Chapter 33 - Post 9/11 GI Bill

The Post-9/11 GI Bill is for individuals with at least 90 days of aggregate service on or after 9/11/01, or individuals discharged due to a service-connected disability after serving at least 30 days. You must have received an honorable discharge to be eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill. The amount paid to the school and student is determined by the number of months/years the service member has served on active duty after 9/11/01. Under the Post 9/11 GI Bill:

Be advised that your payments will be prorated if the course does not run the duration of the month, and also if it is determined that your rate of pursuit is less than full-time. Each program will be different so your individual rate of pursuit will have to be determined when you speak with our VA Benefits Counselor at the school.

*You may use only a total of 48 months under any combination of education benefits and must relinquish benefits under the GI Bill you are currently eligible for in order to use Ch. 33 benefits. Once you switch to the Post 9/11 GI Bill, you will not be able to go back, so it is very important that you consider your options carefully.

If you would like guidance on which GI Bill would be best for you, please visit <u>www.gibill.va.gov</u>. If you're still unsure after visiting the site, please contact the VA toll free at 1-888-442-4551.*

Transfer of Entitlement

The Post 9/11 GI Bill may be transferred to dependents of eligible service members. Please visit the GI Bill website at www.gibill.va.gov for eligibility requirements. Please bring us copies of the DoD approval of the transfer and VA Form 22-1990E, the latter of which is to be completed by the transfer recipient. If you have already received a certificate of eligibility for the benefits, we do not need the aforementioned documentation. Just bring the Certificate of Eligibility. All documents must be submitted to MTC's VA Office. You must contact Shannon Dyers for an appointment. She can be reached at dyerss@midlandstech.edu.

First Time Applicants

- ➤ If you are eligible for the Post 9/11 GI Bill, 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 after 9/11/01 and proof of discharge for service-connected disability (if applicable), 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 www.gibill.va.gov. 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 dyerss@midlandstech.edu.

Your courses will be held by a deferment form you will have to obtain from our office. If you are eligible for less than 100% benefits payable under the Post 9/11 GI Bill, you will have to either pay the remaining balance in full or enroll in a payment plan prior to our office certifying your enrollment.

Tuition and fees are paid directly to the school. Book money and BAH are paid directly to the student. Spouses who have had Ch. 33 benefits transferred to them are not eligible for BAH, since the service member is already receiving BAH from the military.