



Office of Military Services

Education Benefits Briefing

What We'll Cover





Who We Are

History

- Established August 2009

Location

- Fairfax Campus
 - Student Union Building I (SUBI)
 - Room 1510, lower-level
- Office Hours: 0900-1700

Contact Info

- Tel: 703-993-1316
- E-mail: military@gmu.edu

• Veterans Serving Veterans

Leadership

Director

Associate
Director

Jennifer
Connors

Ryan Barnett

Air Force

Marine
Corps

Support Team

Student Services and Support

Rylee

Fernando

Briannah

Air Force

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Corps

Air Force

Our Mission

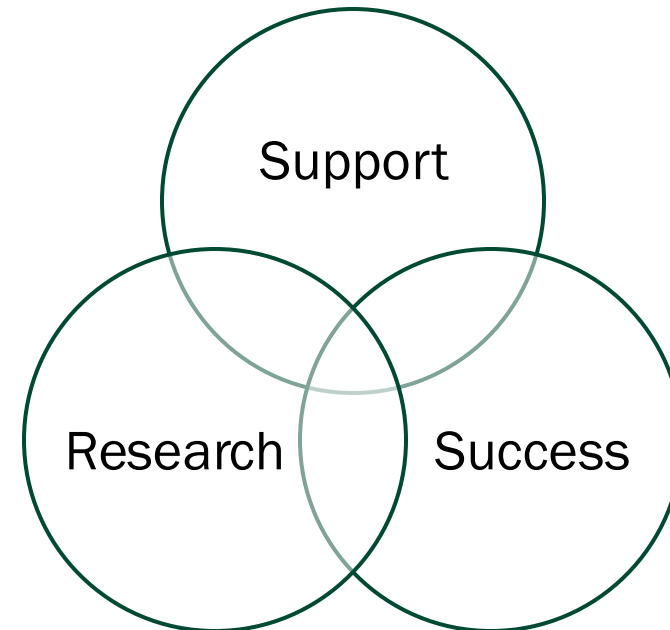
To serve all military-affiliated students attending Mason

Who We Serve

- Approximately ~3,400 at Mason
 - Veterans
 - Active Duty
 - Family Members/Dependents

