Chapter 30 - Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty

(This benefit does not pay tuition and fees)

You may be eligible for Chapter 30 benefits as a veteran or service member if one of the four following categories describes your active duty service.

Category 1

- ♦ Entered active duty for the first time after 06/30/1985
- ♦ Had military pay reduced by \$100 a month for the first 12 months
- ♦ Continuously served for 3 years, *OR*, 2 continuous years of active duty if you first signed up for less than three years *OR* have an obligation to serve four years in the Selected Reserve (the 2x4 program) and enter the Selected Reserve within one year of release from active duty.

Category 2

- \diamond Entered active duty before 01/01/1977
- Served at least 1 day between 10/19/1984 and 6/30/1985, and served on active duty for at least three continuous years beginning on 07/01/1985; or at least two continuous years active duty beginning on 07/01/1985, followed by a minimum of four years in the Selected Reserve beginning within one year of release from active duty.
- ◊ On 12/31/1989, you had entitlement left from Vietnam Era GI Bill

Category 3

- ♦ Not eligible for MGIB under Category I or II
- ◊ On active duty on 09/30/1990 AND separated involuntarily after 02/02/1991,
- \diamond OR involuntarily separated on or after 11/30/1993,
- ♦ *OR* voluntarily separated under the Voluntary Separation Incentive (VSI) or Special Separation Benefit (SSB) program
- ◊ Before separation, you had military pay reduced by \$1200

Category 4

- On active duty on 10/09/1996 AND you had money remaining in a VEAP account on that date AND you elected MGIB by 10/09/1997
- ♦ *OR* entered full-time National Guard duty under Title 32, USC, between 07/01/1985 and 11/28/1989 *AND* you elected MGIB during the period 10/09/1996 through 07/08/1997
- ♦ Had military pay reduced by \$100 a month for 12 months or made a \$1200 lump-sum contribution

First Time Applicants

- If you are eligible for Chapter 30 benefits and wish to apply, please complete VA Form 22-1990 on www.gibill.va.gov. Follow the links to apply online using VONAPP.
- Print your application after online submission and immediately bring it, along with DD 214's for each period of active duty served, to MTC's VA Office. You must contact Shannon Dyers for an appointment. She can be reached at dyerss@midlandstech.edu.

Previously Applied for Benefits

- > Please complete VA Form 22-1995 on <u>www.gibill.va.gov</u>. Follow the links to apply online using VONAPP.
- Print a copy of the application and bring it to MTC's VA Office. You must contact Shannon Dyers for an appointment. She can be reached at dyers@midlandstech.edu.

Come to the VA Office to request a Certification of Enrollment once payment arrangements have been made on your account. Tuition and fees have to either be paid in full, or by enrolling in a payment plan. If you enroll in a payment plan to pay your fees, you do not have to have the balance paid in full before coming to our office to be certified. Once the payment plan is on file, you may request an Enrollment Cert.

Processing of Enrollment Certifications by VA takes approximately 30 days. Once processed, you will have to verify with the VA that the status of your enrollment has not changed. To verify monthly enrollment, call 1-877-823-2378 on the last day of each month you are enrolled.