

Chapter 1607: REAP

The National Defense Authorization Act of 2016 ended REAP on November 25, 2015. Some individuals will remain eligible for REAP benefits until November 25, 2019, while others are no longer eligible for REAP benefits.

The Post-9/11 GI Bill in many ways has replaced REAP because it also provides educational assistance benefits for Reserve and National Guard members called to active duty on or after September 11, 2001, and in many cases provides a greater benefit than REAP.

- **REAP beneficiaries not attending school** -- Veterans who applied for REAP but were not attending an educational institution on November 24, 2015, or during the last semester, quarter, or term ending prior to that date, are no longer eligible to receive REAP benefits. You may be eligible to receive benefits under the Post-9/11 GI Bill.
- **New REAP applicants** – Veterans who have not enrolled in school and applied for REAP benefits prior to November 25, 2015, are no longer eligible for REAP benefits. However, in most cases, you will be eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill

If you're using REAP but would like to learn how to make an irrevocable election to use the Post-9/11 GI Bill instead, please call us at 1-888-GIBILL-1 (7 a.m. – 6 p.m. CST Monday – Friday) to speak with an Education Call Center Agent.

How to apply for and use Chapter 1607 REAP benefits at Grand View University

1. **Apply and be accepted to GV**
2. **Provide to GV School Certifying Official (SCO)**
 - a. Your Certificate of Eligibility
 - Visit http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/get_started.asp to apply for benefits, if not already completed
 - b. MGIB Kicker Contract (Kicker Addendum)
 - c. **If you've used your benefits at another college or university**, complete a Request for Change of Program or Place of Training (VA Form 22-1995) and submit to the SCO
3. **Request your JST Transcript be mailed to GV Admission-** <https://jst.doded.mil/smart/signIn.do>
4. Work with an academic advisor to **register for courses** – inform the School Certifying Official once registered
5. **Verify your enrollment each month to VA** through WAVE (www.gibill.va.gov) or call 877-823-2378

How Chapter 1607 GI Bill benefits work

Benefits are based on enrollment status in school and Active Duty Service time. For trainees on active duty, payment is limited to reimbursement of tuition and fees for the training taken.

GV SCO will submit your enrollment about a month prior to the start of the semester in Fall and Spring terms (Fall and Spring are automatically certified after receipt of Certificate of Eligibility; Summer terms require annual student certification request). **Schedule changes may impact your entitlement amount, creating a debt you will be responsible to repay.**

You will receive funds based on your enrollment status in school for each term. VA standards for enrollment rates may vary from GV standards. The VA prorates payments for partial months of school. **Verify your enrollment each month to VA.**

You are responsible for paying Grand View. Please contact Student Accounts if you need to set up a payment plan.

Verify current rates here: http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/resources/benefits_resources/rate_tables.asp#ch1607

There is no delimiting date if return to unit after service (if separated after contract, 10 years), so benefits are good for as long as you are actively drilling up to 36 months of full time use.

<p>For additional information, visit http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/reap.asp or call VA – 888-442-4551. You can also "Submit a Question" through http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/index.asp</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Lyndi Flugum-Collins Military Certifying Official- Chapter 1607 Grand View University 515-263-2818 lflugum-collins@grandview.edu </p>
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