GI Bill Benefits
Procedures and Guidelines

New Students
Never received GI Bill Benefits

- Send application to VA to start Educational benefits with VA Form 22-1990
- Apply to UMass Dartmouth For degree or certificate program
- Provide Certifying Official with required documentation once approved for benefits
- Contact Certifying Official when registered for class
- Verify attendance with the VA monthly

Transfer Students
Previously received GI Bill Benefits at another school
Fill out VA Change form VA 22-1995

- Apply to UMass Dartmouth for a degree or certificate
- Contact Certifying Official each semester once registered
- Verify attendance with the VA monthly

Dependent/Chapter 35

For all dependents of military member
Follow same procedure as above but use VA forms: 22-5490 or 22-5495

www.gibill.va.gov

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UMass Dartmouth required documentation:
Certificate of Eligibility for students receiving chapter 33
DD214 (Member 4) for students receiving Chapter 30, 33 & 1607
NOBE for students receiving Chapter 1606
Letter of eligibility for students receiving Chapter 35 survivor/dependents

Each Semester:

- Notify Certifying official every semester once registered. CO certifies students with the VA for the number of credits registered.
- If students don’t contact the CO, you will not be certified for benefits with the VA.
- All students (except for Chapter 33 & 35) must verify enrollment with the VA at end of each month at:
- Benefit checks will not be issued if student fails to verify attendance each month.

How to apply for benefits:

- Log onto VONAPP (Veteran’s Online Application website):
  http://www.gibill.va.gov/apply-for-benefits/application/
- VA reviews application and issues letter
- Submit copy of letter to CO

For latest info on all chapters please check http://www.gibill.va.gov/

Please contact VA directly if you have not received your checks or have questions regarding your benefits at 888-442-4551.

The Education Call Center is in Muskogee, OK, and Education Case Managers are available 7:00am to 7:00pm central time, Monday through Friday. The system’s automated functions can provide information about benefits, applications, etc., and are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Individual veterans can access their own record to obtain date of last benefit payment, check amounts, etc.

Please utilize the automated system as much as possible.

Helpful Sites:

http://www.gibill.va.gov/resources/benefits_resources/rate_tables.html
http://www.ptsd.va.gov/
http://iava.org/
http://www.accreditedonlinecolleges.org/