Veteran Educational Benefits

Can I use my VA Educational benefits at CCU?

Yes, CCU is approved by the State Approving Agency for education of active duty service personnel, veterans, and their eligible dependents. We have students using Post 9/11 benefits, Dependent benefits, Vocational Rehabilitation and other “chapters” of GI Bill benefits. The Registrar serves as the Certifying Official for CCU.

What forms do I need to submit to receive my education benefits?

- **If you have never applied** for Educational Benefits, you will need the following:
  1. VA 22-1990 Application for Educational Benefits
  2. Either
     - DD-214 Discharge Papers (Certified Copy)
     - DD-2384 Notice of Basic Eligibility (NOBE) for members of Selective Reserve (See your Commanding Officer to apply for this document.)

- **If you have previously applied** for educational benefits, you will need the following:
  1. VA 22-1995 Request for a Change of Location or Place
  2. Either
     - DD-214 Discharge Papers (Certified Copy)
     - DD-2384 Notice of Basic Eligibility (NOBE) for members of Selective Reserve (See your Commanding Officer to apply for this document.)

Where do I find forms VA 22-1990 or VA 22-1995?

VA forms and information can be found online at [http://www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov). You can submit some forms online. The VA website generally works better using Explorer.

Are there other documents I must provide to the Registrar’s Office?

- ** Forms VA 22-1990 or VA 22-1995 should be sent directly to the VA. Copies of the forms should be submitted to the Registrar’s Office.
  - You should also provide a copy of your eligibility letter once you receive one.

Do I have to be enrolled full time?

No but benefits will be pro-rated based on enrollment status and some benefits may not be available if you are less than full time.
How much will I get paid?
This will be determined by the VA and will be explained in your eligibility letter from the VA.

When will I get paid?
Once your paperwork is filed and the Registrar's Office certifies your enrollment you will begin receiving monthly checks. When your first check will arrive depends on how early you apply and when CCU certifies your enrollment. You will receive back pay from the first day of the semester if your checks do not begin at the start of the term.

Will my benefits cover books, supplies, and living expenses?
This will be determined by the VA and will be explained in your eligibility letter from the VA.

Does the money come to me or to CCU?
This depends on what type of educational benefits you are receiving from the VA. The VA designates different categories as “Chapters.” Each chapter has different qualification regulations and payment amounts and methods. Which “Chapter” you are in depends primarily on when and how you served.

- For Post 9/11 (Chapter 33) and Vocational Rehab (Chapter 31) the school will receive a check from the VA that pays the covered portion of your tuition and other applicable educational expenses. CCU will apply the expected amount of VA payment to your student account as Anticipated Payment until the check arrives. You will need to make payment arrangements with Enrollment Services for any portion that is not covered by the VA. You will receive a check for any living or housing allowance you qualify for.
- For other Chapters you will receive a check from the VA that you can use at your discretion. You will need to make payment arrangements with Enrollment Services for the full amount of your educational charges.

How long do I have to use my benefits?
The specific time allowed will be determined by the VA. Usually students have 4 years of benefits that must be used within 10 years from the date of separation from the military.

Do I have to notify anyone each semester I want to use my benefits?
Yes. You must notify the Registrar’s Office each semester that you want to use your educational benefits. You can do this through an email to Registrar@CCUniversity.edu each time you register for classes. The earlier you register and notify the Registrar’s Office of your desire to use your benefits, the sooner you will begin receiving payments from the VA.

Also, the VA requires students in certain “Chapters” to verify attendance on a monthly basis. You should consult the VA website to determine if this applies to your situation.

Detailed answers to some of these questions can only be provided by the VA. You can research your questions by calling the VA at 1-888-442-4551 or visit the US Department of Veterans Affairs website http://www.gibill.va.gov.

For more information, please contact the Registrar’s Office at 513-244-8170 or Registrar@CCUniversity.edu.