



Veterans Services

Ch. 30 – Montgomery GI Bill® Active Duty (MGIB – AD)

Eligibility:

- If you are separated from your service, you may be an eligible Veteran if you:
 - Entered active duty for the first time after June 30, 1985
 - Received a High School Diploma or equivalent (or, in some cases, 12 hours of college credit) before the end of your first obligated period of service
 - Received an honorable discharge
 - Continuously served for 3 years, OR 2 years if that is what you first enlisted for, OR 2 years if you have an obligation to serve for four years in the Selected Reserves AND entered Selected Reserves within a year of leaving active duty
 - Your eligibility ends the day you leave the Guard or Reserves
- Note: Different rules apply if you entered active duty before July 1, 1985.
- You can be entitled to receive this benefits for up to 36 months of full-time schooling (about 4 years).
- If you're eligible for more than one VA benefit, you can receive a max of 48 months between the two programs.
- For more information on eligibility, visit http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/pamphlets/ch30_pamphlet.pdf.

Payment Rates:

- Rates for completing an enlistment of three years or more:
 - Full Time (12+ credits): \$1,857/month; $\frac{3}{4}$ Time (9-11 credits): \$1,392.75/month; $\frac{1}{2}$ Time (6-8 credits): \$928.50/month; Less than $\frac{1}{2}$ Time but more than $\frac{3}{4}$ Time (3-4 credits): \$928.50/month*; $\frac{1}{4}$ Time or less (1-3 credits): \$464.25/month
- Rates for completing an enlistment of three years or less:
 - Full Time (12+ credits): \$1,509/month; $\frac{3}{4}$ Time (9-11 credits): \$1,131.75/month; $\frac{1}{2}$ Time (6-8 credits): \$754.50/month; Less than $\frac{1}{2}$ Time but more than $\frac{3}{4}$ Time (3-4 credits): \$754.50/month*; $\frac{1}{4}$ Time or less (1-3 credits): \$377.25/month
- Note: Months where you are not in school at least 28 days (January, May, August, December) the monthly benefit will be prorated for the number of days in class.
- * Tuition and Fees ONLY

Steps to Set Up Ch. 30

1. To apply visit vets.gov. Click on "Education Benefits" and then "Application Process". Click on the green button that says "Select Correct Form". There will be three short questions that you need to answer, then select the green button that says "Apply Now".
 - a. Have your DD214 and bank account information on hand; the application asks for service dates and direct deposit information in order to pay you.
2. Once you have registered for the semester, you must notify Karla Frieler, the School Certifying Official at Century College. You do this by completing the "Military Benefits Request Form" online in myCentury. This lets Century know that you intend to use benefits and that we should certify your enrollment to the VA. Once this form is submitted, Century will defer your payment due date until the end of the term.

See Page 2 for Steps to Receive Monthly Payments.

Steps to Receive Monthly Payments:

1. You must verify your attendance each month in order to continue receiving your monthly payments. You submit your verification at the end of the month to cover the month you just attended.
2. Submit verification online or by phone:
 - a. Online: Visit <https://www.gibill.va.gov/wave/index.do>
 - b. By Phone: Call 1-877-823-2378 and follow the instructions.
3. Each term that you wish to use your benefits you will need to notify the School Certifying Official (by either email or turning in a copy of your schedule for the upcoming term).