

## Different GI Bills and Who Can Use It and How They Pay

- *Chapter 33 Post 9/11 – Both dependents and service member* - Tuition and Fees get paid directly to school and stipends go to student
- *Chapter 30 Montgomery GI Bill® - Active Duty – Service member*
- *Chapter 1606 – Montgomery GI Bill® - Selected Reserves – Service member actively participating in the Guard or Reserve* - Stipend goes to students, and they are responsible for paying tuition and fees
- *Chapter 35 Dependent Educational Assistance – Dependents* - Stipend goes to students, and they are responsible for paying tuition and fees
- *Chapter 31 Voc Rehab – Service member* - Voc Rehab counselor pays books, supplies, and tuition and fees and stipends go to students

## The steps the student needs to take

### **Chapter 33, 35, 1606, and 30**

1. To begin the student applies for their benefits at va.gov. It takes approximately 30 days for the VA to process the request, and then the VA mails the student a Certificate of Eligibility.
2. The student sends a copy of the Certificate of Eligibility to our office.
3. Once the student is enrolled classes, they submit a Certification Request Form. We code the student's account, so they will not be dropped for non-payment. This must be complete prior to the drop date.
  - a. Chapter 33 tuition and fees are not submitted until after 100%. Any grant or scholarship money is applied to tuition first, until the VA payment comes in. MSSC office process the VA payment first, then Student Accounts.

### **Chapter 31**

1. First, the student must apply for Voc Rehab and meet with a Voc Rehab Counselor.
2. Next, the student will send their schedule to their Voc Rehab counselor, once registered.
3. The Voc Rehab counselor creates an authorization number for the book store and the MSSC. We CANNOT see the other's authorization numbers. The counselor is the only one that has access to both numbers.
  - a. After the 100% drop date, Student Accounts bills the counselor and handles the payments.

*\*Students cannot retake courses that they have successfully passed, unless a higher grade is mandatory for graduation. To raise their GPA is not a valid reason.*

*\*Students cannot take developmental courses online.*

*\*Students cannot take excess electives (unless they are in their LAST semester before graduation). Every class must work towards degree completion.*

*\*The [School Certifying Handbook](#) is where our VA regulations are located.*

### National Guard Tuition Waiver

1. The student needs to begin with their Education Office to start the process.
2. They need to apply for Complete [FAFSA](#) and [YOUiversal](#) (through ADHE website) applications to be considered for NGTW. Also, they must have applied for the [SMART application for UA Little Rock](#).  
\*School scholarship requirement can be waived if it is their first year and they apply after the deadline.
3. They must be approved by their unit first, ADHE second, and UA Little Rock last.
4. The status of NGTW DOES NOT come through MSSC. Financial Aid is the point of contact for NGTW status questions.

### **Federal Tuition Assistance**

1. The student needs to begin with their Education Office to start the process. The student gets the FTA approved through their unit.
  - a. A student CANNOT use Chapter 1606 in conjunction with FTA.
2. The student must send the approved Tuition Assistance form to [thirdpartystudentaccounts@ualr.edu](mailto:thirdpartystudentaccounts@ualr.edu)
3. If the student has questions on their FTA status, they must contact Third Party Student Accounts.  
MSSC DOES NOT have access to this information.
  - a. Records is responsible for putting the final grade into the military branch's system when the semester is complete.