

## Applying and Receiving Education Benefits from Veterans Affairs

Are you the veteran?

If “no”, proceed to step A.

If “yes”, proceed to step B.

A. The Veteran will need to go to the DoD transferability application website to determine if you are eligible to receive the transferred benefits – <http://milconnect.dmdc.mil>. You will be notified once the transfer is complete. Once you have been notified of the transfer, you may complete the steps below using the information as it pertains to the student.

B. Have you applied for educational benefits from the Veterans Administration in the past?

If “no”, proceed to step 1.

If “yes”, proceed to step 5.

1. Apply for educational benefits at [www.vabenefits.vba.va.gov/](http://www.vabenefits.vba.va.gov/). Click “I am a New VONAPP User” at the top of the screen.
2. Click “Continue” and if you are a Veteran, click “Yes, I’ll Log-in Now” and you should be able to login using your eBenefits Account. If you are a dependent of a Veteran, click “No, Create a VONAPP Account” and create an account. Dependents using Chapter 33 – Post 9/11 Benefits will use their own social security number as their VA file number.
3. Complete form 22-1990 to apply for your benefits and select the Chapter that you want to utilize.  
Chapter 33 (Post 9/11 GI Bill)                      Chapter 30 (Montgomery GI Bill)  
Chapter 35 (DEA)                                      Chapter 1606 (Select Reserves)              Chapter 1607 (REAP)
4. Processing of your application will take 4 to 6 weeks. Once the processing is complete, you will receive a certificate of eligibility.
5. You will need to provide a copy of your certificate of eligibility to the Veterans Affairs Certifying Official located in the Office of Student Accounts. If you no longer have a copy, but have attended another school and received benefits there, you may be able to get a copy from that institution.
6. Students who have received benefits at another institution MUST complete a transfer of training location form. Veterans should complete a form 22-1995. (<http://www.vba.va.gov/pubs/forms/vba-22-1995-are.pdf>) and dependents should complete a form 22-5495 (<http://www.vba.va.gov/pubs/forms/vba-22-5495-are.pdf>).
7. If you have questions, you may call 229-391-4924 or email [studentaccounts@abac.edu](mailto:studentaccounts@abac.edu).

Veteran Affairs Education Benefits Hotline: 1-888-442-4551

Open Monday – Friday 7AM – 7PM