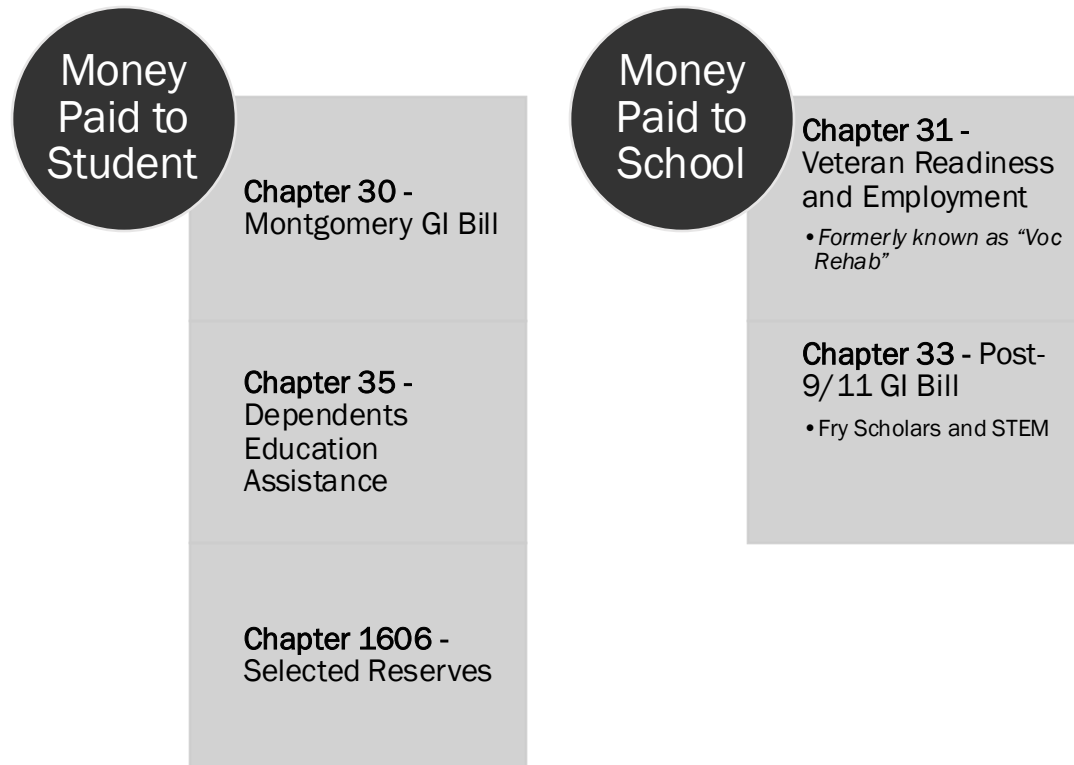
How We Can Help

- Support Student Success
- Serve as a centralized point of contact (Presidential Executive Order 13607)
- Engage and Create a vibrant community

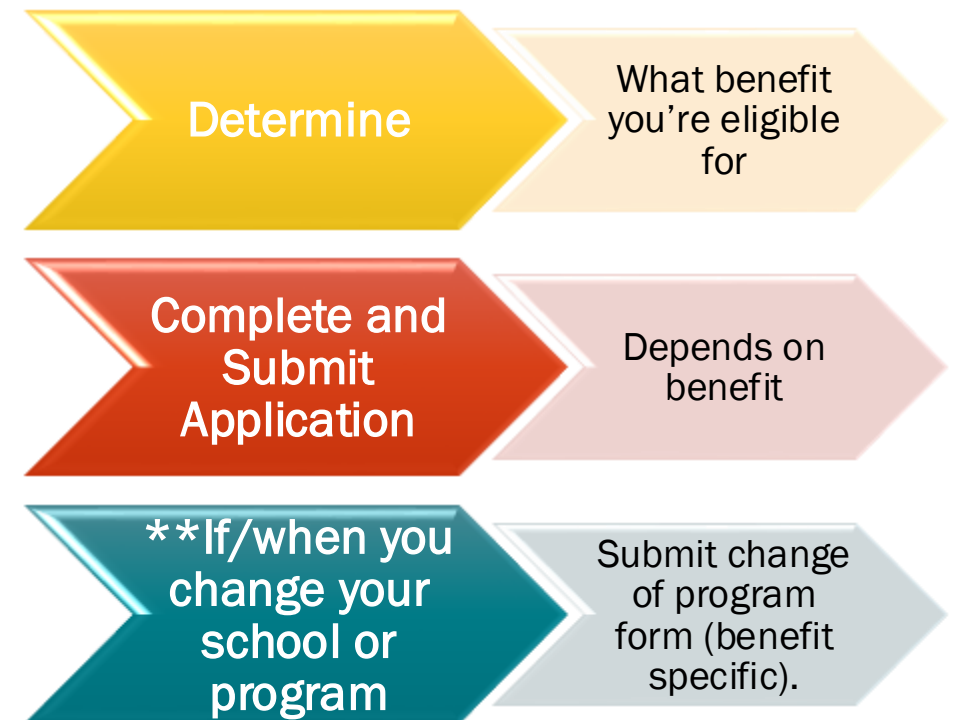


Understanding Your Benefits

- How It Works (By Benefit)

