

# VETERANS EDUCATION BENEFITS RESOURCE GUIDE

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# **EMBRY-RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIVERSITY**

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This guide was published in March 2014, and was correct at that time. Future federal or state legislation that may alter program requirements and/or university policy will not therefore be reflected. Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University adheres to the principle of equal education and employment opportunity without regard to race, handicap, sex, age, color, creed, or national origin. This policy extends to all programs and activities involving or supported by the university.

On behalf of the University, we take this opportunity to thank you for your service to our country and for choosing Embry-Riddle to fulfill your educational goals; we hope that your experience with our institution is a rewarding one.

Our mission is to provide, facilitate, or coordinate programs and services to meet the needs of veterans, service members, dependents, and survivors of veterans in order to ease the transition to college life and fulfill their educational goals.

The office is staffed with qualified counselors who provide a broad range of services; foster peer connections; coordinate university and community support; assist in resolving problems that may arise in the student's relations with the University and/or the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA); provide general and specific information about all benefits available to men and women who are serving or who have served in the armed forces; report enrollment information to authorize appropriate allowances; and provide other advisory counseling and referral services.

The purpose of this guide is to provide information on topics you need to be aware of and answer some of the questions you may have. It is important to adhere to the information contained in this guide to insure accurate reporting of training time; and accurate, timely certifications and payments.

# **APPLICATION FOR VETERANS EDUCATION BENEFITS**

VA applications are designed to obtain the data necessary to determine eligibility for educational assistance benefits for particular educational objectives. You are encouraged to visit the <u>GI Bill</u>® website at <a href="http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/">http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/</a>

The application and required forms vary according to the type of benefits and to the circumstances. Refer to the matrix on pages 14-18 to determine which forms apply to you.

Students should apply online using the Veterans On-Line Application (<u>VONAPP</u>): <a href="https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal">https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal</a>. Print a copy for your records. Students will receive an automated email identifying which Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) Regional Processing office received and downloaded the application.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY (COE)**

Once the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) has received the application and all necessary supporting documents, the claim will be processed and a file number established (usually the Social Security number) Veterans, service members, and eligible dependents will receive notification of this action in the form of a Certificate of Eligibility (COE). The Chapter 33 COE will indicate the level of eligibility percentage. Be sure to provide the ERAU Veterans' Program Administrator (VPA) on campus with a copy of the COE.

#### **AWARD LETTER**

The Award Letter is an official written notice from the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) sent to the student.

The Award Letter will provide the monthly rate of payment, the inclusive dates of payment, and remaining entitlement at the end of each award period.

Students are required to provide the ERAU Veterans' Program Administrator (VPA) on campus with a copy of the VA Award Letter received each semester.

# **eBENEFITS**

Students are encouraged to set up an <u>eBenefits</u> account at <u>https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal</u>. With a Premium (Level 2) DS Logon Account, Veterans are able to apply for veterans' benefits online (VONAPP), access VA payment history, access a copy of a current education benefits award letter, apply for VA home loan certificate of eligibility, check on compensation and pension status, and more.

# **ENROLLMENT CERTIFICATION**

The ERAU Veterans' Program Administrators (VPA) use an online certification of enrollment (VA-Once) to report all pertinent information concerning your enrollment to the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA). This reduces the manual time needed to prepare forms, eliminates mail time, and provides the immediate receipt by the DVA. It takes approximately six to eight weeks for the DVA to process initial enrollment claims and approximately 30 days to process re-enrollments.

Students must request certification by submitting a VA Registration Intent form to the VPA on campus. Forms are available in the office, on Ernie (<u>Student Services</u>) or on the <u>MyVETS website</u>: <a href="http://www.erau.edu/veterans/docs-forms.html">http://www.erau.edu/veterans/docs-forms.html</a>.

# STUDENT VERIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

Students receiving Montgomery GI Bill®, Chapter 30, 1606 or 1607 education benefits <u>must</u> verify their enrollment monthly to the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) in order to receive payment. Benefits are paid after each month of school is completed. Verification should be done beginning on the last day of the month by using <u>Web Automated Verification of Enrollment (WAVE) https://www.gibill.va.gov/wave/index.do</u> or by calling toll free 1-877-823-2378. Both of these services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Students must be currently enrolled in some form of approved education program and have a current or active benefit award in the VA system. If these conditions are not met, there will not be a record in the WAVE system.

