How to Apply for the GI Bill at OSU

Application is made through Veterans Affairs. To apply, a student must be accepted and registered at The Ohio State University. A veteran student applying for benefits for the first time needs VA Form 1990 for application and may require a County Recorders certified copy of the DD214. The dependent student requires VA Form 5490 for application the first time. Chapter 1606 (Reservist and National Guard) applicants need DD Form 2384 (Notice of Basic Eligibility) along with their application. If the student has used benefits before, a Change of Place form is necessary in place of the application. These forms are available through Veterans Affairs.

Because of possible alterations to the DD214, the Department of Veterans Affairs suggests original copies of the DD214 be registered at your local county Recorder’s Office for safekeeping and for official copies to be made for future needs.

More detailed information can be found at: www.gibill.va.gov.

Veterans Affairs provides affirmative action assistance and employee relations support to faculty and staff veterans, and student financial aid to student veterans. Veterans Affairs can also answer questions managers and supervisors have about veterans and their role at the university.

Faculty and staff issues
(614) 292-7047

Veteran Student Financial Aid
(614) 292-3453

Veterans Affairs
Suite 300, 1590 North High Street
Columbus, OH 43201

(614) 292-4164
hr.osu.edu/vet/home.htm

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All veterans seeking employment at Ohio State should contact Veterans Affairs for general assistance and information. Covered veterans can self-identify for affirmative action during the hiring process. All veterans are given 20% extra credit on civil service examinations.

The University online Career Site and all required application materials are available online at www.jobs.osu.edu. Veterans should complete and submit a Veterans Self-Identification Form with the employment application in order to be considered for affirmative action consideration.

All Vietnam-era veterans, disabled veterans and other covered veterans are required to be given appropriate, pro-active consideration during the employment/promotion process. This requirement is covered by the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Act of 1974 and the Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998.

Ohio State has an Affirmative Action Policy for the employment and advancement in employment for all covered veterans.

**Affirmative Action**

**Armed Forces Medal Recipient** – a veteran who participated as a member of a unit involved in military operations of significant numbers with no foreign armed opposition or the threat of imminent hostile action.

**Disabled Veteran** - any veteran who has a 30% or more disability rating from the Department of Veterans Affairs for any period of service, or a person whose discharge or release from active duty was for a disability incurred or aggravated in the line of duty.

**Campaign Badge Holder** - a person who participated in a war, campaign or expedition (includes Vietnam Era Veterans) and received a campaign badge or expedition medal. For a complete list, please check the Federal Office of Personnel Management website www.opm.gov/veterans/html/vgmedal2.htm

**Recently Separated Veterans** - Any veteran who served on active duty in the U.S. military ground, naval, or air service during the three year period beginning on the date of such veteran's discharge or release from active duty.

Dept. of Veterans Affairs Programs

**Chapter 30 - Montgomery GI Bill** for persons who entered active military service on or after July 1, 1985

Persons separated from active duty because of a service-connected disability or hardship discharge may be eligible for Chapter 30 benefits without meeting the length of service requirements. In these cases, eligible persons would be entitled to one month of educational benefits for each month of military service.

**Chapter 1606 - Montgomery GI Bill** for current members of the Selected Reserve and National Guard

Basic eligibility extends to a person who (a) enlists, re-enlists or extends an enlistment in the Selected Reserve so that the reservist has an obligation to serve for a period of not less than six years following the date of action; (b) is appointed or is serving as a reserve officer and agrees to serve in the Selected Reserves for six years in addition to any other period of obligated service.

**Chapter 35 - Survivors and Dependents Education Assistance Program**

For qualifying spouses and children of certain veterans who died on active duty or as the result of active duty or who are totally and permanently disabled (100% due to their military service).

**Chapter 31 - Vocational Rehabilitation Training Program**

Application for this program is made directly to the VA. These veterans receive their tuition and fees in addition to a monthly allotment.