GI Bill® Education Benefits

VA benefits may be used at Louisiana Delta Community College for degree and certificate programs, apprenticeship/on-the-job training and correspondence courses. Remedial, deficiency, and refresher courses may be approved under certain circumstances.

To apply for VA benefits online and for complete information, go to the www.va.gov. With a va.gov account, you can apply and manage VA benefits you have earned as a Veteran, Service-member, or family member – like healthcare, disability, education, pension, and more.

You may use the following benefits at LDCC:

Chapter 30 Montgomery GI Bill – Active Duty

For active duty, prior active duty, and regular reserves (two years active duty, three years active duty, or two years active duty plus four years reserves). You must have contributed to the Montgomery GI Bill upon entry into the specified branch of service or its reserve component (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard).

The MGIB provides up to 36 months of education benefits. Benefits are usually payable for 10 years following your release from active duty. Recipients receive a monthly payment based on the number of hours of enrollment each semester. Basic monthly rates increase every October. To view current rates for MGIB, go here:

https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/resources/benefits resources/rate tables.asp#Ch30.

For more information, see the Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty Pamphlet: https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/pamphlets/ch30_pamphlet.pdf

Chapter 31: VA Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E)

Veterans with a service-connected disability must be found both eligible and entitled by the VR&E to receive this service. The VR&E VetSuccess program assists Veterans prepare for, find, and keep suitable jobs by offering counseling and benefits used towards post-secondary training at a college, vocational, or technical school. You will be notified by the Department of Veteran Affairs if you meet their qualifications. For further information, go to https://www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab/.

Post-9/11 GI Bill

This education bill provides financial support for education and housing to individuals with at least 90 days of aggregate service after September 10, 2001, or those discharged with a service-connected disability after 30 days. You have generally 15 years following your release from active duty and must have received an honorable discharge to be eligible.

The Post 9/11 GI Bill provides up to 36 months of educational benefits to be paid monthly while enrolled in school. Some service members may be able to **transfer their benefits** to their dependents. See https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/post911 transfer.asp for more information. The Post-9/11 GI Bill will pay all or a portion of your tuition and fees up front. Based on your percentage of eligibility, your in-state tuition and fees will be paid by the Department of VA, directly to the school. To determine your percentage of benefit payable and for more

information on the annual book stipend, go here: https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/docs/pamphlets/ch33 pamphlet.pdf

Your Monthly Housing Allowance (monthly benefit) is determined by your duty zip code and pay grade. For details on how much MHA you will receive, go to https://www.benefits.va.gov/GIBILL/resources/benefits resources/rate tables.asp

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