

Kutztown University Office of Veterans Services Fast Facts VA Chapter 33 Post 9/11 GI Bill (Transferred Education Benefits)

VA Chapter 33 General Overview

The Post-9/11 GI Bill (Chapter 33-TEB) helps you pay for school or job training. If you've served on qualifying active duty after September 10, 2001, you may qualify for the Post-9/11 GI Bill (Chapter 33).

Basic Eligibility Website:

<https://www.va.gov/education/transfer-post-9-11-gi-bill-benefits/>

- Includes instructions on how the eligible Veteran can transfer their benefits through MilConnect.

Apply

- Student must complete VA Form 22-1990e (Application for Family Member to Use Transferred Benefits) manual or online application. No deadline. The online application is processed faster.
 - Manual Application: <https://www.va.gov/find-forms/about-form-22-1990e/>
 - Online Application: <https://www.va.gov/education/apply-for-education-benefits/application/1990E/introduction>
 - Start your application without signing in if you do not have an online VA account
 - Take a screenshot of the confirmation page for future reference
- VA will process your application and reply by mail or email within 5 to 7 weeks.
- Students who are approved will receive a *Certificate of Eligibility* (COE) via mail or email.

Submit Required Forms to KU

1. Submit your COE form to KU's VA School Certifying Official (see Contact section).
2. Each semester you plan to use military benefits, submit the electronic KU Veterans Services Certification Form. KU uses this form to submit your initial certification to the VA so you can receive your first payment.
 - New Students complete form after they register for classes. Office of Veterans Services will provide instructions during Veterans Orientation.
 - Returning Students complete form after they register for classes. An email reminder is sent to students.
 - Certification form should be submitted as early as possible. (No form submission=no benefit payment. Late form submission=late benefit payment)

Contact for more information:

Office of Veterans Services veterans@kutztown.edu

Send Forms To: VA School Certifying Official peffley@kutztown.edu

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Certify Your Enrollment Monthly (Required)

1. Students must certify their enrollment monthly during the semester they are enrolled to receive their housing stipend. Benefit payments will be delayed if student does not certify.
2. Students can sign up for the VA OPT-IN text message monthly certification service through the VA Education Call Center. 888-GIBILL-1 (888-442-4551). Call between 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. CST.

Payment (VA and KU)

1. Rates: *Scroll to VA Post 9/11 GI Bill (Chapter 33) section*
https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/resources/benefits_resources/rate_tables.asp
2. VA Chapter 33 Post 9/11 GI Bill (TEB) payment is made monthly during the months the student is enrolled. Maximum payment is made for Full Time enrollment (12 credits or more).
3. The VA pays:
 - A. Tuition and Fees (up to eligibility percentage) – payment is made to the school. A courtesy credit will be made to the tuition bill for payments made to the school.
 - B. Housing and Book&Supplies (up to eligibility percentage) - payment is made directly to the student. KU cannot provide a courtesy credit to the tuition bill for payments made directly to the student. These costs must be paid by the due date using other means of financial aid.
 - Housing stipend is based on the BAH rate for KU's zip code (duty zip code) at an E-5 Pay Grade with dependents (up to the eligibility percentage). <https://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/bahCalc.cfm>
 - Book stipend is \$1,000 an academic year (up to eligibility percentage). Payment is split between academic semesters.
4. VA payments do not start until after the semester begins. The first payment is usually made 6-8 weeks after the start of the semester. You must pay all costs (any tuition & fees balances not paid by the VA, housing, meal plan) and purchase textbooks before your payment arrives. View Financial Aid options here,
<https://www.kutztown.edu/affordability/guide-to-financial-aid.html>.

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