# GI BILL®

# **POST 9/11 (CHAPTER 33)**

Chapter 33 benefits can include payment of tuition and fees, a monthly housing allowance, a stipend for books and supplies, college fund ("kicker") payments, a rural benefit payment, and a Yellow Ribbon benefit. Chapter 33 differs from other education Chapters in that each type of payment is issued separately, with some payments made directly to the school and others directly to the student.

#### **Tuition and Fees**

The tuition and fees payment is paid directly to the school on behalf of the student after the school's enrollment certification is processed. For those attending at a private Institution of Higher Learning, net charges of tuition and fees are paid up to the annual cap amount and prorated by the student's benefit level. (See current <u>annual cap rate</u> at): <a href="http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/resources/benefits">http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/resources/benefits</a> resources/rates/ch33/Ch33rates080113.asp

# **Certificate of Eligibility (COE)**

Post 9/11 – Chapter 33 COE must be submitted to the ERAU Veterans' Program Administrator (VPA) for proof of level of eligibility and months of entitlement.

#### **LEVEL OF ELIGIBILITY TIER CHART**

Post-9/11 Member serves after 9/10/01	Percentage of Maximum Benefit Payable
At least 36 months	100%
At least 30 continuous das on active duty and discharged due to service-connected disability	100%
At least 30 months, but less than 36 months	90%
At least 24 months, but less than 30 months	80%

Post-9/11 Member serves after 9/10/01	Percentage of Maximum Benefit Payable
At least 18 months, but less than 24 months	70%
At least12 months, but less than 18 months	60%
At least 06 months, but less than 12 months	50%
At least 90 days, but less than 06 months	40%

# **Monthly Housing Allowance:**

Monthly housing allowance benefits are prorated based upon rate of pursuit, rounded to the nearest multiple of 10. (See training time chart page 13).

#### Example:

If you are enrolled in 9 credits (when 12 credits is full time), your rate of pursuit is .75 and you will receive 80% of the applicable Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) rate.

If you are enrolled in 10 credits (when 12 credits is full time), your rate of pursuit is .83 and you will also receive 80% of the applicable BAH rate.

Housing allowance is paid directly to the student and is issued monthly in arrears. For example, you receive the November payment in December. Housing stipend is not payable to Active Duty Service Members.

#### **Book Stipend**:

Individuals may receive a stipend for up to \$1,000 a year for books. The book stipend is paid to the student at the beginning of the semester, at the rate of \$41.67 per credit hour (100% tier) up to a yearly total of 24 credits (rate based on eligibility tier).

#### **The Yellow Ribbon Program:**

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University has entered into an agreement with the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) to participate in the Post 9/11 Yellow Ribbon Program (YRP) to fund the tuition and fees cost that exceeds the annual cap amount.

The DVA will match each dollar amount the school contributes, up to 50%. The combined school and VA contribution cannot exceed the tuition and fee amount charged the student.

The Yellow Ribbon Program payment is paid directly to the school on behalf of the student when the school's enrollment certification is processed.

- Only individuals entitled at the 100% benefit level may receive Yellow Ribbon funding
- Students who served at least 36 months or more on active duty
- Students who served at least 30 continuous days on active duty, and were discharged due to serviceconnected disability
- Transfer of Entitlement dependent (TOE) of a service person or veteran eligible at the maximum benefit rate (100%)

The following are **not** eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Program

- Active Duty personnel
- Spouses of Active Duty personnel using transferred entitlement
- Fry Scholarship recipients

Refer to the Yellow Ribbon Application and Agreement Form for current year award amount.

# **Transfer of Entitlement (TOE) Under Chapter 33:**

The Department of Defense (DoD) is authorized to allow individuals who, on or after August 1, 2009, have served at least 6 years in the Armed Forces and who agree to serve at least another 4 years in the Armed Forces to transfer unused entitlement to their dependents (spouse, children). The DoD may, by regulation, impose additional eligibility requirements and limit the number of months transferable to not less than 18 months.

#### Kickers and Buy-Up:

Eligible individuals will receive payments for Chapter 30 and Chapter 1606 kicker payments on a monthly basis.

Kicker is included with the monthly housing allowance regardless of the rate of pursuit.

Chapter 30 and 1607 additional contribution (\$600 Buy-up) is not payable under Chapter 33.

# Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship

Children of an active duty member of the Armed Forces who has died in the line of duty on or after September 11, 2001, are eligible for this benefit.

# Eligible children:

- Are entitled to 36 months of benefits at the 100% level
- May use the benefit until his/her 33<sup>rd</sup> birthday
- Are **not** eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Program
- Full tuition and fees are paid directly to the school.
- Receive a monthly housing allowance
- Receive a books and supplies stipend

# VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION & EMPLOYMENT – (VR&E) CHAPTER 31

A veteran may be eligible for Chapter 31 benefits if he or she:

- Received or will receive, a discharge under other than honorable conditions;
- Incurred or aggravated a service-connected disability on or after September 16, 1940, which entitles them to Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) disability compensation and
- Is in need of vocational rehabilitation because his or her disability creates an employment handicap.

Entitlement for these services is determined on an individual basis following an evaluation of the veteran's unique interests, aptitudes, education, work experience, and vocational abilities.

Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment (VR&E) may be provided for up to 48 months. An eligible veteran generally has 12 years from the date he/she is notified of entitlement to DVA compensation in which to use these benefits. The DVA may approve an extension of time and/or length of training in certain cases.

Contact the nearest DVA office at 1-800-827-1000 to obtain detailed information. To apply complete Form 28-1900, *Disabled Veterans Application for Vocational Rehabilitation* online using veterans' on-line application (VONAPP): <a href="https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal">https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal</a>. Print a copy for your records.

#### **COOPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Cooperative Education (Co-op) is a method of instruction by which students may alternate periods of full-time school attendance and full-time on the job training. This can be done in one of two ways:

- 1. **Over a period of two terms, a student may** alternate full-time school attendance with full-time on the job training on a term basis OR
- 2. **Parallel co-op a student attends school half time** and works half time during one term. The combination must equal full-time.

# **STUDY ABROAD**

Provided the Study Abroad Program applies to the student's degree program, including electives, VA will pay all customary tuition and fees that an on campus, stateside student would pay, (e.g., health fee, lab fees, etc.). VA will **not pay** fees directly related to Study Abroad such as a transportation fee generally air fare, room, board, etc.

#### **FLIGHT COURSES IN A DEGREE PROGRAM**

# Post 9/11 - Chapter 33

Chapter 33 benefits will pay for the flight course credit hour cost, but the Annual Cap + Yellow Ribbon is **not** sufficient to pay for flight fees. Therefore, students are responsible for paying flight activities at the time each activity is attempted. Consult with your Veterans' Program Administrator (VPA) and refer to the Flight Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) available at the office, on Ernie (Student Services) or on the website: <a href="http://www.erau.edu/er/veterans/documents">http://www.erau.edu/er/veterans/documents</a> forms.html.

# **All Other Chapters**

The ERAU VPA will certify flight courses <u>after</u> the course is completed and a grade is received. Please be aware that if you are registered for 12 credit hours and 6 of those credit hours are for flight courses, your enrollment will only be certified for half-time training until you have completed your flight courses. The Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) will be notified and the student will be paid retroactively.

# **TUTORIAL ASSISTANCE**

Tutorial assistance may be paid to eligible veterans enrolled at least half time and receiving benefits under Chapters 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 1606 & 1607. Tutorial assistance aids the student in defraying tutorial expenses and will be paid to reimburse reasonable charges by a tutor. To qualify, you must have a deficiency in a subject making tutoring necessary. The maximum amount payable is \$100 a month with a maximum benefit of \$1200. A charge to entitlement will be made for assistance received in excess of \$600 by Chapter 30, 31, 33, 1606 and 1607.

## **TUTORING**

The Daytona Beach MyVETS office offers free tutoring by Veterans to Veterans, service members and their dependents.

# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS WORK STUDY PROGRAM

VA Students enrolled ¾ time or more and training under Chapters 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 1606, 1607 and Section 903 may be eligible for employment on a part-time basis. The Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) will pay a non-taxable allowance equal to the prevailing Federal or State minimum wage, whichever is higher.

Work-study services may be performed at VA Regional Offices, educational institutions, VA medical facilities, VA National Cemeteries and certain other organizations approved for Outreach activities.

There are limited positions available at the ERAU Offices. These positions and other on and off campus positions are advertised through the campus Student Employment Office.

Chapter 1606 & 1607 Work-study students may perform work on Department of Defense Facilities, e.g., military bases, reserve centers and National Guard facilities, that relates to Chapter 1606 & 1607 programs.

