The following outlines the steps necessary to activate and certify Veteran Education Benefits. Please follow the steps and make sure you complete all of the requirements applicable to you.

- □ 1. Follow the Veterans Services Checklist.
- 2. Apply for Veterans/Dependent Education Benefits (VONAPP) by going to http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov
- □ 3. Complete the appropriate VA Benefit paperwork based on your <u>applicant status</u> and <u>chapter</u>.

New Applicants: Identify the appropriate chapter and complete the form listed.	
CHAPTER	FORM
30, 33, and 1606 : Active Duty & Reserve	22-1990
31: Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Vet Success Program- VR&E	28-1900
33: Transfer of Entitlement	28-1900E
35: Survivor & Dependent Education Assistance	22-5490
*1607: REAP - Please go to http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/reap.asp to learn more.	22-1990
Previous Applicants: Identify the appropriate chapter and complete the form listed.	
CHAPTER	FORM
30, 33, and 1606 : Active Duty & Reserve	22-1995
31: Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Vet Success Program- VR&E	Contact Case

*1607: REAP - Please go to http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/reap.asp to learn more. 22-1995

Important Reminders when completing VA Benefit paperwork.

- Forms can be found by going to this link <u>http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/handouts_forms.asp</u> and selecting VA Education Forms.
- List Clovis Community College (CCC 10309 N. Willow Ave. Fresno CA 93730) as school of attendance.
- Print a copy of your confirmation page and to submit to the CCC Veterans Counselor. If you are unable to provide a confirmation page please submit VA form 22-1995.
- If you are a recipient of Vocational Rehabilitation and Assistance/Chapter 31, contact your Case Manager for proof of eligibility (form 28-1905)
- If you are using Chapters 30, 1606, or 1607; you are required to verify your enrollment with the VA on monthly basis. Do this no sooner than the last calendar day of each month.
- 4.Complete the Information/Agreement Form at http://www.cloviscollege.edu (click the blue highlighted word)
- 5. Request Official Transcripts: Have all transcripts sent to Clovis Community College from all colleges, trade schools, and universities you have attended. (Clovis Community College: Evaluations, 10309 N. Willow, Fresno CA 93730). The following are resources for requesting Military Transcripts:
 - Army, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard request online at https://jst.doded.mil
 - Air Force request online at http://www.au.af.mil/au/ccaf/transcripts.asp
- 6. A copy of your DD-214 member 4 (*NOT* applicable for Dependent/Survivor Education Assistance applicants)
- □ 7. For <u>Selected Reserve/Chapter 1606</u> applicants: Must submit a copy of your Notice of Basic Eligibility (NOBE) which can be obtained from your unit
- □ 8. Meet with the Veterans Counselor to complete the Veterans Student Education Plan and submit Veterans Educational Benefits packet for review/certification.



Process, Chapter Descriptions, & Resources

Student Services Form

VETERANS EDUCATION BENEFIT PROCESS (VEB)

- 1. Student completes the VEB Packet, meets with a Veterans counselor, and submits all required paperwork (VEB Packet) to the Veterans counselor.
- 2. The Veterans counselor submits the VEB Packet to the VEB Certifier.
- 3. The VEB Certifier will review the VEB Packet and enters information into the database for submittal. If there is any missing information or documents the VEB Certifier will notify the student.
- 4. If notified, the student is responsible for submitting any missing information or documents to the VEB Certifier.
- 5. Once all information and documents are obtained by the VEB Certifier, the VEB Certifier will submit information, verify the student is enrolled in appropriate coursework, and finalize certification of the students Veterans Education Benefits. Once submitted Clovis Community College has completed their responsibility.

DESCRIPTIONS OF VETERANS EDUCATION BENEFIT CHAPTERS

Chapter 30: Montgomery GI Bill (Active Duty): The MGIB program is available to veterans who served on active duty contributed \$1,200 to the MGIB during their first 12 months of active duty service. Generally, benefits are payable for 10 years following release from active duty.

Chapter 31: Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment (VR&E): Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment is for veterans who have a service-connected disability. To receive services, a veteran must be found both eligible and entitled after applying and meeting with a VR&E Case Manager.

Chapter 33: Post 9/11: The Post-9/11 GI Bill provides financial support for education and housing to individuals with at least 90 days of aggregate service on or after September 11, 2001, or individuals discharged with a service- connected disability after 30 days. You must have received an honorable discharge to be eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill. *Please, apply for financial aid at www.fafsa.ed.gov

Chapter 33: Transfer of Entitlement- Post 9/11: The Post-9/11 GI Bill allows service members (officer or enlisted, Active Duty or Selected Reserve), on or after August 1, 2009, to transfer unused education benefits to immediate family members (spouse and children). The service member must have at least six years of service, and commit to an additional four years of service in order to transfer benefits to a spouse or child. Because of the potential impact of this benefit on recruiting and retention, transferability policy is determined by the Department of Defense (DoD) and the military services.

Chapter 35: Survivor & Dependent Education Assistance: DEA provides education and training opportunities to eligible dependents of veterans who are permanently and totally disabled due to a service-related condition, or who died while on active duty or as a result of a service related condition. The program offers up to 45 months of education benefits.

Chapter 1606: Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserve: The MGIB-SR program may be available to you if you are a member of the Selected Reserve. The Selected Reserve includes the Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve and Coast Guard Reserve, and the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard.

Chapter 1607: Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP): REAP was designed to provide educational assistance to members of the Reserve components called or ordered to active duty in response to a war or national emergency (contingency operation) as declared by the President or Congress. This program makes certain reservists who were activated for at least 90 days after September 11, 2001 either eligible for education benefits or eligible for increased benefits.

College Fee Waiver for Veterans' Dependents Program: To be eligible student must be a dependent child, spouses or unmarried surviving spouses of a service - connected disabled or deceased veteran.

VETERAN EDUCATION BENEFIT RESOURCES

Questions about your benefits and address change: 1-888-442-4551 or www.gibill2.va.gov

Monthly Enrollment Verification: 1-877-823-2378 or https://www.gibill.va.gov/wave

To Report a Change in your Enrollment: 559-325-5263 or email natalie.minas@scccd.edu

Direct Deposit: 1-877-838-2778 • Vocational Rehab. & Employment: 1-800-827-1000 • Debt Management: 1-800-827-0648

Learn more about Veterans Education Benefits at www.benefits.va.gov and select Education & Training