



# Veterans Services

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## Ch. 31 – Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E)

### **Eligibility:**

A Veteran must have a service connected rating of 10%, be determined by VR&E staff to have a serious employment handicap, OR a service connected rating of 20%, AND in both instances, their service connected condition needs to be presenting a significant barrier to employment in order to be entitled to services. Students who qualify *may see* additional months of benefits for schooling.

\* If you think you may qualify for this program, please [set up an appointment with the Veterans Services Coordinator](#) to discuss if pursuing this route would be beneficial over using your current GI Bill®\*

### **Steps to Apply for Ch. 31:**

You can apply one of two ways:

#### Option 1:

- Log in to your eBenefits account at <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov>
- Select "Apply"
- Select "Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Benefits"
- Apply for "Educational and Career Counseling"
- If it is determined that you are eligible, you will be invited to attend an orientation session at the nearest [VA Regional Office](#)

#### Option 2:

- Log into <http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/> and complete "VA Form 28-8832: Educational/Vocational Counseling Application"; submit it online.
- If it is determined that you are eligible, you will be invited to attend an orientation session at the nearest [VA Regional Office](#)