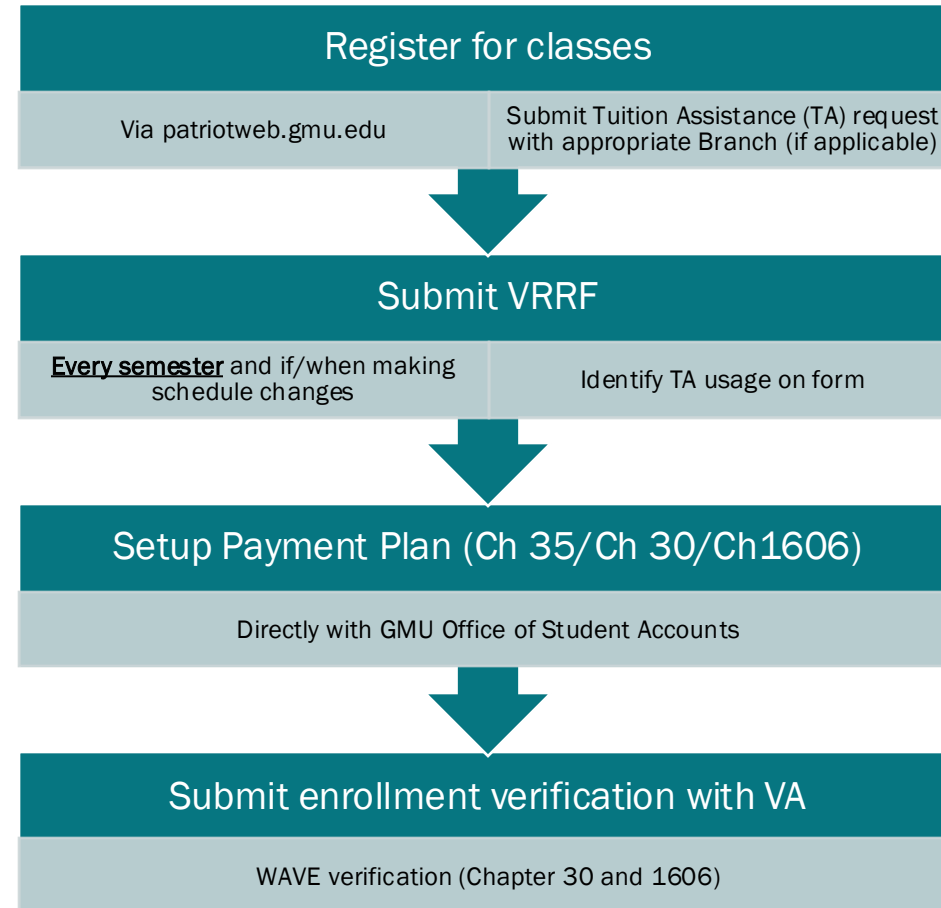
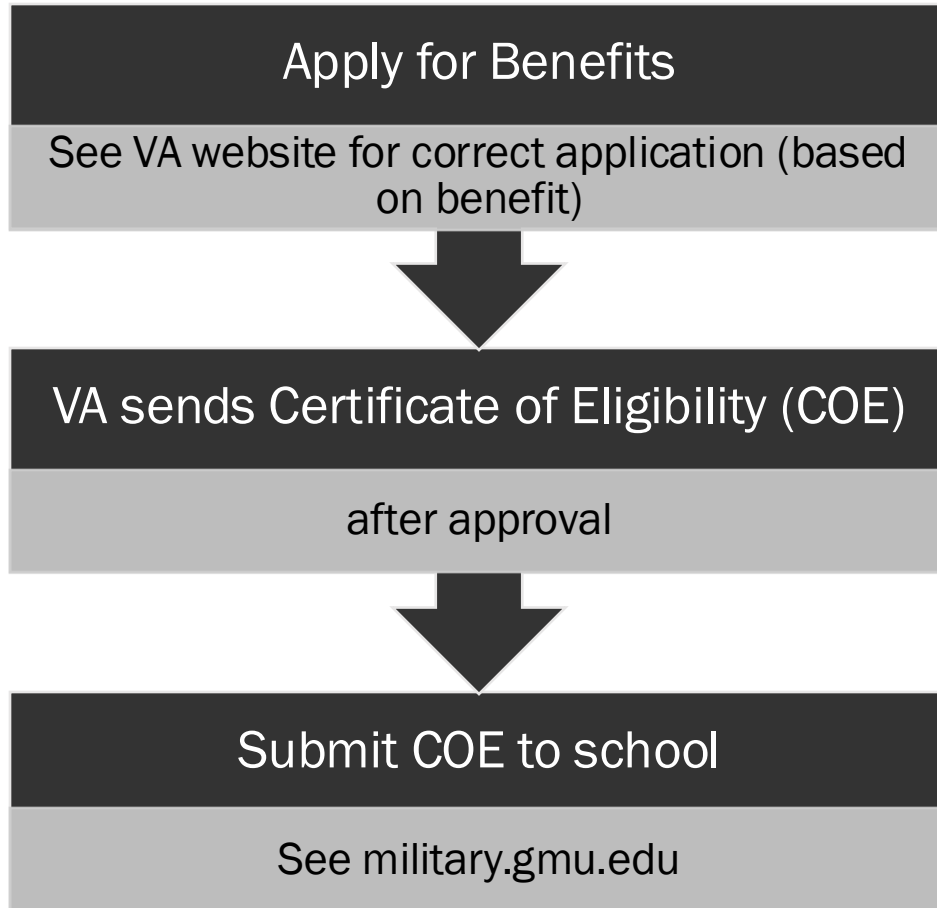


