment to (1) assist the veteran in the completion of claims forms or (2) for the VA to obtain further information as may be necessary from the school for the VA to properly process the veteran's education claim or to monitor his or her progress during training) as identified in the VA system of records, 58VA21/22/28, Compensation, Pension, Education, and Veteran Readiness and Employment Records - VA, and published in the Federal Register. Your response is required to obtain or retain education benefits. Giving us your SSN account information is voluntary. Refusal to provide your SSN by itself will not result in the denial of benefits. The VA will not deny an individual benefits for refusing to provide his or her SSN unless the disclosure of the SSN is required by a Federal Statute of law enacted before January 1, 1975, and still in effect. The requested information is considered relevant and necessary to determine the maximum benefits under the law. While you do not have to respond, VA cannot process your claim for education assistance unless the information is furnished as required by existing law (38 U.S.C. 3471). The responses you submit are considered confidential (38 U.S.C. 5701). Any information provided by applicants, recipients, and others may be subject to verification through computer matching programs with other agencies.

Respondent Burden: An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control number for this project is 2900-0154, and it expires 03/31/2026. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per respondent, per year, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate and any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to VA Reports Clearance Officer at <u>VACOPaperworkReduAct@va.gov</u>. Please refer to OMB Control No. 2900-0154 in any correspondence. Do not send your completed VA Form 22-1990 to this email address.

OMB Control No. 2900-0154 Respondent Burden: 15 minutes Expiration Date: 03/31/2026

Department of Veterans Affairs APPLICATION FOR VA EDUCATION BENEFITS (See attached Information and Instructions)						
INTERNET VERSION AVAILABLE - You may complete a	nd send your application over the Int	ernet at: <u>www.benefits.va.gov/gibill.</u>				
	I - APPLICANT INFORMATI	ON				
1. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OF APPLICANT	2. GENDER OF APPLICANT	3. APPLICANT'S DATE OF BIRTH				
	FEMALE MALE	Month Day Year				
4. NAME (First, Middle Initial, Last)						
5. APPLICANT'S ADDRESS						
Number and Street						
	Apt./Unit Nun	nber				
City, State, ZIP Code						
6A. APPLICANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBERS (Include Area Code)						
Home:	Mobile:					
6B. APPLICANT'S E-MAIL ADDRESS (Required)						
7. DIRECT DEPOSIT (To enroll in direct deposit, attach a voided persona	al check \underline{or} deposit slip to match the information	n provided below. Direct Deposit is not available for Chapter 32				
recipients. See Instructions for additional Direct Deposit information.) Routing or Transit Number Accc	unt Type	Account Number				
	Savings					
8. PLEASE PROVIDE THE NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHO		_ ALWAYS KNOW WHERE YOU CAN BE REACHED				
A. NAME	B. ADDRESS	C. PHONE NUMBER				
PART II - EDUC For help with completing this section, please se	CATION BENEFITS BEING AI <i>e the attached instructions page or vi</i>					
9A. Chapter 33 - Post-9/11 GI Bill						
9B. Chapter 30 - Montgomery GI Bill Educational Assis	stance Program (MGIB)					
9C. Chapter 1606 - Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve Educational Assistance Program (MGIB-SR)						
9D. Chapter 32 or Section 903 - Post-Vietnam Era Vet	erans' Educational Assistance Progra	m (VEAP)				
		VA DATE STAMP				
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PART III - TYPE AND PROGRAM OF EDUCATION OR TRAINING										
10A. TYPE OF EDUCATION OR TRAINING (See instructions for additional information)										
 COLLEGE OR OTHER SCHOOL (Including on-line courses) APPRENTICESHIP OR ON-THE-JOB VOCATIONAL FLIGHT TRAINING CORRESPONDENCE NATIONAL TEST REIMBURSEMENT (SAT, CLEP, ETC.) LICENSING OR CERTIFICATION TEST REIMBURSEMENT (MCSE, CCNA, EMT, NCLEX, ETC.) APPRENTICESHIP OR ON-THE-JOB CORRESPONDENCE CORRESPONDENCE TUITION ASSISTANCE TOP-UP (Chapter 30 & 33 only) 										
10B. PROVIDE THE FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE SCHOOL, IF KNOWN (Skip this item if you are only applying for National Test Reimbursement, Licensing and Certification Test Reimbursement, or Tuition Assistance Top-Up)										
10C. PLEASE SPECIF	Y YOUR EDUCATIONAL	OR CAREER OBJEC	CTIVE, IF KNOWN	(e.g. Bachelor of Arts in Accounting, well	ling certificate, police officer, etc.)					
		PART	IV - SERVICI	E INFORMATION						
• DD Form 214 (• DD Form 2384	 NOTE: It will help VA process your claim if you send a copy of the following: DD Form 214 (Member 4) for all periods of active duty service (excluding active duty for training) DD Form 2384, Notice of Basic Eligibility (NOBE) if applying for Chapter 1606 Copies of orders if activated from the Guard/Reserves 									
11. ARE YOU ON ACT		"Yes" if you are current	ly on drilling status i	in the Selected Reserve, or if you are on a	ctive duty for training)					
12. ARE YOU NOW O	N TERMINAL LEAVE JUS (Please provide a copy of			l)						
	13. PLEASE	COMPLETE THE	FOLLOWING F	OR EACH PERIOD OF MILITAR	Y SERVICE					
A. DATE ENTERED	B. DATE SEPARATED	C. SERVICE COM USAF, USAR,		D. SERVICE STATUS (Active duty, drilling reservist, IRR, etc.)	E. WERE YOU INVOLUNTARILY CALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY FOR THIS PERIOD?					
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9/26/2000 1/18/2005	9/24/2004 8/14/2007	USN USM		ACTIVE DUTY DRILLING	NO N/A					
PART V - EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION										
	A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLO CERTIFICATE? (If "Yes" pr		OL	14A. DO YOU HOLD ANY FAA FLI certificate in Part IX, Remarks)	GHT CERTIFICATES? (If "Yes," specify each					
YES DATE: _	YES DATE: □ NO □ YES NO									