#### **CHANGES IN STUDENT STATUS**

All students receiving VA education benefits are required to inform the Veterans' Program Administrator (VPA) of **ALL** of the following changes:

- Periods of enrollment
- Audits and withdrawals
- Change of degree programs including minors and natural progression from Bachelors to
- Masters
- Catalog changes
- Address changes
- Change in dependents applicable to those eligible for CH 34/30
- Course substitutions (approval must be obtained prior to enrolling in course)
- Intra-University Transfer
- Supplemental Enrollments
- Repeating Courses

# **SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS**

All students receiving Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) education benefits are required to maintain satisfactory academic progress according to published standards established and enforced by the university.

Title 38, United States Code, Sections 3474 and 3524 requires that education assistance benefits to veterans and other eligible persons be discontinued when the student ceases to make satisfactory progress toward completion of his or her training objective. Accordingly, benefits will be interrupted for:

- Undergraduate students who remain on academic probation for two consecutive semesters.
- Graduate students who are subject to dismissal.

The ERAU Veterans' Program Administrator (VPA) will discontinue certification and will inform the DVA of this action. The DVA determines whether or not payments will be terminated and the conditions for reinstatement of benefits. Students have a right to appeal.

# **DOUBLE MAJOR, DUAL DEGREES AND MINORS**

Students may be paid for enrollment in dual majors provided both majors are related to the same career field. Contact the Veterans' Program Administrator (VPA) prior to registering for courses in a Dual Degree.

#### **AUDITS, REPEATS, WITHDRAWALS & NON-REQUIRED COURSES**

The VA will **not** authorize payment for:

- Withdrawals/drops
- Audits
- Courses that are not applicable to a declared degree objective
- Courses for which a grade assigned is not used in computing requirement for graduation.
- Repeating a course for which a grade of "D" or better (unless a higher grade is required).

**Note:** Payment will be authorized for repeating required courses for which a failing grade was received.

#### **REMEDIAL, DEFICIENCY & REFRESHER**

<u>Remedial</u> and <u>Deficiency</u> courses are typically intended to assist individuals in overcoming weaknesses in particular areas of study at the secondary school level. Often, institutions will require the completion of certain deficiency courses without granting credit toward graduation. Basic English language or mathematics courses are authorized only when the need for training has been established by accepted testing methods.

<u>Refresher</u> courses are courses which will permit the student to update knowledge and skills or be instructed in the technological advances, which have occurred in the individual's field or employment during or after active duty.

**Ch 30, 32, 33 & 1607** participants: The student's entitlement will be charged for pursuit of these types of training.

**Ch 30 with Ch 34 eligibility**: Veterans are not charged entitlement for remedial and deficiency courses. However, in-service/active duty students are charged entitlement.

**Ch 35**: Person eligible under Chapter 35 is entitled to benefits for pursuit of remedial and deficiency courses without a change to entitlement for the first five months of full-time pursuit of a program (or the equivalent in part-time educational assistance) consisting of such courses. Refresher training is not available to persons under Chapter 35.

**Ch 1606**: Refresher, remedial and deficiency courses are payable. Entitlement is charged.

**Sections 901 and 903**: Benefits for refresher, remedial and deficiency courses are not payable for training under Section 901. Section 903 students may receive refresher training.

#### SECONDARY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

(Guest Students)

Students enrolling in courses through a secondary (guest) institution who wish to use their VA education benefits must first obtain approval from the Records and Registrations Office on campus. The secondary (guest) school must be approved by the Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) to participate in the education programs, and all courses must be required for completion of the student's Embry-Riddle degree. The secondary school will certify the enrollment as a guest student. The secondary enrollment certification must be sent to the DVA Regional Processing Office that has jurisdiction over your campus location.

The DVA requires the university to have transcripts for secondary enrollments no later than the second term (or 8 months whichever occurs first) following the term in which the course(s) is completed.

If transcripts are not received, the University is required to notify the DVA. The DVA will terminate benefits effective the last date of the enrollment. Once transcripts are received, certification of enrollment will resume.

#### **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

The major categories of financial assistance programs for undergraduates include loans, grants, scholarships and student employment. Loans from state and federal government sources or from private lenders must be repaid; however, the interest rate is usually low and the repayment period is extended. Grants and scholarships do not have to be repaid, nor does the income earned through student employment. Most of these programs are based on the financial need of the student.