- Steps to Take:



Paying for School

Ch 1606, Ch 30, Ch 31, Ch 33, Fry/STEM, and Ch 35



Using Your Benefits at Mason

ALL STUDENTS | ALL BENEFITS

Must submit a Veterans Registration Reporting Form (VRRF) **EVERY SEMESTER** after enrolling in classes or after making changes to existing class schedule.

- **DEADLINE:** No later than 5 pm the first day of classes or you will receive a late fee (\$125)

Submit COE through the website at military.gmu.edu



Master of Arts



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General Student Information

Spring 2018
Dec 04, 2017 12:35 pm

While all student information is private and should be guarded as such, students marked Confidential have requested extreme care in the handling of their student data. Student information may be released outside the university only by the Registrar's Office or the Law School Records Office, which will apply special rules to students in Confidential Status.

Information for [Joe Snuffy](#)

Student Information effective from Spring 2018 to The End of Time

Registered for Term:	Yes
First Term Attended:	Spring 2018
Status:	Active
Residence:	Out of State (Unsubmitted)
Citizenship:	US Citizen
Student Type:	First Time
Rate:	Out of State Domicile
Class:	Graduate
Expected Graduation Date:	May 31, 2024

Curriculum Information

Current Program

Master of Arts	
Level:	Graduate
Program:	MA Graphic Design
Admit Term:	Spring 2018
Admit Type:	Graduate
Catalog Term:	Spring 2018
College:	Coll Visual & Performing Arts
Campus:	Mason
Major:	Graphic Design

Section 702

Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act of 2014

Allows veterans and dependents using Ch. 30, Ch. 31, Ch. 33, or Ch. 35 to pay no more than in-state tuition

Does not change domicile status to “in-state”

702 students **are not eligible** for Virginia scholarships and grants or out-of-state scholarships and grants

Should only be used by students who cannot be granted in-state tuition rates through SCHEV guidelines

Section 702

Eligibility

Veterans living in Virginia with 90+ days active service

Dependents living in Virginia using benefits transferred from...

- a veteran with 90+ days active service
- an active duty service member

Survivors living in Virginia using the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship

Using Section 702

Verify Eligibility

- Student must be actively using Ch. 30, Ch 31, Ch. 33, or Ch. 35

Submit 702
OS waiver
application

- Section 702 requests are initiated on the VRRF

Submit
Documentation

- Dead, Lease or other proof
- COE

Veterans should use SCHEV guidelines for in-state tuition rates

Chapter 33



Tuition and Fees

Yellow Ribbon Program

Book Stipend

Housing Stipend

Tuition and Fees

- Important Notes:

