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www.gibill.va.gov/wave
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UNCP Homecoming Parade 2012
Student Veterans Association won best Student Organization!!

* VA is extremely behind in Education Claim processing and has caused delays for many of you. If you are Post 9/11 (Chapter 33) and you still owe funds to the university, the Student Accounts office is aware of your situation and has removed any registration holds at this time so that you can register.

This only applies to Post 9/11 recipients.

You can contact VA for further information at 1-888-442-4551

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Marine Toys for Tots Foundation

Coming soon around campus there will be donation boxes to support the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation.

The UNC Pembroke Student Veterans of America (SVA) will be working very hard for this cause and any TOY donation is appreciated.

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.

FAQ’s

How do I make sure I get my certification of enrollment completed?

After you are registered for classes, bring the VA Enrollment Worksheet and a copy of your schedule to the VA Certifying Official in the Financial Aid Office. Certification is NOT automatic.

If you are Chapters 30 or 1606/1607, you must verify your enrollment monthly on WAVE (Web Automated Verification of Enrollment) at www.gibill.va.gov/wave.

What do I do if I change my program or enrollment status?

If you change enrollment or change your program of study, you must notify the VA Certifying Official in the office of Financial Aid immediately. Any changes or updates must be communicated to VA. Changes in enrollment can sometimes cause a debt for the student, where you may have to repay any funds you are not eligible for back to the VA.

What happens if I get put on academic probation or suspended?
VA requires that all veterans maintain good academic progress and the VA Certifying Official will be required to report academic status to the VA and all certifications could be delayed by VA until student maintains adequate status to receive benefits.

**What do I do if my VA benefits do not quite cover all of my educational expenses?** Completing the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) could assist you by giving you opportunities for certain grants.