Contact the Financial Aid Office at the campus for more detailed information.

#### **DIRECT DEPOSIT**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) encourages the use of direct deposit. This is the safest and fastest way to received VA education benefits. Direct deposit may be initiated by calling 1-877-838-2778 or by submitting a written request to the DVA Regional Processing Office with jurisdiction for the ERAU campus you are attending. Be sure to provide the financial institution's routing number, account number and type of account (checking or savings).

# **TUITION ASSISTANCE**

If the military service department reimburses the service member for less than 100% of the cost of tuition, VA education benefits can be paid for the remainder of the cost of the course not paid by the military. Student must contact the Education Service Office on Base for processing information.

# **DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES**

ERAU is committed to the success of all students. It is a University policy to provide reasonable accommodations to the students with disabilities who qualify for services. If you would like to request accommodations due to a physical, mental or learning disability, please contact the Disability Support Service Office on campus.

#### **Daytona Beach campus:**

386-226-7916 located on the West side of the Wellness Center – Building #20

# **Prescott campus:**

938-777-6653 located in Building 73, Haas Commons, in the Health and Wellness Center, which also provides health and counseling services.

All discussions are confidential.

# TRAINING TIME CHART

# **FALL AND SPRING SEMESTERS**

<u>UNDERGRADUATE</u> <u>GRADUATE</u>

Full time 12 or more credit hrs Full time 6 credit hrs ¾ time 9 – 11 credit hrs ¾ time 5 – 4 credit hrs ½ time 6 – 8 credit hrs ½ time 3 credit hrs 5 – 4 credit hrs 2 – 1 credit hrs Less than ½ time Less than ½ time

# **SUMMER "A" AND SUMMER "B" SEMESTERS**

Based on a 7-week summer semester

<u>UNDERGRADUATE</u> <u>GRADUATE</u>

Full Time 6 credit hrs Full time 3 credit hrs  $\frac{3}{4}$  time 1 credit hr

½ time 3 credit hrs Less than ½ time 2 -1 credit hrs

CHAPTER	CHAPTER 30 – MGIB	CHAPTER 31 – VR&E	CHAPTER 32 – VEAP
COMMON NAME	Montgomery GI Bill® All Volunteer Force	Vocational Rehabilitation	Veterans Educational Assistance Program
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	First entered active duty 7/1/85 or later and completes initial obligated period of active duty of 2 years or more or who completes 2 years of active duty and enters the selected reserves for 4 or more years.	Must have a service-connected disability rated at 10 percent or more which causes a demonstrable employment handicap.	Served on active duty for at least 181 continuous days and enlisted for the first time between 1/1/77 and 6/30/85 inclusive and signed up prior to 4/1/87 to make contributions, can dis-enroll and later re-enroll while on active duty.
DELIMITING DATE	Within ten years from the date last discharged from active duty OR the last day became entitled to this program, whichever is later.	Later of 12 years from last separation from active duty or from the date service connection is established.	10 years from date of last separation from active duty.
PROGRAMS ALLOWED	Post-secondary programs offered at an IHL or NCD; correspondence, apprenticeship, OJT, cooperative training and flight training.	Any program deemed suitable by the Vocational Rehabilitation and Counseling division.	High school (Veterans & in-service enlisted), IHL, NCD, APP/OJT correspondence, cooperative training & flight.
TUTORIAL ASSIST.	YES	YES	YES
WORK STUDY	YES	YES	YES
EDUCATION LOAN	NO	YES	NO
MISCELLANEOUS	Must possess a H.S. diploma or equivalent, veterans must have an honorable discharge. Service members pay is reduced by \$100/mo. for the first 12 months or enlistment (except for Chapter 34/30 converters). These pay reductions are not refundable under any circumstances. Officers who received commissions through the service academies or full ROTC scholarships after 12/31/76 are ineligible. (Exceptions voluntary & involuntary separations).	Eff: 8/1/11 Allows those with entitlement under Chapter 33 the option to be paid the Chapter 33 housing allowance rate for their area in lieu of the standard Chapter 31 rate.  Entitlement is up to 48 months of full time training with provisions for further entitlement if need is established.	Most veterans must complete the shorter of 24 months continuous active duty or the full period called to active duty. (Exceptions: medical, hardship, convenience of the government discharges). Service persons must complete the lesser of 6 years or the first obligated period.
APPLICATION FORM	VAF 22-1990	VAF 28-1900	VAF 22-1990
OTHER REQ'D FORMS	ERAU Intent Form	ERAU Intent Form VAF 28-1905	ERAU Intent Form

