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Educational Benefits

Simplified for our Veterans



INTRODUCTION

As a recently transitioned veteran, I realize that using your benefits can be confusing; I have made this free pamphlet breaking down using your benefits when transitioning for education. This is a very brief guide on using your benefits; please get in touch with us should you have any questions. Benefit information is on page two.

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See page two for information on educational benefits.

GI Bill

The GI Bill has two types actively in use, the Montgomery GI Bill, and the Post 9-11 GI Bill. The one you most commonly hear of is the Post 9-11 GI Bill, the Montgomery GI Bill has monthly contributions you make that will appear on your Leave and Earnings Statement (LES).

1. Post 9/11 GI Bill

The Post 9/11 GI Bill provides the full tuition and fees for a state school for whichever state you are attending school in, as well as a basic housing allowance equivalent to the rate of an E-5 with dependents. Although this may not be enough to afford a private school, there are various programs, such as the Yellow Ribbon Program that will cover the rest.

2. Montgomery GI Bill

Montgomery is different from the Post 9-11 GI Bill in two major ways: Benefits can pay for programs such as college or technical courses, flight training and apprenticeship/job training; as opposed to solely college and there is a \$600 buy in.

Applying for the GI Bill

Applying for the GI Bill can be extremely confusing, however it is a relatively easy process.

1. Before applying for the GI Bill, whether it be Montgomery or Post 9/11, you must be admitted or accepted to the college or program you intend on taking.
2. After being admitted to the program, go to (ebenefits.va.gov).
3. Click educational benefits under the apply tab.
4. This will take you to a page detailing exactly how to apply online for the GI Bill.
5. After receiving your approval for the GI Bill in the mail, you will have to send that and various other documents to the veterans officer of your program or school; if they do not have one, their tuition department can handle it if it is a GI Bill approved program. These documents vary but will generally include your GI Bill eligibility letter, and DD214 at a minimum.

Things to Remember:

There are certain GI Bill eligibility requirements, which can be found at (<https://www.va.gov/education/eligibility/>).