VETERAN’S AFFAIRS NEWSLETTER FROM THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID!!!

VA INFORMATION

The Debt Management National Call Center will now be open on Saturday’s from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. CST, starting January 31st through the tax season and tentatively ending on May 2, 2015. Their toll-free number is 1.800.827.0648.

Summer School Information

If you plan on using your VA Benefits during the summer, please complete a VA Enrollment Worksheet. If you plan to apply for Summer Financial aid, you must have a FAFSA on file (2014-2015) and must complete a 2015 Summer School Application. The Worksheet and Summer Application can be found on the Financial Aid website, or you can pick one up from our office.
**Full-Time Status for VA during the Summer**

Here is what’s considered Full-time for the following summer sessions:

- **Maymester**: At least 2 credit hours.
- **Summer I**: At least 4 credit hours.
- **Summer II**: At least 4 credit hours.

***Remember that summer is optional! You do not have to attend each summer session.***

When completing the VA Enrollment Worksheet; if you are taking more than one summer session, you can list them on the same worksheet. Please list any Fall classes on a separate VA Enrollment Worksheet.

**Certification Information**

The VA now required all certifications to be submitted before or within the first 30 days of the semester.

When completing the VA Enrollment Worksheet for certification, please be sure that it has been signed by your Academic Advisor prior to turning it into me. The VA Certifying Official is not your academic advisor and cannot sign the form.
Please be sure you attach a copy of your **Detailed Schedule**, not the **Time and Day Schedule**. The Detailed Schedule provides me with all the accurate information I need to complete the certification. To access your Detailed Schedule, please follow the steps below:

1. Log into Braveweb
2. Click on Banner Self-Service
3. Click on Student & Financial Aid
4. Click on Registration
5. Click on Student Detailed Schedule
6. Select the term
7. Print

***Reminder***

The GI Bill® Comparison Tool is now live at www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/comparison.

The tool assists a student to:

1. Determine their eligibility percentage and then choose resident or online training and their school
2. Choose their status (i.e. veteran, active duty, spouse, child or reserve/guard)
3. It will then tell them the percentage of T&F payable at that school (if its public) or the max payable (if its private),
4. Calculates the BAH (at full time and considering their eligibility percentage) and
5. Provides the max book stipend based on their eligibility percentage.
Payment Information

If you are *Chapter 30, 35, or 1606/1607*, you should prepare to cover any initial costs due for the term you are enrolled to make sure that your enrollment is secure. VA payments are sent to you directly; therefore it is your responsibility to make sure anything you owe is paid by the due date indicated by student accounts.

If you are *Chapter 33 Post 9/11*, your enrollment is secure until payment has been received directly to the University after we have certified electronically. You must have enough VA benefits to cover your tuition and fees. If you are considered less than 100% for your benefit payments, you must be prepared to pay any out of pocket expenses after VA has paid. To secure your classes, all certification documents are to be turned in as soon as you enroll.

Question of the Month

If I transfer schools, do I need to complete anything with the VA?

If you plan on transferring schools, you will need to complete the form 22-1995 with the VA. If you are receiving Chapter 35 DEA benefits, you will complete the form 22-5495. You can access these forms via the VA webpage ([www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov)).
UPCOMING DATES

April 3rd - Good Friday/University Closed
April 6th - Open Registration for SSI, II, and Fall 15.
April 10th - Last Day to withdraw from a second 8 weeks class.
April 11th - Open House
April 17th - Last day to withdraw from UNCP with documentation.
April 30th - Classes end

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Turn in VA paperwork to the VA Certifying Official early.
- Do NOT complete the VA Enrollment Worksheet in pencil.
- The Department Of Veterans Affairs will NOT pay for any classes that are not within your degree program.
- Consult with your advisor if you have any questions about your program or classes.
- If you are Chapters 30 or 1606/1607 you must access the WAVE website with VA monthly to certify your enrollment. www.gibill.va.gov/wave