CHAPTER	CHAPTER 34	CHAPTER 35 - DEA	CHAPTER 1606 MGIB - SR
COMMON NAME	Vietnam Era GI Bill®	Dependents & Survivors Educational Assistance Program	Education Assistance for the Selected Reserve
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	Served on active duty for at least 181 continuous days, any part of which occurred between 2/1/55 & 12/31/76 inclusive, includes delayed enlistment contracts signed in 1976 for active duty in 1977.	Spouse and/or child or surviving spouse and/or child or a veteran with permanent & total service connected disability; or whose death was service connected; or who died of any cause while rated as having a permanent and total service connected disability	Enlisted: Enlisted, re-enlisted, or extended their enlistment for a 6 year period after 6/20/85.  Officer: Added 6 years to their current obligation after 6/30/85.
DELIMITING DATE	Program went out of existence on 1/1/90.	Spouse: Later of 10 years from rating of permanent and total service-connected disability or death.  Child: Later of 26 <sup>th</sup> birthday or 8 years from date eligibility established. Not to exceed 31 <sup>st</sup> birthday.	Date of separation from the Selected Reserve or 10 years from the date original eligibility began. Those who became eligible after 10/01/92, the ten year eligibility date, is changed to 14 years.
PROGRAMS ALLOWED		Spouse only: Correspondence  Spouse & Child: High School, IHL, NCDD, OJT/APP, Co-op, Farm Co- op	Post-secondary program at an IHL; Co-op training, APP/OJT Voc/Tech training program at an NCD, correspondence training, Flight training, Graduate training.
TUTORIAL ASSIST.		YES	YES
WORK STUDY		YES	YES (Includes work at a military facility)
EDUCATION LOAN		YES Spouse/surviving spouse only	NO
MISCELLANEOUS	Individuals with eligibility for Chapter 34 who were on active duty on 10/19/84, and who remain on active duty through 6/30/88 may be eligible for benefits under Chapter 30	Child is not eligible prior to 18 <sup>th</sup> birthday unless they have passed the age of compulsory education. Child may be paid for pursuit of an approved regular high school program.	Must earn a HS diploma or equivalent before completing initial active duty for training or before completing a reenlistment or extended enlistment. Until 10/1/90 a baccalaureate degree is a bar. Must enlist, re-enlist or extend reserve enlistment for a 6 year period after 10/1/90
APPLICATION FORM		VAF 22-5490	VAF 22-1990
OTHER REQ'D FORMS		ERAU Intent Form	Notice of Basic Eligibility (NOBE) (photocopy) ERAU Intent Form

CHAPTER	SECTION 901	SECTION 903	OMNIBUS DIPLOMATIC SECURITY AND ANTI- TERRORISM ACT OF 1986
COMMON NAME	Educational Assistance Test Program	Education Assistance Pilot Program (Non-Contributory VEAP)	Hostage Relief Act
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	Enlisted or re-enlisted in the Army, Navy, Air Force or Marines between 11/1/80 & 9/30/81 inclusive or entered a delayed enlistment contract during that period and entered active duty prior to 10/1/82.	Same as for Section 901 plus must not be eligible for Chapter 34.	Individuals in the Civil Service of the US and individuals who rendered personal service to the US similar to Civil Service persons who have been placed in captive status because of hostile action resulting from the individual's relationship to the US.
DELIMITING DATE	Veterans: 10 years from date of last separation from active duty.  Dependents: 10 years from date of death of the veteran; otherwise same as veterans.	10 years from date of last separation from active duty.	Former Captive: 10 years from date of release from captivity.  Spouse: The earlier of above or 10 years from date of death.
PROGRAMS ALLOWED	In-resident training offered in the US and its possessions by accredited post-secondary institutions except remedial and deficiency courses.	IHL, NCD, OJT/APP, Cooperative, Farm Cooperative, Correspondence and Flight.	ALSO see Misc. below  Same as Chapter 35.
TUTORIAL ASSIST.	NO	NO	NO
WORK STUDY	NO	YES	NO
EDUCATION LOAN	NO	NO	NO
MISCELLANEOUS	Must possess high school diploma or equivalent, must serve 24 months of active duty or full period of enlistment (DoD may add other requirements).  Participants may transfer entitlement to spouse or	Transfer of entitlement to dependents is allowed. <u>Claims are processed by the student's VARO</u> .	VARO Baltimore handles all claims processing. Application is by letter to: Director General of the Foreign Service; Dept. of State, Washington, DC 20520  NOTE: Delimiting date for Dependent Child is same as for spouse except may not
	children  Claims are processed by Waco, TX.		exceed child's 21 <sup>st</sup> birthday
APPLICATION FORM	VAF 22-8889	VAF 22-1990	SEE "MISCELLANEOUS" ABOVE
OTHER REQ'D FORMS	ERAU Intent Form	ERAU Intent Form	ERAU Intent Form

