

## Post-9/11 GI Bill® Chapter 33

### 1. What Is It?

- The Post 9/11 GI Bill is an education program for Service Members who serve on active duty after September 10, 2001 and receive an honorable discharge. (Reference: Title 38 USC Chapter 33, DoDI 1341.13)

### 2. How Do I Qualify?

- Serve at least 90 days in a period of qualifying active duty on or after September 11, 2001. Qualifying Active Duty service is:
  - o Service in any active component;
  - o Title 10 U.S.C. Sections 688, 12301(a), 12301(d), 12301(g), 12301(h), 12302, 12304, 12304a, or 12304b;
  - o Title 10 AGR or Title 32 AGR;
  - o Title 32 U.S.C. Section 502(f) under a Declaration of National Emergency as follows:
    - Between Sept. 11, 2001 - May 31, 2002 under Operation Noble Eagle
    - Effective Feb. 15, 2019, in support of the Southwest Border Mission under Operation Guardian Shield
    - Effective March 22, 2020, in support of the COVID-19 Pandemic
  - o Serve in a qualifying duty status for 30 continuous days and separate due to a service-connected disability or injury;
  - o Purple Heart recipients eligible at 100% payment tier.
- Basic Training and Technical Training School can be added to qualifying time if: you have completed 24 months of other qualifying active duty; and your Basic Training and/or technical school occurred on or after September 11, 2001.
- The following service time does NOT qualify for Post-9/11:
  - o The Service Obligation from a Service Academy Contract
  - o The Service Obligation from a ROTC Active Duty Contract (Dedicated Guard only)
  - o Active Duty period receiving less than Honorable discharge.

### 3. What Do I Get?

- Tuition and Fees
  - o Up to 100% of in-state tuition if you are attending a public school
  - o Max payment of \$25,162.14 per year for a private or foreign school
- Book and Supply Stipend
  - o Up to \$1,000 per academic year (\$41.67/credit hour)
- Monthly Housing Allowance
  - o Equal to BAH rate - E-5 with dependents
  - o Based on zip code of campus where attending class
  - o MUST be attending more than half-time to qualify
  - o If attending only online classes: \$916.50
  - o AGR and Active Duty Soldiers are NOT eligible for the Housing Stipend

- Payment Tiers
  - o Payments for all three benefits are pro-rated based on your percentage tier. The book and supply stipend and MHA are also adjusted based on your enrollment (number of credit hrs).

Qualifying Time	Percentage Tier
At least 36 cumulative months, or Purple Heart Recipients	100%
At least 30 cumulative months	90%
At least 24 cumulative months	80%
At least 18 cumulative months	70%
At least 6 cumulative months	60%
At least 90 cumulative days	50%

### 3. Timeline / Expiration of Benefits

- o If your last day of qualifying Active Duty is on or after 1 Jan 13, your benefits never expire
- o If your last day of qualifying Active Duty is before 1 Jan 13, your benefits expire 15 years from your last day of Active Duty
  - You can reset your expiration date by completing another qualifying period of service of at least 90 consecutive days
  - Submit VA Form 21-4138 with your new DD214 to the VA Regional Processing Center

**For more information:**

Visit [www.benefits.va.gov/gibill](http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill)

VA GI Bill 888-442-4551

MSgt Nicola Hynek, Retention Office Manager

802-660-5211 | [nicola.hynek@us.af.mil](mailto:nicola.hynek@us.af.mil)

*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 [www.benefits.va.gov/gibill](http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill).*