Paid directly to Mason

Tuition and fees are based on **percentage (%) of eligibility**

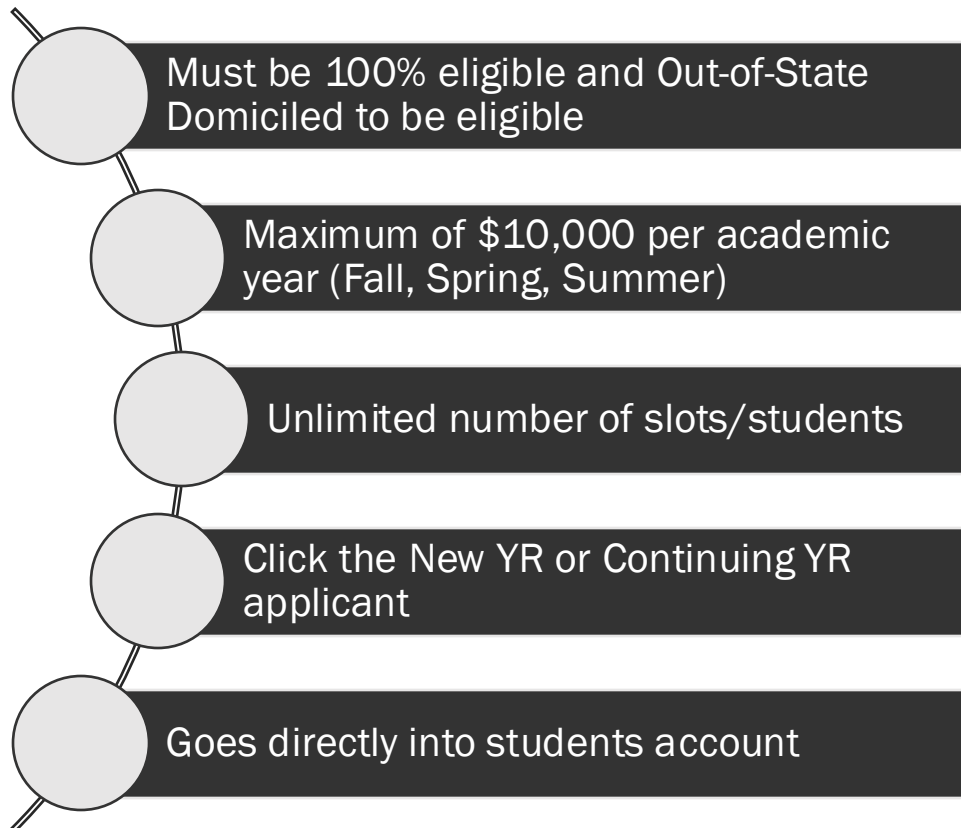
VA covers your percentage at the **in-state rate only**.

The **Yellow Ribbon program** can assist in cost difference between in-state and out-of-state *if requirements are met*.

Percentage of Eligibility	What the VA should cover
100%	<u>100%</u> of the in-state tuition and fees
90%	<u>90%</u> of the in-state tuition and fees
80%	<u>80%</u> of the in-state tuition and fees
70%	<u>70%</u> of the in-state tuition and fees
60%	<u>60%</u> of the in-state tuition and fees
50%	<u>50%</u> of the in-state tuition and fees
40%	<u>40%</u> of the in-state tuition and fees

Yellow Ribbon Program

- Used as needed



Covers the Difference

- What you need in your first semester will be used to cover your tuition difference.

Remainder Rolls

- The remaining amount will be available for the following semester.

Annual Reset

- Each fall, the money renews back to \$10,000.

Book Stipend

Percentage of Eligibility Based on your COE from the VA	Yearly Maximum Book Stipend Renews each year
100%	\$1,000
90%	\$900
80%	\$800
70%	\$700
60%	\$600
50%	\$500
40%	\$400

Housing Stipend

Important Notes:

Paid directly to you (the student)

Based on percentage (%) of eligibility and credits taken

Undergraduates must have at least 7 credits to receive any stipend

Graduates must have at least 5 credits to receive any stipend

**For summer term rates, please contact our office. MHA requires monthly verification!!!!

Number of Credits Required (Fall/Spring**)	Percentage of Housing Stipend Eligibility*	
	<u>Undergrad.</u>	<u>Grad.</u>
12+	100%	100%
11	90%	100%
10	80%	100%
9	80%	100%
8	70%	90%
7	60%	80%
6	0%	70%
5	0%	60%

