

# VETERANS BENEFITS

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This institution is approved to offer GI Bill® educational benefits by the Virginia State Approving Agency (<https://www.dvs.virginia.gov/education-employment/state-approving-agency/>). Students who have questions about Veteran Affairs (VA) benefits prior to admission should address inquiries to:

The Veterans Inquiry Unit at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs  
Regional Office  
210 Franklin Road S.W.  
Roanoke, VA 24011  
888/442-4551

Additional information is available from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (<https://www.va.gov/education/about-gi-bill-benefits/>).

Students who have questions about VA benefits after admission should address inquiries to the Office of the Registrar.

Under the provisions of the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act, the following individuals shall be charged a rate of tuition not to exceed the in-state rate for tuition and fees purposes:

- A Veteran using educational assistance under either Chapter 30 (Montgomery GI Bill® – Active Duty Program), Chapter 31 (Veteran Readiness and Employment), Chapter 33 (Post-9/11 GI Bill®), or an individual using Chapter 35 (Dependents' Educational Assistance Program [DEA]) of title 38, United States Code, who lives in Virginia while attending a school located in Virginia (regardless of their formal State of residence) and enrolls in the school with a period of active duty service of 90 days or more
- Any student using transferred Chapter 33 (Post-9/11 GI Bill® benefits, 38 U.S.C. § 3319) who lives in Virginia while attending a school located in Virginia (regardless of their formal State of residence)
- Any student described above while they remain continuously enrolled (other than during regularly scheduled breaks between courses, semesters, or terms) at the same school
- Any student using benefits under the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship (38 U.S.C. § 3311(b)(9)) who lives in Virginia while attending a school located in Virginia (regardless of their formal State of residence)

For students using Chapter 33 Post 9/11 GI Bill® or Chapter 31 Veteran Readiness and Employment benefits, even though VA has not yet paid tuition and fees, UMW will not prevent the student from enrolling, will not assess a late penalty fee, will not require alternative or additional funding, and will not deny access to any university resources that are available to other students that have paid. Students wishing to utilize veteran's benefits must submit a Request for VA Benefits form (<https://academics.umw.edu/registrar/requestforvabenefits-form/>) (accessible through the Office of the Registrar's website) for each term of enrollment. For Chapter 33 students, a copy of the Certificate of Eligibility will also be required; for Chapter 31 students, a copy of the Tuition Assistance form will be required.

The Virginia State Approving Agency (SAA) (<https://www.dvs.virginia.gov/education-employment/state-approving-agency/>), is the approving

*authority of education and training programs for Virginia. Our office investigates complaints of GI Bill® beneficiaries. While most complaints should initially follow the school grievance policy, if the situation cannot be resolved at the school, the beneficiary should contact our office via email at [saa@dvs.virginia.gov](mailto:saa@dvs.virginia.gov).*

*GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government Web site at <http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill> (<http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/>).*