

Chapter 31: VA Vocational Rehabilitation

How to Use Chapter 31 Benefits at Grand View

The Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) Program is authorized by Congress under Title 38, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 31. It is sometimes referred to as the Chapter 31 program or VA Voc Rehab. The VR&E program assists Veterans with service-connected disabilities to prepare for, find, and keep suitable jobs. For Veterans with service-connected disabilities so severe that they cannot immediately consider work, VR&E offers services to improve their ability to live as independently as possible.

To use VA Voc Rehab at Grand View University, you must first meet with a VA VR&E counselor and be approved. You can find additional information here: <http://www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab/index.asp>

Once approved for an educational program by your VA VR&E counselor and applied/accepted as a GV student, you will:

- Request that a Joint Services Transcript or CCAF Transcript be released to GV Admission to receive credit for military training completed, as appropriate- <https://jst.doded.mil/smart/signIn.do> or <http://www.airuniversity.af.mil/Barnes/CCAF/Display/Article/803247/>
- Work with a GV academic advisor to register for classes in your program of study
- Notify the GV School Certifying Official (SCO) for Chapter 31 any time your schedule changes after your initial certification for that term
- Follow any guidance provided by your VR&E counselor

Your VR&E counselor will provide a VA Form 28-1905 (Authorization for Benefits) to GV.

The GV School Certifying Official will:

- Certify your registration to your VR&E counselor
- Notify Student Accounts that Voc Rehab will pay for your tuition

Student Accounts will:

- Set up your GV account to purchase books and supplies at the Grand View University Bookstore.
 - **Funds will be available generally 1 week prior to the start date of your classes.**
 - **Books and supplies need to be purchased by Noon on the first Friday of the term. If needs arise later in the semester, ask your VR&E counselor to notify GV if additional funds are approved.**
- Send a bill to your VR&E counselor

For more information, visit
<http://www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab/index.asp>
Or contact your VR&E counselor

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