**Based on E-5 with Dependents.
Where majority of credit hours are
taken (zip code).*

 = Full time

Chapter 30: Montgomery GI Bill

Payments

- **Pays a stipend to the student;** does not cover tuition and fees

Rates as of October 1, 2023

- Full-time → \$2,358.00/month
- $\frac{3}{4}$ time → \$1,768.50/month
- $\frac{1}{2}$ time to more than $\frac{1}{4}$ time → \$1,179.50/month
- $\frac{1}{4}$ time or less → \$ 589.50/month

All students using
Montgomery GI Bill must:



Submit WAVE verification
each month to the VA

either via the VA
website or telephone

Chapter 35: Dependents Education Assistance (DEA) Program

Stipend only

- Does Not Cover Tuition

Payments

- Full time → \$1,488.00/month
- $\frac{3}{4}$ time → \$1,176.00/month
- $\frac{1}{2}$ to $> \frac{1}{4}$ Time → \$862.00/month
- $\frac{1}{4}$ time or less → \$372/month

May be eligible for the
Virginia Military and
Survivor Dependent
Education Assistance
Program

90-
100% Service
Connected
Disability

Chapter 35: Certificate of Eligibility

Required Information:

Sponsor's Full SSN

Dependent's Full SSN

Payee Number

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
BUFFALO REGIONAL OFFICE
PO BOX 4616
BUFFALO NEW YORK 14240-4616

January 1, 2018

In Reply Refer To: 307/22/DAK

JOSEPH SNUFFY
12345 COUCH STREET
FT. LIVING ROOM, VA 22030

J A SNUFF
CSS XXX-XX-4567 A

Dear Mr. Snuffy:

Certificate of Eligibility

This certifies that you are entitled to benefits for an approved program of education or training under the Dependents' Educational Assistance (DEA) program.

Chapter 1606: Montgomery GI Bill - Selective Reserves

Institutional Training

- Pays a stipend to the student; does not cover tuition and fees

Rates as of 1 Oct 2023

- Full-time → \$466/month
- $\frac{3}{4}$ time → \$349/month
- $\frac{1}{2}$ time → \$233/month
- Less than $\frac{1}{2}$ time → \$116.50/month

Federal Tuition Assistance

\$250 per credit hour, up to \$4,500 per academic year

Steps to take

- Submit Tuition Assistance approval form

Where

- [Third Party Billing \(tpbill@gmu.edu\)](mailto:tpbill@gmu.edu)

When (Deadline)

- The first day of classes

Example out-of-pocket costs for in-state students

- *Not including course-specific fees.*

Credits	Tuition + MSF	TA	Out-of-Pocket
1	\$542.25	\$250.00	\$292.25
6	\$3,253.50	\$1,500.00	\$2,503.50
12-16 (flat rate)	\$6,507.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,507.00

Resources for Success

Where to Go When You Need Assistance

Applying for Benefits

Veterans Affairs

www.va.gov

Veteran completes the application for initial benefits (VA Form 22-1990)

GI Bill FAQs

Veterans Affairs

www.gibill.va.gov

VA Benefits Admin

Veterans Affairs

www.ebenefits.va.gov

Transferring Benefits

Department of Defense

www.defense.gov

GI Bill & Academic Planning @ Mason

Office of Military Services

www.military.gmu.edu

FERPA

****not the same as Authorized User in the Payment System****

- The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) is a federal law that governs the education records of eligible students. It grants students continuous access to their education records upon request, allows students to amend their records if they feel they're inaccurate, and restricts how and when their education records can be disclosed.
- When a student turns 18, or attends a postsecondary institution, FERPA rights belong to the student, not the parent.
- Mason does not release non-directory information unless a student has provided consent, the release is to the parent of a dependent student, as required by § 23.1-1303.B.5 of the Code of Virginia, or the disclosure meets a qualified exception under FERPA.



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FERPA Consent to Release Student Information - online form	All Students	For students to grant the University permission to release FERPA protected student information to a third party
Grade Change Request for Faculty	Faculty	For use by faculty to initiate grade change requests for

***Complete this Mini-Assessment
to let us know about your
experience:***



<https://bit.ly/Summer2024MicroAssessment>

