

## Request for VA Benefits Barstow Community College

Barstow Community College Veterans Resource Center 2700 Barstow Rd. Barstow, CA 92311

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☐ Initial Enrollment (22-1999) ☐ Ad	ding/Dro	opping a course (22-1999)	b) ☐ Major Change (22-1995)				
Documentation							
INITIAL ENROLLMENT  □ Certificate of Eligibility or Confirmation Page □ Notice of Basic Eligibility (1606/1607 Only) □ Veteran's DD214 □ Updated Educational Plan □ Prior Transcripts and/or JSTs □ Parent Letter (Guest Students Only)	☐ Update ☐ Parent	G/DROPPING COURSE ed Educational Plan Letter (Guest Students Only) Transcripts and/or JSTs	MAJOR CHANGE  ☐ Updated Educational Plan ☐ Prior Transcripts and/or JSTs				
Student Information							
B Number		Legal Name					
VA Claim Number		Payee Number					
Mailing Address		,					
Phone		Email					
Semester		Program of Study					
	Benefit Information						
VETERANS		DEPENDENTS					
☐ Chapter 33 (Post 9/11 GI Bill) ☐ Chapter 30 (Montgomery GI Bill) ☐ Chapter 31 (Vocational Rehabilitation)		☐ Chapter 33 (Post 9/11 Transfer Benefits) ☐ Chapter 35 (Dependents Educational Assistance)					
Voc. Rehab Counselor Contact Information							
Name:							
RESERVISTS  □ Chapter 1606 (Montgomery GI Bill- Selected Reserve) □ Chapter 1607 (Reserve Educational Assistance Program)		GUEST STUDENTS  □CH33 □CH30 □CH31 □CH1606 □CH1607 □CH35					
		Primary School Information					
		School Name: Degree:					
		SCO Email:  Parent Letter Attached: □ YES □ NO					
Previously Attended Institutions							

## **Veterans Rights and Responsibilities**

- All necessary documents must be submitted together prior to any certifications. This includes a completed Request for Benefits, DD214, COE, NOBE, Education Plan, Parent Letter, etc.
- ❖ Official transcripts from all previously attended colleges (including military credit) must be submitted for evaluation to Admissions & Records prior to registration for the second semester.
- **Students must obtain a comprehensive education plan before submitting for benefits. If there is a change in major then it is the student's responsibility to meet with a counselor and obtain a new updated education plan. Only required courses listed on the education plan will be certified.**
- Physical Education or Health Education Courses may not be eligible for certification for students who have completed at least one year of military service
- ❖ VA will not pay for courses already successfully completed (some "D" grades are useable).
- ❖ Students using VA Benefits are responsible for reporting changes to their enrollment (adding/dropping courses or changing major) and must notify Veterans Services by submitting an updated Request for VA Benefits form. Any changes in registration may alter the payment of the VA award, and may result in an overpayment. Students will be liable for any overpayment they might receive from the Debt Management Center.
- ❖ If a student receives a grade of "F" in a course; BCC may report a drop to the VA effective the first day of the fourteenth week for 18-week courses. For short-term courses, the drop date will be 50% of class meetings. This may result in an overpayment.
- ❖ If a student is attending two schools consecutively, they are required to obtain authorization from their 'Primary School' in the form of a Parent Letter in order to be certified for benefits. If BCC is the secondary school then students will only be certified for courses listed on the Parent Letter.
- ❖ Students should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by going to <a href="www.fafsa.ed.gov">www.fafsa.ed.gov</a> and using Federal School Code 001119. Applications take 3-5 days to process and should be received by Financial Aid prior to requesting VA Benefits.
- ❖ Students using Montgomery GI Bill (Chapter 30) or Dependents Educational Assistance (Chapter 35) are responsible for paying their tuition and fees directly to the school. The VA does NOT send a separate payment. Failure to pay these fees may result in a hold being placed on the students account or reporting of the outstanding balance to the state for collection.
- Only courses listed below, and on the student's educational plan, will be certified for benefits.

Request for Certification of Courses						
Course Name	Dates	Campus	Number of Units			

By signing this for, I hereby certify that I understand all of my responsibilities as a recipient of VA Benefits as listed above. I also certify to the best of my knowledge, the above information to be true and correct.

Student's Signature	Date	
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