

Eligibility

Veterans & Military Benefits

Educational benefits are available for veterans, family members of veterans, and active military personnel. These programs have different benefits packages and eligibility requirements. The Post 9/11 GI Bill® provides up to 36 months of education benefits to eligible service members (Active Duty, Guard and Reserve) and Veterans who have served at least 90 days on active duty since 9/10/2001. Benefits include paid tuition and fees, a stipend for books and a monthly housing allowance. Benefits are tiered based on number of days on active duty and can be transferred to spouse or family member.

Eligibility for 100% of Post 9/11 GI Bill benefits

You're eligible for 100% of the full benefit if you meet at least one of these requirements:

1. You served on active duty and were awarded a Purple Heart on or after September 11, 2001, **or**
2. You served on active duty for at least 30 continuous days and were discharged because of a service-connected disability, **or**
3. You served on active duty for at least 36 months

Eligibility for a percentage of benefits based on how long you served on active duty

If you served on active duty for less than 36 months, you're not eligible for the full Post-9/11 GI Bill benefit. Find out what percentage of the full benefit you're eligible for based on the amount of time you served on active duty:

Between 30 months and 36 months: 90% of the full benefit

Between 24 months and 30 months: 80% of the full benefit

Between 18 months and 24 months: 70% of the full benefit

Between 6 months and 18 months: 60% of the full benefit

Post-9/11 GI Bill Statement of Benefits

If you were awarded Post-9/11 GI Bill education benefits, your GI Bill Statement of Benefits will show you how much of your benefits you've used and how much you have left to use for your education or training. You'll be able to view this benefit statement only if you were awarded education benefits.

You can direct additional questions about benefit eligibility and coverage to the VA Educational Benefits line at 1-888-442-4551 or log into e-Benefits:

<https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/homepage>