CHAPTER	SECTION 156 REPS	CHAPTER 1607 MGIB-REAP	Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship PL 111-32
COMMON NAME	Restored Entitlement Program for Survivors	Reserve Education Assistance Program	Fry Scholarship
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	Surviving spouses or children of armed forces member who died while on active duty prior to 8/13/81 OR of veterans who died of service connected causes incurred or aggravated prior to 8/13/81.	Reservists who serve on active duty on or after 9/11/01 under Title 10, USC for at least 90 consecutive days for a contingency operation. National Guard members may be eligible if they meet the above requirements and were authorized under Section 502f, title 32 USC, authorized by President of Secretary of Defense for National Emergency and are supported by federal funds	Child of a person who, on or after 9/11/01, dies in the line of duty while serving on active duty as a member of the armed forces. The definition of child includes those children who are married or are over the age of 23 years.
DELIMITING DATE	Child: Eligible from age 18 to 22.	No fixed delimiting date – Members eligible as long as they continue to participate in the selected reserve.  Members separated from disability have 10 years from date of separation.  Members called or ordered while serving in the Ready Reserve must continue to serve in the IRR.	15 years from the child's 18 <sup>th</sup> birthday but no later than the child's 33 <sup>rd</sup> birthday. This benefit cannot be used prior to the child's 18 <sup>th</sup> birthday even if the child has completed the requirements for high school.
PROGRAMS ALLOWED	Full-time training in post- secondary school.	IHL, NCD, Flight and Correspondence	Same as programs for Chapter 33
TUTORIAL ASSIST.	NO	YES	YES
WORK STUDY	NO	YES	YES
EDUCATION LOAN	NO		YES
RATES AND ENTITLEMENT	Based on Social Security Administration rate tables' claimant's earned income may be a factor.	Percentage of Chapter 30 – 3 year rates depending upon length of time served on active duty.  0 DAYS – LESS THAN 1 YEAR 80% 1 YEAR – LESS THAN 2 YEARS 60% 2 CONTINUOUS YEARS OR MORE 40%	THREE PART BENEFIT:  1. Tuition & fees paid to school  2. Housing allowance paid to student  3. Books & supplies stipend paid to student  Entitlement is 36 months of full time training or the equivalent in part time training.
MISCELLANEOUS	Program temporarily restores Social Security benefits eliminated by PL 97-35 (Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981). Regional Office having jurisdiction of the veteran's records, makes initial eligibility determination. St. Louis Regional Office processes payments.	Chapter 1606 Kickers will be paid to members who are otherwise entitled before call-up.  Disabled members released before serving 90 days or less than one year are eligible for the 40% rate, if released from Active Duty as a result of an injury or have an illness or disease incurred or aggravated in the line of duty.  Members may not use the same period of service to qualify for Chapters 1607 & 30. The member must make an irrevocable decision.	Program is effective and payments made back to 08/01/09.
APPL. FORM	VAF 21-8934 & 21-8938	VAF 22-1990	VAF 22-1990
OTHER REQ'D FORMS		ERAU Intent Form	Certificate of Eligibility (COE) ERAU Intent Form

