Request for VA Education Benefits Form /Program Plan Review

Metropolitan Community College

Semester: _______________  Year: _______________  MCC ID: _______________

DO NOT SUBMIT THIS FORM UNTIL AFTER REGISTRATION IS COMPLETE

Are you currently on ‘active duty’?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

What VA education benefits are you applying for:  (choose only one)

☐ Chapter 30 (Veteran)  ☐ Chapter 1606 (Sel. Guard/Reserve)  ☐ Chapter 33 (Post-9/11 VETERAN)  ☐ Chapter 31 (Voc. Rehab.)

☐ Chapter 35 (Dependent)  ☐ Chapter 1607 (REAP)  ☐ VRAP

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Prior Universities or colleges attended (official transcripts must be received by end of 1st semester)

Current MCC Degree/Certificate

| Expected graduation semester/yr: _______________ |

I am a:

☐ New Freshman Student  ☐ New Transfer Student  ☐ Continuing MCC Student

☐ Readmitted Student (after 2 or more semesters of absence)  ☐ **Transient Student from (primary institution): _____________________________

☐ **Dual-Enrolled Student at (other institution): _____________________________

**Transient and Dual-enrolled students must provide a letter or form from their primary/other institution.

MCC terms to be certified:  Check all terms that apply and indicate the number of credit hours for each term in which benefits are requested

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Are you repeating any courses?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No  Which course(s): _____________________________

Do you require a deferment?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No  If yes, remember to complete a deferment request form

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THIS IS IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR VA EDUCATION BENEFITS

Changes in course enrollment after the last day to drop and add courses may result in the retroactive loss of benefits unless the VA finds mitigating circumstances involved in the change. Loss of benefits could revert back to the first day of the term.

You will only be paid for those courses that meet degree requirements in the educational program on file with Metropolitan Community College.

*Chapter 30, 1606, 1607 must verify continued enrollment at the end of each month of the semester by web or toll-free number to receive payment of educational benefits. Visit http://www.gibill.va.gov/wave or call 1-800-823-2378.*

Please INITIAL after reading each item:

_EACH TERM_ I must report my registration and any changes (i.e. drop/add) in my enrollment to the MCC Veterans Certifying Official in order to receive my benefits.

Initial

I must be enrolled in an approved program of study that leads to a standard degree or certificate and have all prior (official) transcripts on file at MCC by the end of my first term of enrollment. I understand that I will not be paid by the VA for classes previously passed at MCC or other institutions.

Initial

I will ensure that the classes I am taking are required by my degree program.

Initial

I understand that I must make satisfactory progress toward graduation.

Initial

I understand that counselor advisement/error is not an acceptable reason for taking classes not applicable to my program.

Initial

_PLEASE BE ADVISED:_ Since we have eight week terms, and many short courses, you should be alert to the fact that the beginning and ending dates of each individual course will affect the amount of money the VA will send you for the month. The Department of Veterans Affairs will treat each course you are enrolled in as a separate unit with its own beginning and ending date. We will report these dates to the VA so that they can determine your monthly payment according to their regulations. When a course ends, it is no longer counted by the VA as part of your enrollment, regardless of which semester it is assigned to. This is independent of Metropolitan Community College policy.

Check the box that describes you best:

☐ I have never used or applied for VA Education Benefits

☐ I have never used VA Education Benefits, but I have completed an application for VA Education Benefits

☐ I have used VA Education Benefits while attending MCC

☐ I am transferring to MCC this semester, and I have completed a 22-1995 (Ch. 30, 33, 1606, 1607), 22-5495 (Ch. 35 only), or Change of Place of Training form (please provide a copy)

* I give my permission for the school certifying official to review my educational record

By signing below, I affirm that I have read, understand, and will abide by the information above.

__________________________________________  ________________
Signature                                      Date
Ch. 33-Post 9/11 GI Bill Information and Responsibilities

**Housing Allowance:** The Chapter 33 housing allowance is **NOT** payable if you are currently active duty. If you are solely distance learning your BAH will be based on ½ the national average BAH. The housing allowance is prorated by rate of pursuit (rounded to nearest tenth)
- A ¾ time student would receive 80% of the BAH rate

**Tuition & Fees:** Chapter 33 will pay a percentage of your tuition and normal fees for courses that meet degree requirements in your educational program on file with Metropolitan Community College. The percentage is based on the time you spent on active duty after September 10, 2001. The percentage will vary from 40% to 100%. If MCC does not have a copy of your certificate of eligibility on file, you will be responsible for any tuition and fees that are incurred and will be reimbursed when the VA makes payment to MCC.

If you withdraw from or stop attending classes, you will be required to pay back the tuition and fees for those classes to the VA. DO NOT withdraw from any class or classes without talking to the veteran’s certifying official regarding the amount you will have to pay back to the VA. If you have Federal Financial Aid you may also have obligations as well. For more information regarding Federal Financial Aid please contact your campus financial aid office.

You should be aware that the ultimate responsibility for the payment of tuition and fees is YOUR responsibility. You will not be allowed to register for or attend any further terms until all your financial obligations to the college for the current term are met.

MCC is responsible to refund the U.S. Veteran Affairs in the case where a student fails to attend one class day. If a student attends at least one day of class and a refund is processed, it is the student’s responsibility to refund the U.S. Veteran Affairs.

**Book Stipend:** The book stipend will be paid to the student at the beginning of each term and will be based on your benefit percentage and the number of credit hours you are taking. Maximum payment is 24 credit hours in an academic year (fall through summer).

**Conditions:** In the event that the student is not eligible for the maximum eligibility, payment must be received by MCC unless a deferment is in place. It is the student’s responsibility to make payment within the appropriate dates.

If enrollment is terminated for any reason, the unpaid balance of tuition and fees is due and payable immediately. A student who fails to make full payment of tuition and fees, including any incidental fees, by the due date may be prohibited from registering for classes until full payment is made.

If using other education benefits (e.g. ROTC scholarship, MYCAA, etc.) you may not be eligible for certain Post-9/11 benefits. Please consult the Veterans Certifying Official for more detail.

By signing below, I acknowledge and understand my responsibilities as described above and under Chapter 33.

__________________________
Signature (Ch. 33/TOE student only)

__________________________
Date