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14B. EDUCATION AFTER HIGH SCHOOL (Including apprenticeship, on-the-job training, and flight training)								
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20. IF YOU HAD A PERIOD OF ACTIVE DUTY THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE COUNTS FOR PURPOSES OF REPAYING AN EDUCATION LOAN, CHECK "YES". SHOW THE PERIOD OF ACTIVE DUTY THAT THE MILITARY						AT THE MILITARY	YES NO	
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21. FOR ACTIVE DUTY CLAIMA							YES NO	
(INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FEDERAL TUITION ASSISTANCE) FROM THE ARMED FORCES OR PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE FOR THE COURSE FOR WHICH YOU HAVE APPLIED TO THE VA FOR EDUCATION BENEFITS? IF								
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PART VII - INFORMATION ON VA EDUCATION BENEFITS						
NOTE : The most current information on VA education benefits is available online at <u>www.benefits.va.gov/gibill</u> . If you would like to receive a printed pamphlet check here.						
PART VIII - MARITAL AND DEPENDENCY STATUS						
NOTE: Only complete this section if you have military service before January 1, 1977 (or delayed entry before Janu	ary 2, 1978). See instructions.					
23. ARE YOU MARRIED?						
24. DO YOU HAVE ANY CHILDREN WHO ARE UNDER AGE 18, OR OVER 18 BUT UNDER AGE 23, NOT MARRIED AND ATTENDI PERMANENTLY HELPLESS FOR MENTAL OR PHYSICAL REASONS?	ING SCHOOL, OR OF ANY AGE					
YES NO						
25. DO YOU HAVE A PARENT WHO IS DEPENDENT UPON YOU FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT?						
PART IX - REMARKS (If more space is needed, please attach a separate sheet of paper. Be sure to include your name and social security						
APPLICATION SUBMISSION REMINDERS						
 Did you remember to Write your social security number on each page? Write your complete mailing address and email address? Attach all supporting documents (<i>e.g. voided check, orders, DD214, kicker contract, NOBE, cash collection voucher, etc.</i>)? Check only one of the boxes below Item 9F of the benefit you are relinquishing in order to receive Chapter 33? IF SO, PLEASE SIGN AND DATE THE APPLICATION BELOW PART X - CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT I CERTIFY THAT all statements in my application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. If on active duty, I also certify that I 						
have consulted with an Education Service Officer (ESO) regarding my education program.						
PENALTY - Willful false statements as to a material fact in a claim for education benefits is a punishable offense at these or other benefits and in criminal penalties.						
26A. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (<u>DO NOT PRINT</u>)	26B. DATE SIGNED (MM/DD/YYYY)					