CHAPTER	CHAPTER 33
COMMON	Post 9/11 GI Bill®
NAME	Veterans Education Assistance Act of 2008
	Served at least 30 days of continuous active duty service after September 10, 2001 and be discharged due to a service-connected disability, <b>and</b> served an aggregate of 90 days of active duty service after September 10, 2001, and –  • Honorably discharged from Armed Forces; or
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	<ul> <li>Released from Armed Forces with a service characterized as honorable and placed on the retired list, temporary disability retired list, or transferred to the Fleet Reserve or the Fleet Marine Corps Reserve; or</li> <li>Released from the Armed Forces with service characterized as honorable for further service in a reserve component; or</li> <li>Discharged or released from Armed forces for: EPTS (Existed Prior to Service)         HDSP (Hardship) or         CIWD (condition Interfered w/Duty or</li> <li>Continued to be on active duty.</li> </ul>
DELIMITING DATE	Eligible for benefits for 15 years from last period of active duty of at least 90 consecutive days. If released for a service-connected disability after at least 30 days of continuous service, will also be eligible for benefits for 15 years.
PROGRAMS ALLOWED	
TUTORIAL ASSIST.	YES
WORK STUDY	YES
EDUCATION LOAN	NO
MISCELLANEOUS	<ul> <li>A percentage as determined by length of active duty service:</li> <li>Private school academic yearly cap paid to the school;</li> <li>Yearly books &amp; supplies stipend of up to \$1,000 per year (paid to student).</li> <li>Monthly stipend equal to the basic allowance for housing (BAH) amount payable to a military E-5 w/dependents, in same zip code as school* (paid to student). Housing allowance not payable for those pursuing training at 50% or less rate of pursuit.</li> <li>Distance Learners eligible for 50% of the national average housing allowance;</li> <li>Up to 36 months of entitlement.</li> </ul>
APPLICATION FORM	
OTHER REQ'D FORMS	DD214 Member 4 (photocopy) or Certificate of Eligibility (COE) ERAU Intent Form Yellow Ribbon Application (when applicable) Flight MOU (when applicable)

# **IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION**

# DAYTONA BEACH CAMPUS VETERANS' COMMUNITY SERVICES

VA Outpatient Clinic 551 National Health Care Blvd. Daytona Beach, FL 32114	386-323-7500
OEF/OIF Case Manager 551 National Health Care Blvd. Daytona Beach, FL 32114 Jean Meetze, LCSW Jean.Meetze@va.gov	386-323-7552
VA County Veteran Service Office 250 N. Beach Street Daytona Beach, FL 32113	386-254-4646
VA Health Benefits Service Center www.va.gov/healtheligibility	877-222-VETS (8387
Daytona Beach Vet Center 1620 Mason Avenue, Suite C Daytona Beach, FL 32117	386-366-6600

#### **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

GI Bill® Benefits	www.gibill.va.gov
VA Regional Office St. Petersburg, FL (General Info: home loans, comp & pension, etc.)	800-827-1000
VA Regional Processing Office Education Claims Direct Deposit Monthly Verification of Enrollments Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment – Orlando	888-442-4551 877-838-2778 877-823-2378 407-648-6133

# **ERAU SERVICES**

Bursar	386-226-6280
Career Service	386-226-6054
Counseling Services	386-226-6035
Daytona Veterans Association	dbvetaso@erau.edu
DB Campus Information	386-226-6000
Disability Services	386-226-7916
Financial Aid Office	386-226-6300 800-943-6279
Health Services	386-226-7917
Housing	386-323-8000
MyVETS	386-226-6350

# PRESCOTT CAMPUS VETERANS' COMMUNITY SERVICES

Northern Arizona VA Health Care	928-445-4860
System	800-949-1005
Don Stallings, OEF/OIF Peer Support	928-445-4860
Specialist	Ext. 6730
Prescott Vet Center	928-778-3469
www.va.gov/rcs	
Veterans Upward Bound	928-717-7688

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GI Bill® Benefits	www.gibill.va.gov
VA Regional Office	
Phoenix, AZ	800-827-1000
(General Info: education, home	
loan, life insurance, medical care,	
burial, sexual trauma, etc.)	
Vocational Rehabilitation &	602-627-2800
Employment	
VA Regional Processing Office	
Educational Claims	888-442-4551
Direct Deposit	877-838-2778
Health Care Benefits	877-222-8387

# **ERAU SERVICES**

Cashier	928-777-3826
Counseling Services	928-777-6653
Dean of Students	928-777-3770
Disability Services	928-777-6653
Financial Aid Office	928-777-3765
Health Services	928-777-6653
Housing	928-777-3744
Prescott Campus Information	928-777-3728
Records	928-777-3808
Student Veterans Organization	928-777-6733 Building 188
Veterans Affairs	928-777-3765