

	Post-9/11 GI Bill® Chap 33	MGIB-AD Chap 30	MGIB-SR Chap 1606	REAP Chap 1607	DEA Chap 35
Minimum Length of Service	90 days active aggregate service (after 9/10/01) or 30 days continuous if discharged for disability	2 yr. continuous enlistment (minimum duty varies by service date, branch, etc.)	6 yr. commitment (after 6/30/85)	90 days active continuous service (after 9/10/01)	Not applicable
Maximum # of Months of Benefits ¹	36	36	36	36	45
How Payments Are Made	Tuition: Paid to school Housing stipend: Paid monthly to student Books & Supplies: Paid to student at the beginning of the term	Paid to student	Paid to student	Paid to student	Paid to student
Duration of Benefits	Generally 15 years from last day of active duty	Generally 10 years from last day of active duty	Ends the day you leave Selected Reserve	Generally 10 years from the day you leave the Selected Reserve or the day you leave the IRR ³	Spouse: 10 - 20 years ² Child: Ages 18-26
Degree Training	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Non College Degree Training	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
On-the-Job & Apprenticeship Training	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Flight Training	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Correspondence Courses	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Licensing & Certification	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
National Testing Programs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Work-Study Program	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tutorial Assistance ⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes

1. You may receive a maximum of 48 months of benefits combined if you are eligible for more than one VA education program.
2. Spouses are generally eligible to receive benefits for 10 years. However, spouses of individuals rated total and permanent within 3 years of discharge and spouses of individuals who die on active duty are granted a 20 year eligibility period.
3. The Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) is a category of the Ready Reserve of the Reserve Component of the Armed Forces.
4. VA can pay the difference between the total cost of tuition and fees and the amount of Tuition Assistance paid by the military.