

Veteran Educational Benefits

After you have been accepted to CNU and before you arrive in the Fall

- **For Post-9/11 GI Bill Benefits (Chapter 33)**

- ◊ If this is the first time you will be using educational benefits, the person entitled to the benefit must apply online to VA at <http://milconnect.dmdc.mil>. The veteran will be asked to complete a 'Transfer of Eligibility' (ToE) using VA Form 22-1990.
- ◊ Upon approval of the veteran's ToE, the student must then create an account at www.vets.gov to apply to use the funds by completing VA form 22-1990e.

- **For Survivors and Dependents Educational Assistance (Chapter 35)**

- ◊ Download the application for benefits (VA Form 22-5490) from www.vets.gov
- ◊ Complete and mail application to address provided on the form
- ◊ May also apply online.

Upon arrival to CNU in the Fall

- Once approved, a 'Certificate of Eligibility' will be sent to you via mail; please submit a copy of this letter to the Office of the Registrar upon receipt.
- If you do not receive the Certificate of Eligibility prior to the beginning of the semester, you may provide a copy of your Transfer of Eligibility Benefits (TEB) approval letter (available online via the VA website), and submit the Certificate of Eligibility letter upon receipt from the VA.
- Once you register for classes you are required to complete and submit a Veteran Student Clearance form (available on our website) directly to the Office of the Registrar in order for the University to verify your enrollment to VA.
 - ◊ The Veteran Student Clearance form must be completed and submitted to our office each semester.
 - ◊ If students make any changes to their schedule after the semester begins, or changes to their program of study, they are required to notify our office.

As a CNU Captain

- **Housing:** on campus housing must be paid for up front regardless of the Chapter benefits unless the student makes prior arrangements with the Office of Student Accounts (First floor of Christopher Newport Hall)
- **Advance Payment** (available only for students using Chapter 35): provides a student with benefit payments at the beginning of a school term to help meet expenses that may come due at the beginning of the term. This must be requested 30 days prior to the start of school.
- **Study Abroad and VA Benefits:** the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has released a worksheet to clarify rules regarding Post-9/11 GI Bill payments for study abroad programs. GI Bill funds can be used to pay for study abroad only if it is a mandatory part of a student's academic program, toward tuition and fees, housing, and textbooks, but will not cover any of the costs associated with airfare, amenities, fees and host school fees, or used to pay third-party study abroad providers.
- **Tutorial Assistance:** may be paid to students under Chapters 30, 33, 35 and 1606. The student, tutor, and certifying official must complete an Application & Enrollment Certification for Individualized Tutorial Assistance (VA Form 22-1990t).

Contact Information

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VA Website: <http://www.vba.va.gov/VBA/>, VA Forms: <http://www.va.gov/vaforms/>